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SENATE BILL 61

Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted 8/23/01 House Committee Substitute Favorable 8/28/01

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 6, 2001

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO CONTINUE THE BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR STATE
3	GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN
4	SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS, FOR NATURAL AND ECONOMIC
5	RESOURCES BLOCK GRANTS, FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE,
6	UNIVERSITY, AND PRIVATE COLLEGE ENROLLMENTS, FOR THE STATE
7	HEALTH PLAN, FOR DEBT SERVICE ON STATE BONDS, TO CONTAIN
8	MEDICAID COSTS AND REDUCE THE RATE OF GROWTH IN
9	EXPENDITURES FOR PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL SERVICES; TO PROVIDE
10	FOR MEDICAID COST-CONTAINMENT ACTIVITIES; TO DIRECT THE
11	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPLEMENT A
12	MEDICAID PROGRAM MANAGEMENT PLAN; TO ADOPT A MEDICAL
13	COVERAGE POLICY UNDER THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM AND TO
14	EXEMPT THE POLICY FROM RULE MAKING UNDER THE STATE
15	ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT; TO APPROVE THE TANF STATE
16	PLAN; TO EXTEND PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENTS AND
17	SERVICES TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION PATIENTS; TO INCREASE
18	TUITION RATES FOR THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES;
19	TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO BEGIN
20	RECRUITING PERSONNEL FOR PROJECT COLLECT TAX; AND TO
21	AUTHORIZE THE STATE TREASURER TO REPLACE THE OPTICAL
22	IMAGING SYSTEM IN THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS DIVISION.
23	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
24	PART I. CONTINUED BUDGET AUTHORITY.

- 25 SECTION 1. Section 8 of S.L. 2001-250, as amended by S.L. 2001-287 and
 26 Section 1 of S.L. 2001-322, reads as rewritten:
- 27 "SECTION 8. Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July 1,
 28 2001. This act expires August 29, 2001. September 28, 2001."

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2 3	PART II. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS.				
4		SECTION 2. Section 2 of S.L. 2001-250 is repealed. SECTION 2.1.(a) Appropriations from federal block grant funds are made			
5	for the fi	scal year ending June 30, 2002, according to the foll			
6		sear year enamy rane 30, 2002, according to the ron	sowing senedule.		
7	COMMU	UNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT			
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9	01.	Community Action Agencies	\$ 14,160,375		
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11	02.	Limited Purpose Agencies	979,017		
12					
13	03.	Department of Health and Human Services			
14		to administer and monitor			
15		the activities of the			
16		Community Services Block Grant	500,000		
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18	TOTAL	COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT	\$ 15,639,392		
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20	SOCIAL	L SERVICES BLOCK GRANT			
21	01		¢ 27 205 662		
22	01.	County departments of social services	\$ 27,395,663		
23		(Transfer from TANF - \$4,500,000)			
24 25	02.	Allocation for in home services provided			
23 26	02.	Allocation for in-home services provided by county departments of			
20 27		social services	2,101,113		
28		social services	2,101,115		
20 29	03.	Division of Mental Health, Developmental			
30	001	Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services	3,234,601		
31					
32	04.	Division of Services for the Blind	3,105,711		
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34	05.	Division of Facility Services	426,836		
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36	06.	Division of Aging - Home and Community			
37		Care Block Grant	1,840,234		
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39	07.	Child Care Subsidies	3,000,000		
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41	08.	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation -			
42		United Cerebral Palsy	71,484		
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1	09.	State administration	1,693,368		
2 3 4	10.	Child Medical Evaluation Program	238,321		
4 5 6	11.	Adult day care services	2,155,301		
7 8 9	12.	Comprehensive Treatment Services Program	750,000		
10 11 12	13.	Transfer to Preventive Health Services Block Grant for emergency medical services	213,128		
12 13 14 15	14.	Transfer to Preventive Health Services Block Grant for HIV/AIDS Prevention Activities	395,789		
16 17 18 19	15.	Department of Administration for the N.C. State Commission of Indian Affairs In-Home Services Program for the Elderly	203,198		
20 21 22	16.	Division of Vocational Rehabilitation - Easter Seals Society	116,779		
22 23 24 25	17.	UNC-CH CARES Program for training and consultation services	247,920		
23 26 27 28 29 30	18.	Office of the Secretary - Office of Economic Opportunity for N.C. Senior Citizens' Federation for outreach services to low-income elderly persons	41,302		
30 31 32 33 34	19.	Transfer from TANF Block Grant for Division of Social Services - Child Caring Agencies	1,500,000		
35 36 37 38	20.	Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services - Developmentally Disabled Waiting List for services	5,000,000		
39 40 41	21.	Transfer to Maternal and Child Health Block Grant for Newborn Screenings	90,611		
42 43	22.	Transfer to Preventive Health Services Block			

