## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## SESSION 1995

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HOUSE BILL 843

Short Title: Medicaid Bed-Holding.

Sponsors: Representative Warner.

Referred to: Welfare Reform and Human Resources.

April 12, 1995

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A SKILLED NURSING FACILITY RESERVE A
3	MEDICAID PATIENT'S BED FOR UP TO TEN DAYS WHEN THAT PATIENT IS
4	HOSPITALIZED.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6	Section 1. Part 6 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes is
7	amended by adding a new section to read:
8	" <u>§ 108A-62.1. Bed reservation in skilled nursing facilities.</u>
9	A skilled nursing facility shall reserve the bed for up to 10 days of any recipient of
10	medical assistance under this Part who:
11	(1) Is hospitalized for a period of time that is likely to be short-term; and
12	(2) Is likely to return to that skilled nursing facility after release from
13	hospital.
14	The skilled nursing facility shall continue to be reimbursed by the medical assistance
15	under this Part during the recipient's hospitalization, for up to the 10 days the recipient's
16	bed is reserved pending the recipient's return."
17	Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1995, and applies to bed
18	reservations made for hospitalizations occurring on or after that date.

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