GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1500

Short Title:	Proceeds - Disposition of Dix Hospital.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Atwater.	
Referred to:	Appropriations/Base Budget.	

March 27, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ALLOCATION OF THE PROCEEDS FROM ANY DISPOSITION OF THE DOROTHEA DIX HOSPITAL PROPERTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 146-30 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(b2) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section or any other provision of law, no service charge into the State Land Fund shall be deducted from or levied against the proceeds of any disposition of the Dorothea Dix Hospital Property. The net proceeds of those dispositions shall be deposited in the Trust Fund for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and Bridge Funding Needs to be used for the purposes provided in G.S. 143C-9-2(c)."

SECTION 2. G.S. 143C-9-2(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-1-2, any nonrecurring savings in State appropriations realized from the closure of any State psychiatric hospitals that are in excess of the cost of operating and maintaining a new State psychiatric hospital shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be placed in the Trust Fund and shall be used for the purposes authorized in this section. Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-1-2, recurring savings realized from the closure of any State psychiatric hospitals shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be credited to the Department of Health and Human Services to be used only for the purposes of subsections (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all funds transferred into the Trust Fund from the disposition of the Dorothea Dix Hospital Property shall be used only to support the purposes of subdivisions (b)(1) and (b)(3) of this section that are related to persons with mental illness."

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.