GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1091

Short Title: Hep B Immuniz. Required.	(Public)
Sponsors: Senator Purcell.	_
Referred to: Health Care.	

April 15, 1999

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN CHILDREN BE IMMUNIZED AGAINST HEPATITIS B PRIOR TO ENTERING SIXTH GRADE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Effective July 1, 2001, G.S. 130A-152(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Every child present in this State shall be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, poliomyelitis, red measles (rubeola) and rubella. Every child present in this State who was born before July 1, 1994, and who has not been immunized against Hepatitis B shall be immunized against Hepatitis B before enrolling in the sixth grade. In addition, every child present in this State shall be immunized against any other disease upon a determination by the Commission that the immunization is in the interest of the public health. Every parent, guardian, person in loco parentis and person or agency, whether governmental or private, with legal custody of a child shall have the responsibility to ensure that the child has received the required immunization at the age required by the Commission. If a child has not received the required immunizations by the specified age, the responsible person shall obtain the required immunization for the child as soon as possible after the lack of the required immunization is determined."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and expires July 1, 2005.