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1 2	Grant for HIV/AIDS education, counseling, and testing		66,939
3 4 5	TOTAL SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT		\$ 53,888,298
5 6 7	LOW-IN	ICOME ENERGY BLOCK GRANT	
, 8 9	01.	Energy Assistance Programs	\$ 8,092,113
10 11	02.	Crisis Intervention	5,795,825
12 13	03.	Administration	1,984,934
14 15	04.	Weatherization Program	2,684,116
16 17 18	05.	Department of Administration - N.C. State Commission of Indian Affairs	39,765
19 20	06.	Heating Air Repair and Replacement Program	1,252,588
20 21 22	TOTAL	LOW-INCOME ENERGY BLOCK GRANT	\$ 19,849,342
23 24	MENTA	L HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT	
25 26 27 28 29	01.	Provision of community-based services in accordance with the Mental Health Study Commission's Adult Severe and Persistently Mentally III Plan	\$ 5,192,826
30 31 32 33	02.	Provision of community-based services to children	2,378,540
33 34 35 36	03.	Establish Child Residential Treatment Services Program	1,500,000
37 38	04.	Administration	783,911
39 40	TOTAL	MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT	\$ 9,855,277
41 42 43		ANCE ABUSE PREVENTION REATMENT BLOCK GRANT	

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1 2	01.	Provision of community-based alcohol and drug abuse services,	
3		tuberculosis services, and services	
4		provided by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse	
5		Treatment Centers	\$ 14,501,711
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7	02.	Continuation of services for	
8		pregnant women and women	
9		with dependent children	6,007,303
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11	03.	Continuation of services to	
12		IV drug abusers and others at risk	
13		for HIV diseases	5,209,934
14			
15	04.	Provision of services to children	
16		and adolescents	6,839,190
17			
18	05.	Juvenile Services - Family Focus	774,414
19			
20	06.	Child Residential Treatment	
21		Services Program	700,000
22			
23	07.	Administration	2,423,049
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25	TOTAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION		
26	AND TREATMENT BLOCK GRANT \$36,455,601		
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28	CHILD O	CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND BLOCK GRANT	
29			
30	01.	Child care subsidies	\$148,343,839
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32	02.	Quality and availability initiatives	17,259,661
33			
34	03.	Administrative expenses	6,550,000
35			
36	04.	Transfer from TANF Block Grant for	
37		child care subsidies	76,675,000
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39	TOTAL	CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND	
40	BLOCK GRANT \$248,828,500		
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42	TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES		
43	3 (TANF) BLOCK GRANT		

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2 3	01.	Work First Cash Assistance	\$114,181,958
4 5	02.	Work First County Block Grants	92,018,855
6 7 8	03.	Transfer to the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant for child care subsidies	76,675,000
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10 11 12 13 14	04.	Allocation to the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services for Work First substance abuse screening, diagnostic, and	2 500 000
14 15		support treatment services and drug testing	3,500,000
16 17	05.	Cash Assistance Reserve	11,876,624
18 19 20	06.	Allocation to the Division of Social Services for staff development	500,000
21 22	07.	Reduction of out-of-wedlock births	1,440,000
22 23 24	08.	Substance Abuse Services for Juveniles	1,182,280
25 26	09.	Special Children Adoption Fund	2,811,687
27 28 29	10.	Business Process Reengineering Project Reserve	3,000,000
30 31	11.	Work First Job Retention – NC Rural Center (\$270,000)	
32 33 34		Work Central Career Advancement Center (\$180,000)	450,000
35 36 37	12.	Allocation to the Division of Public Health for teen pregnancy prevention	2,015,335
38 39 40	13.	Transfer to Social Services Block Grant for Child Caring Agencies	1,500,000
40 41 42	14.	Child Care Subsidies for TANF Recipients	26,621,241
42 43	15.	Work First Housing Initiative	

