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SENATE BILL 1065

Short Title: Comm. Coll. Tuition Surcharge/Scholarships. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Dalton.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO IMPLEMENT A
3 TUITION SURCHARGE AND TO USE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS TO
4 OFFSET THE COST OF A TUITION SURCHARGE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 115D of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
7 new section to read:

8 "**§ 115D-39.1. Tuition surcharge.**

9 (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 115D-39.1(a), a community college
10 may, with the approval of the State Board of Community Colleges:

11 (1) Implement a tuition surcharge of up to thirty-three and one-third
12 percent (33 1/3%) of the statewide tuition rate to fund a new
13 instructional program that is necessary to attract industry to the area,
14 and

15 (2) Use the proceeds of an endowed scholarship, consistent with the terms
16 of the endowment, to offset the cost of the tuition charge.

17 (b) All students enrolled in the new program, except for students for whom
18 tuition and registration are waived by law or regulation, shall be charged the tuition
19 surcharge. The funds collected from the endowment shall be deposited into an
20 unrestricted institutional fund account at the community college.

21 (c) This section applies only to an endowed scholarship in excess of five million
22 dollars (\$5,000,000).

23 (d) The State Board shall adopt rules to implement this section."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.