

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

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**SENATE BILL 769\***

Short Title: Funds for AmeriCorps. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Purcell; Albertson, Atwater, Bingham, Dannelly, Holloman, Kinnaird, Lucas, Malone, and Rand.

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Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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March 22, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE AMERICORPS  
2 PROJECT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.  
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
6 Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health and Health  
7 Disparities, the sum of two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000) for the  
8 2005-2006 fiscal year and the sum of two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars  
9 (\$225,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year. These funds shall be used to provide the State  
10 match for the AmeriCorps Project awarded by the NC Commission on Volunteerism  
11 and Community Service to focus on eliminating health disparities. The initiative  
12 supports 21 full-time AmeriCorps members and makes them available to work on teen  
13 tobacco use prevention, diabetes care management and outreach, Hispanic/Latino  
14 health, American Indian health, and other public health issues. AmeriCorps members  
15 are placed in 15 locations including local health departments, community-based  
16 organizations, and educational institutions.

17 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.