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1 2		- Existing programs (\$1,800,000) - New programs (\$900,000)	2,700,000
3 4 5 6	16.	Allocation to the Division of Social Services for Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness	900,000
7 8 9 10	17.	County Child Protective Services, Foster Care, and Adoption Workers	2,727,550
10 11 12	18.	Intensive Family Preservation Program	1,800,000
12 13 14	19.	Work First/Boys and Girls Clubs	900,000
14 15 16 17 18	20.	Transfer to Social Services Block Grant for County Departments of Social Services for Children's Services	4,500,000
19 20 21 22	21.	Support Our Students – Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	2,475,607
23 24 25	22.	Residential Substance Abuse Services for Women With Children	4,500,000
25 26 27 28	23.	Domestic Violence Services for Work First Families	1,800,000
28 29 30 31	24.	After-School Services for At-Risk Children	2,700,000
32 33 34	25.	Division of Social Services - Administration	500,000
35 36 37	26.	Child Welfare workers and services for local departments of social services	7,654,841
38 39	27.	Child Welfare Training	2,000,000
40 41	28.	Individual Development Accounts	180,000
41 42 43		TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES BLOCK GRANT	\$373,110,978

1 2 3	MATER	NAL AND CHILD HEALTH BLOCK GRANT	
4	01.	Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children	
5		Block Grants to Local Health	
6		Departments	\$9,838,074
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8	02.	High-Risk Maternity Clinic Services,	
9		Perinatal Education and Training,	
10		Childhood Injury Prevention,	
11		Public Information and Education, and	
12		Technical Assistance to Local Health	
13		Departments	2,012,102
14			
15	03.	Services to Children With Special Health	
16		Care Needs	5,078,647
17			
18	04.	Transfer from Social Services Block Grant	
19		for Newborn Screenings	90,611
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21	TOTAL	MATERNAL AND CHILD	
22	HEALTH	H BLOCK GRANT	\$ 17,019,434
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24	PREVEN	TIVE HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT	
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26	01.	Statewide Health Promotion Programs	\$3,061,182
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28	02.	Dental Services/Fluoridation	100,800
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30	03.	Rape Crisis/Victims' Services	
31		Program - Council for Women	190,134
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33	04.	Rape Prevention and Education	
34		Program - Division of Public	
35		Health and Council for Women	1,139,869
36			
37	05.	Transfer from Social Services	
38		Block Grant -	
39		HIV/AIDS Prevention Activities	395,789
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41	06.	Transfer from Social Services	
42		Block Grant -	
43		Emergency Medical Services	213,128

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2	07.	Transfer from Social Services	
3		Block Grant –	
4		HIV/AIDS education, counseling, and	
5		testing	66,939
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7	08.	Office of Minority Health	159,459
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9	09.	Administrative Costs	108,546
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11	TOTAL	PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT	\$5,435,846

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13 **SECTION 2.1.(b)** Decreases in Federal Fund Availability. – If the United 14 States Congress reduces federal fund availability in the Social Services Block Grant 15 below the amounts appropriated in this section, then the Department of Health and 16 Human Services shall allocate these decreases giving priority first to those direct 17 services mandated by State or federal law, then to those programs providing direct 18 services that have demonstrated effectiveness in meeting the federally and 19 State-mandated services goals established for the Social Services Block Grant. The 20 Department shall not include transfers from TANF for specified purposes in any 21 calculations of reductions to the Social Services Block Grant.

If the United States Congress reduces the amount of TANF funds below the amounts appropriated in this section after the effective date of this act, then the Department shall allocate the decrease in funds after considering any underutilization of the budget and the effectiveness of the current level of services. Any TANF Block Grant fund changes shall be reported to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division.

Decreases in federal fund availability shall be allocated for the Maternal and Child Health and Preventive Health Services federal block grants by the Department of Health and Human Services after considering the effectiveness of the current level of services.

33 **SECTION 2.1.(c)** Increases in Federal Fund Availability. – Any block grant 34 funds appropriated by the United States Congress in addition to the funds specified in 35 this act shall be expended by the Department of Health and Human Services, with the 36 approval of the Office of State Budget and Management, provided the resultant 37 increases are in accordance with federal block grant requirements and are within the 38 scope of the block grant plan approved by the General Assembly.

39 **SECTION 2.1.(d)** Changes to the budgeted allocations to the block grants 40 appropriated in this act and new allocations from the block grants not specified in this 41 act shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations 42 for review prior to the change and shall be reported immediately to the Senate 43 Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the
 Fiscal Research Division.

3 **SECTION 2.1.(e)** The Department of Health and Human Services may 4 allow no-cost contract extensions for up to six months for nongovernmental grant 5 recipients under the TANF Block Grant.

6 **SECTION 2.1.(f)** Limitations on Preventive Health Services Block Grant 7 Funds. – Twenty-five percent (25%) of funds allocated for Rape Prevention and Rape 8 Education shall be allocated as grants to nonprofit organizations to provide rape 9 prevention and education programs targeted for middle, junior high, and high school 10 students.

