

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH30710-LN-301A (3/6)

Short Title: Expand Access to Health Insurance/Children. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Insko, England, Weiss, and Martin (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN SERVED BY THE NC HEALTH CHOICE PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, the sum of ten million three hundred eighty-seven thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$10,387,650) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. These funds shall be used to provide health insurance benefits to an additional 10,683 children under the NC Health Choice Program.

SECTION 1.(b) The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, shall report to the General Assembly not later than March 1, 2009, on additional outreach strategies being implemented to enroll more eligible children in NC Health Choice.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.