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SENATE BILL 34

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Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted 7/26/01

Short Title: Continue State Budget. (Public) **Sponsors:** Referred to: February 5, 2001 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET TO CONTINUE EXPENDITURES FOR THE OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT AT THE LEVEL IN EFFECT ON JUNE 30, 2001, AND EXTENDING EXPIRING PROVISIONS OF LAW: TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN; TO EXTEND ESTABLISHED PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENTS AND **SERVICES** TO **WORKERS'** COMPENSATION PATIENTS: AND TO CLARIFY STATUTORY SALARY INCREASES. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: PART I. EXTEND CONTINUING BUDGET AUTHORITY. **SECTION 1.** Section 8 of S.L. 2001-250, as amended by S.L. 2001-287, reads as rewritten: **'SECTION 8.** Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July 1, 2001. This act expires July 31, 2001. August 29, 2001." PART II. APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN. **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the State Employee Health Benefit Plan the sum of thirty-six million dollars (\$36,000,000) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year to be used to fund the Plan's cash requirements.

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PART III. EXTEND ESTABLISHED PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENTS AND SERVICES TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION

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SECTION 3. Section 2 of S.L. 2001-253 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding G.S. 97-26, payment for medical treatment and services rendered to workers' compensation patients by a hospital on or after July 1, 2001, and before August 1, 2001, September 1, 2001, shall be equal to the payment the hospital would have received for such treatment and services on June 30, 2001."

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PART IV. CLARIFY STATUTORY SALARY INCREASES.

SECTION 4.(a) Effective July 1, 2001, Section 3 of S.L. 2001-250 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 3. The salary schedules and specific salaries established for the 2000-2001 fiscal year by or under S.L. 2000-67 for offices and positions shall remain in effect until the effective date of the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2001.

Notwithstanding G.S. 7A-102(c), 7A-171.1, 20-187.3, and any other provision of <u>law</u>, <u>Teachers</u> teachers and <u>all</u> other <u>State-funded</u> employees shall not move up on <u>these</u> salary schedules or receive automatic, annual, performance, <u>merit</u>, <u>or merit increases</u>, <u>statutory salary increases</u>, or <u>any</u> other <u>salary</u> increments until authorized by the General Assembly."

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PART V. EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECTION 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.