11 If federal funds are received under the Maternal and Child Health Block 12 Grant for abstinence education, pursuant to section 912 of Public Law 104-193 (42) 13 U.S.C. § 710), for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, then those funds shall be transferred to the State Board of Education to be administered by the Department of Public Instruction. 14 15 The Department of Public Instruction shall use the funds to establish an Abstinence 16 Until Marriage Education Program and shall delegate to one or more persons the 17 responsibility of implementing the program and G.S. 115C-81(e1)(4). The Department 18 of Public Instruction shall carefully and strictly follow federal guidelines in 19 implementing and administering the abstinence education grant funds.

SECTION 2.1.(g) The Department of Health and Human Services, Division
 of Social Services, shall do the following:

- (1) Continue the current evaluation of the Work First Program to assess
 former recipients' earnings, barriers to advancement to economic
 self-sufficiency, utilization of community support services, and other
 longitudinal employment data. Assessment periods shall include six
 and 18 months following closure of the case.
- (2) Continue the current evaluation of the Work First Program to profile
 the State's child-only caseload to include indicators of economic and
 social well-being, academic and behavioral performance, demographic
 data, description of living arrangements including length of placement
 out of the home, social and other human services provided to families,
 and other information needed to assess the needs of the child-only
 Work First Family Assistance clients and families.

The Division of Social Services may use up to seven hundred fifty thousand
 dollars (\$750,000) in TANF funds to complete the evaluation of Work First.

The Department of Health and Human Services shall make a report on its progress in complying with this subsection to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division no later than September 30, 2001, and shall make a final report no later than September 30, 2002.

42 **SECTION 2.1.(h)** The sum of two million eight hundred eleven thousand 43 six hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$2,811,687) appropriated in this section in the TANF

1 Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services, Special Children 2 Adoption Fund, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be used to implement this 3 subsection. The Division of Social Services, in consultation with the North Carolina 4 Association of County Directors of Social Services and representatives of licensed 5 private adoption agencies, shall develop guidelines for the awarding of funds to licensed 6 public and private adoption agencies upon the adoption of children described in G.S. 7 108A-50 and in foster care. Payments received from the Special Children Adoption 8 Fund by participating agencies shall be used exclusively to enhance the adoption 9 services program. No local match shall be required as a condition for receipt of these 10 funds.

11 SECTION 2.1.(i) The sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars 12 (\$1,500,000) appropriated in this act in the TANF Block Grant and transferred to the 13 Social Services Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division 14 of Social Services, for child caring agencies for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be 15 allocated to the State Private Child Caring Agencies Fund. These funds shall be 16 combined with all other funds allocated to the State Private Child Caring Agencies Fund 17 for the reimbursement of the State's portion of the cost of care for the placement of 18 certain children by the county departments of social services who are not eligible for 19 federal IV-E funds. These funds shall not be used to match other federal funds.

SECTION 2.1.(j) The sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) appropriated in this section to the Department of Health and Human Services in the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant shall be used to develop and implement a Medical Child Care Pilot open to children throughout the State.

24 **SECTION 2.1.(k)** The sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) 25 appropriated in this section to the Department of Health and Human Services in the 26 TANF Block Grant for Boys and Girls Clubs shall be used to make grants for approved 27 programs. The Department of Health and Human Services, in accordance with federal 28 regulations for the use of TANF Block Grant funds, shall administer a grant program to 29 award funds to the Boys and Girls Clubs across the State in order to implement 30 programs that improve the motivation, performance, and self-esteem of youths and to 31 implement other initiatives that would be expected to reduce school dropout and teen 32 pregnancy rates. The Department shall encourage and facilitate collaboration between 33 the Boys and Girls Clubs and Support Our Students, Communities in Schools, and 34 similar programs to submit joint applications for the funds if appropriate.

35 **SECTION 2.1.(I)** Payment for subsidized child care services provided with 36 federal TANF funds shall comply with all regulations and policies issued by the 37 Division of Child Development for the subsidized child care program.

38 SECTION 2.1.(m) The sum of two million seven hundred thousand dollars 39 (\$2,700,000) appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of 40 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, for the Work First Housing 41 Initiative shall be used to provide direct housing support to Work First clients. Direct 42 housing support includes using funds for rental assistance, loans, moving expenses, and 43 other financial assistance. No more than ten percent (10%) of these funds may be used

1 for administration. These funds may be used for counseling or similar services only if it 2 is demonstrated that those services are not otherwise available in the community.

