

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 438

Short Title: State Health Plan/Calendar Year. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Folwell, Holliman, Blackwell, Blue (Primary Sponsors); Blust, Bryant, Cleveland, Current, Dockham, Dollar, Earle, England, Glazier, Gulley, Harrison, Hurley, Justice, Langdon, Lucas, Samuelson, Starnes, and Wray.

Referred to: Insurance, if favorable, Appropriations.

March 9, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' COMPREHENSIVE
3 MAJOR MEDICAL PLAN TO CHANGE ITS PLAN YEAR FROM A FISCAL YEAR
4 TO A CALENDAR YEAR.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.(a)** G.S. 135-45.1(21) reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 135-45.1. General definitions.**

8 As used in this Article unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following
9 definitions apply:

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11 "(21) Plan year. – ~~The period beginning July 1 and ending on June 30 of the~~
12 ~~succeeding calendar year.~~An annual period established by the Executive
13 Administrator and Board of Trustees under G.S. 135-44.2A.

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15 **SECTION 1.(b)** Part 2 of Article 3A of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes is
16 amended by adding a new section to read:

17 "**§ 135-44.2A. Plan year.**

18 (a) The plan year shall be July 1 through June 30 unless changed to a calendar year by
19 the Executive Administrator and Board of Trustees after consultation with the Committee on
20 Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits. If changed, the initial transition plan year after the
21 change may be either six months or 18 months.

22 (b) The plan year may be changed under this section only if the Plan has sufficient
23 funds available to fund the transition costs without altering premium rates and benefit levels on
24 account of the change."

25 **SECTION 1.(c)** Except in G.S. 135-44.5, the Revisor of Statutes shall delete the
26 term "fiscal year" wherever it appears in Parts 1 through 3 of Article 3A of Chapter 135 of the
27 General Statutes and substitute the term "plan year."

28 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