3 **SECTION 2.1.(n)** The sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) 4 appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health and 5 Human Services, Division of Social Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be 6 used to support administration of TANF-funded programs.

7 **SECTION 2.1.(0)** The sum of four million five hundred thousand dollars 8 (\$4,500,000) appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of 9 Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, 10 and Substance Abuse Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be used to provide 11 regional residential substance abuse treatment and services for women with children. 12 The Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Social Services, and the 13 Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, 14 in consultation with local departments of social services, area mental health programs, 15 and other State and local agencies or organizations, shall coordinate this effort in order 16 to facilitate the expansion of regionally based substance abuse services for women with children. These services shall be culturally appropriate and designed for the unique 17 18 needs of TANF women with children.

19 In order to expedite the expansion of these services, the Secretary of the 20 Department of Health and Human Services may enter into contracts with service 21 providers.

22 The Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Social 23 Services, and the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance 24 Abuse Services, shall report on their progress in complying with this subsection no later 25 than October 1, 2001, and March 1, 2002, to the Senate Appropriations Committee on 26 Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations 27 Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division. These 28 reports shall include all of the following:

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- The number and location of additional beds created. (1)
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- (2)The types of facilities established.
- 31 (3) The delineation of roles and responsibilities at the State and local 32 levels. 33
- Demographics of the women served, the number of women served, (4)34 and the cost per client. 35
 - (5) Demographics of the children served, the number of children served, and the services provided.
 - Job placement services provided to women. (6)
- 38 A plan for follow-up and evaluation of services provided with an (7)39 emphasis on outcomes.
 - Barriers identified to the successful implementation of the expansion. (8)
- 41 Identification of other resources needed to appropriately and (9) 42 efficiently provide services to Work First recipients. 43
 - Other information as requested. (10)

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1 **SECTION 2.1.(p)** The sum of two million four hundred seventy-five 2 thousand six hundred seven dollars (\$2,475,607) appropriated in this section in the 3 TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services and transferred to 4 the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for the 2001-2002 fiscal 5 year shall be used to support the existing Support Our Students Program and to expand 6 the Program statewide, focusing on low-income communities in unserved areas. These 7 funds shall not be used for administration of the program.

8 **SECTION 2.1.(q)** The sum of one million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) appropriated under this section in the TANF Block Grant to the 9 10 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, for the 11 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be used to provide domestic violence services to Work First recipients. These funds shall be used to provide domestic violence counseling, support, 12 13 and other direct services to clients. These funds shall not be used to establish new 14 domestic violence shelters or to facilitate lobbying efforts. The Division of Social 15 Services may use up to seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) in TANF funds to 16 establish one administrative position within the Division of Social Services to 17 implement this subsection

18 Each county department of social services and the local domestic violence 19 shelter program serving the county shall jointly develop a plan for utilizing these funds. 20 The plan shall include the services to be provided and the manner in which the services 21 shall be delivered. The county plan shall be signed by the county social services director 22 or the director's designee and the domestic violence program director or the director's 23 designee and submitted to the Division of Social Services by December 1, 2001. The 24 Division of Social Services, in consultation with the Council for Women, shall review 25 the county plans and shall provide consultation and technical assistance to the departments of social services and local domestic violence shelter programs, if needed. 26

27 The Division of Social Services shall allocate these funds to county 28 departments of social services according to the following formula: (i) each county shall 29 receive a base allocation of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and (ii) each county shall 30 receive an allocation of the remaining funds based on the county's proportion of the 31 statewide total of the Work First caseload as of July 1, 2001, and the county's proportion 32 of the statewide total of the individuals receiving domestic violence services from 33 programs funded by the Council for Women as of July 1, 2001. The Division of Social 34 Services may reallocate unspent funds to counties that submit a written request for 35 additional funds.

The Department of Health and Human Services shall report on the uses of these funds no later than March 1, 2002, to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division.

40 **SECTION 2.1.(r)** The sum of two million seven hundred thousand dollars 41 (\$2,700,000) appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of 42 Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, shall be used to expand 43 after-school programs and services for at-risk children. The Department shall develop

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1 and implement a grant program to award grants to community-based programs that 2 demonstrate the ability to reach children at risk of teen pregnancy and school dropout. 3 The Department shall award grants to community-based organizations that demonstrate 4 the ability to develop and implement linkages with local departments of social services, 5 area mental health programs, schools, and other human services programs in order to 6 provide support services and assistance to the child and family. These funds may be 7 used to establish one position within the Division of Social Services to coordinate 8 at-risk after-school programs and shall not be used for other State administration. The 9 Department shall report no later than March 1, 2002, on its progress in complying with 10 this section to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the 11 House of Representatives Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal 12 Research Division.

13 **SECTION 2.1.(s)** The sum of seven million six hundred fifty-four thousand 14 eight hundred forty-one dollars (\$7,654,841) appropriated in this section in the TANF 15 Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social 16 Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year for Child Welfare Improvements shall be 17 allocated to the county departments of social services for hiring or contracting staff to 18 investigate and provide services in Child Protective Services cases; to provide foster 19 care and support services; to recruit, train, license, and support prospective foster and 20 adoptive families; and to provide interstate and post-adoption services for eligible 21 families.

22 **SECTION 2.1.(t)** The sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars 23 (\$1,500,000) appropriated in this section in the Mental Health Block Grant to the 24 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental 25 Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and the sum 26 of seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000) appropriated in this section in the 27 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant to the Department of Health 28 and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and 29 Substance Abuse Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be used to continue a Comprehensive Treatment Services Program in accordance with Section 21.60 of 30 Senate Bill 1005, 2001 Session, 5th Edition engrossed, the text of which is incorporated 31 32 by reference.

33 **SECTION 2.1.(u)** The sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) appropriated 34 in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human 35 Services, Division of Social Services, for fiscal year 2001-2002 shall be used to support 36 various child welfare training projects as follows:

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- (1) Provide a regional training center in southeastern North Carolina.
- (2) Support the Masters Degree in Social Work/Baccalaureate Degree in Social Work Collaborative.
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- (3) Provide training for residential child care facilities.
- (4) Provide for various other child welfare training initiatives.

42 **SECTION 2.1.(v)** The sum of nine million three hundred forty-seven 43 thousand six hundred thirty-one dollars (\$9,347,631) appropriated in this section in the

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1 TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services for a Cash 2 Assistance Reserve may only be used for cash assistance payment if the funds 3 appropriated in this act for cash assistance payments are not sufficient to pay Work First 4 cash assistance in the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Prior to the use of these funds, the Office 5 of State Budget and Management shall review all proposals for expenditure of these 6 funds in order to ensure compliance with this subsection.

7 The sum of two million five hundred twenty-eight thousand nine hundred 8 ninety-three dollars (\$2,528,993) appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant 9 to the Department of Health and Human Services for a Cash Assistance Reserve shall be 10 held in the Cash Assistance Reserve until the Department of Health and Human 11 Services and the Office of State Budget and Management can certify that these funds 12 are not needed to ensure the continuation of the Work First Family Assistance payments 13 to recipients during the 2001-2002 fiscal year. These funds may be used only for the 14 payment of Work First Family Assistance and the allocations listed in this subsection. If 15 the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of State Budget and 16 Management certify that these funds are not needed to ensure the continuation of Work 17 First Family Assistance payments, the Department may make the following transfers 18 from the Cash Assistance Reserve:

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19	(1)	Reduction of out-of-wedlock births.	\$160,000
20	(2)	Work First Job Retention –	
21		Rural Center (\$30,000)	
22		Work Central Career Center (\$20,000)	\$50,000
23	(3)	Teen Pregnancy Prevention	\$223,926
24	(4)	Work First Housing Initiative	\$300,000
25	(5)	Domestic Violence Prevention and	
26		Awareness	\$100,000
27	(6)	Intensive Family Preservation Program	\$200,000
28	(7)	Work First Boys and Girls Clubs	\$100,000
29	(8)	Support our Students	\$275,674
30	(9)	Residential Substance Abuse Services	
31		for Women with Children	\$500,000
32	(10)	Domestic Violence Services for	
33		Work First Families	\$200,000
34	(11)	After School Services for At-Risk Children	\$300,000
35	(12)	Individual Development Accounts	\$20,000
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SECTION 2.1.(w) The sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) appropriated in this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health and Human Services for a Business Process Reengineering Project Reserve may only be used for the project if funds appropriated in this act for Business Process Reengineering are not sufficient to continue the project through the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Prior to the use of these funds, the Office of State Budget and Management shall review all proposals for expenditure of these funds in order to ensure compliance with this subsection. 1 **SECTION 2.1.(x)** If funds appropriated through the Child Care and 2 Development Fund Block Grant for any program cannot be obligated or spent in that 3 program within the obligation or liquidation periods allowed by the federal grants, the 4 Department may move funds to child care subsidies unless otherwise prohibited by 5 federal requirements of the grant, in order to use the federal funds fully.

6 **SECTION 2.1.(v)** The sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) 7 appropriated under this section in the TANF Block Grant to the Department of Health 8 and Human Services, Division of Social Services, for the 2001-2002 fiscal year for 9 Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness shall be used for grants to support 10 initiatives by local domestic violence programs to prevent domestic violence. 11 Prevention activities shall include efforts to reach under-served populations and shall be 12 culturally sensitive and multilingual. The Department shall award grants to 13 community-based organizations that demonstrate the ability to collaborate and coordinate services with other local human services agencies and organizations in order 14 15 to serve children and families where domestic violence has occurred or is occurring. 16 The Department shall report on the use of these funds no later than May 1, 2002, to the 17 Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services, the House of 18 Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, and the 19 Fiscal Research Division.

20 **SECTION 2.1.(z)** The sum of three hundred ninety-five thousand seven 21 hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$395,789) appropriated in this section in the Social 22 Services Block Grant and transferred to the Preventive Health Service Block Grant to 23 the Department of Health and Human Services for the 2001-2002 fiscal year for 24 HIV/AIDS Prevention Activities shall be used to create a position in the Office of the 25 Secretary and to enhance activities for HIV/AIDS awareness and education. The position shall be responsible for all planning, programming, and budgeting for 26 27 compliance with this subsection. These prevention activities shall be targeted to the 28 general public and programs identified in this subsection and shall not be used to 29 augment the current grant programs that target high-risk populations through the 30 community-based organizations.

It is the intention of the General Assembly to focus current resources and activities to strengthen and enhance prevention and intervention programs directed at the reduction of HIV/AIDS. The Department shall coordinate efforts to enhance awareness, education, and outreach with the North Carolina AIDS Advisory Council, North Carolina Minority Health Advisory Council, representatives of faith communities, representatives of nonprofit agencies, and other State agencies.

The Department of Health and Human Services shall coordinate and ensure the implementation of developmentally appropriate education, awareness, and outreach campaigns to comply with this subsection in the following programs and services:

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(1) Division of Social Services programs and services:

- a. Domestic Violence Prevention and Awareness.
- b. Domestic Violence Services for Work First Families.
- c. After School Services for At Risk Children.

1		d. Work First Boys/Girls Clubs.
2	(2)	Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance
3		Abuse Services programs and services:
4		a. Substance Abuse Services for Juveniles.
5		b. Residential Substance Abuse Services for Women and
6		Children.
7	(3)	Division of Public Health programs and services:
8		a. Teen Pregnancy Prevention Activities.
9		b. Out-of-Wedlock Births.
10		c. School Health Program.
11		d. High-Risk Maternity Clinic Services.
12		e. Perinatal Education and Training.
13		f. Public Information and Education.
14		g. Technical Assistance to Local Health Departments.
15	(4)	Other divisions, services, and programs:
16		a. Family Support Services.
17		b. Family Resource Centers.
18		c. Independent Living Services.
19		d. Residential schools and facilities.
20		e. Other programs, services, or contracts that provide education
21	0.1	and awareness services to children and families.
22		State agencies, including the Department of Public Instruction, the
23	-	Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and the Department of
24		shall ensure the incorporation of developmentally appropriate
25		ation, awareness, and outreach information into their programs.
26		Department shall report on the implementation of this subsection on
27		2, to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human
28		ouse of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and
29		s, and the Fiscal Research Division.
30		FION 2.1.(aa) The sum of one hundred eighty thousand dollars
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32		nan Services for the 2001-2002 fiscal year shall be used for Individual
33 24	_	accounts (IDA) for TANF-eligible individuals. The Social Services
34 35		all adopt rules for the implementation of this subsection.
		(ION 2.1.(bb) If excess funds are available in the TANF Block Grant,
36 37	-	of Health and Human Services may use up to two hundred twenty s (\$220,000) to increase the appropriation in this section in the TANF
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2 the rate of growth in total expenditures for payments for medical services for fiscal year 3 2002-2003 to eight percent (8%) or less of the total expenditures for the 2001-2002 4 fiscal year, excluding the rate of growth associated with eligibles. 5 **SECTION 3.(b)** In addition to findings and recommendations in the "North 6 Carolina Medicaid Benefit Study", May 1, 2001, the Department of Health and Human 7 Services may also consider the following actions to reduce the rate of growth in the 8 Medicaid Program: 9 (1)Changes in methods of reimbursement: 10 (2)Changes in the method of determining or limiting inflation factors, or 11 both: 12 (3) Recalibration of existing methods of reimbursement; and 13 (4)Contracting for services. 14 **SECTION 3.(c)** As part of any efforts to contain Medicaid Program costs, 15 the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, shall 16 establish reimbursement rates that will allow efficient Medicaid providers to comply 17 with certification requirements, licensure rules, or other mandated quality or safety 18 standards. 19 **SECTION 3.(d)** The Department shall report on its plans to reduce the rate 20 of growth in the State Medicaid Program not later than December 1, 2001. The 21 Department shall submit the report to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health 22 and Human Services, the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on 23 Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division. 24 **SECTION 3.(e)** The Department shall not change medical policy affecting 25 the amount, sufficiency, duration, and scope of health care services and who may 26 provide services until the Division of Medical Assistance has prepared a five-year fiscal 27 analysis documenting the increased cost of the proposed change in medical policy and 28 submitted it for departmental review. If the fiscal impact indicated by the fiscal analysis 29 for any proposed medical policy change exceeds three million dollars (\$3,000,000) in 30 total requirements for a given fiscal year, then the Department shall submit the proposed 31 policy change with the fiscal analysis to the Office of State Budget and Management 32 and the Fiscal Research Division. 33 34 PART IV. MEDICAID COST-CONTAINMENT ACTIVITIES. 35 SECTION 4. The Department of Health and Human Services may use not 36 more than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) in each year of the 2001-2003 fiscal 37 biennium in Medicaid funds budgeted for program services to support the cost of 38 administrative activities when cost effectiveness and savings are demonstrated. The 39 funds shall be used to support activities that will contain the cost of the Medicaid 40 Program including contracting for services or hiring additional staff. Medicaid 41 cost-containment activities may include prospective reimbursement methods, 42 incentive-based reimbursement methods, service limits, prior authorization of services, periodic medical necessity reviews, revised medical necessity criteria, service provision 43

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12	Study", May 1, 2001, and shall target the following in considering whether and to what		
13	extent to implement recommendations: (1) Reduction in the fragmentation in the medical benefit policy-making		
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16		Improvement in the use of data and medical literature in the	
17		decision-making process.	
18		Improvement in the coordination of care and utilization review	
19		process.	
20		Strengthening of program integrity controls.	
21	SECTION 5.(b) The Department shall implement a pharmacy management		
22	plan considering the recommendations of the "North Carolina Medicaid Benefit Study"		
23	to achieve anticipated cost savings. The pharmacy management plan may include the		
24	following activities:		
25	(1)	Establishing a prior authorization program to manage utilization of	
26]	high-cost brand name drugs. In determining drugs to be included in the	
27		prior authorization program, the Department shall consider whether	
28		inclusion of these drugs is likely to:	
29	:	a. Increase utilization of more expensive services;	
30		b. Reduce quality of treatment;	
31		c. Result in a lower level of compliance with appropriate drug	
32		therapy;	
33		d. Have a differential impact upon racial and ethnic minorities and	
34		the elderly.	
35		The Department shall conduct a review at least annually of the drugs	
36		included in the prior authorization program to determine whether any	
37		of the factors listed in this subdivision or other factors with similar	
38		results have occurred.	
39 40		Limiting prescription drugs to a 34-day supply for some or all drugs.	
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41 42		educational tools to enable physicians to better manage their prescriptions.	
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5	(7)	Contracting with a pharmacy benefits manager to implement more		
6	(')	extensive drug utilization review.		
7	(8)	Studying the impact of eliminating the six prescription drug monthly		
8		limit combined with a more rigorous prior authorization program to		
9		ensure cost decisions are made based on evidenced-based clinical		
10		guidelines.		
11	(9)	Expanding disease management initiatives.		
12	(10)	Working with ACCESS physicians to develop and implement drug		
13		utilization management initiatives.		
14	(11)	If cost-effective, expanding Medicaid drug coverage to include		
15		selected over-the-counter medications.		
16		TION 5.(c) The Department shall report on all of the activities		
17		r this section to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and		
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19	and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division not later than January 1, 2002.			
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1		a. Publish the proposed new or amended medical coverage policy	
2		on the Department's website;	
3		b. Notify all Medicaid providers of the proposed, new, or amended	
4		policy; and	
5		c. Upon request, provide persons copies of the proposed medical	
6		coverage policy.	
7	(3)	During the 45-day period immediately following publication of the	
8		proposed new or amended medical coverage policy, accept oral and	
9		written comments on the proposed new or amended policy.	
10	(4)	If, following the comment period, the proposed new or amended	
11	()	medical coverage policy is modified, then the Department shall, at	
12		least 15 days prior to its adoption:	
13		a. Notify all Medicaid providers of the proposed policy;	
14		b. Upon request, provide persons notice of amendments to the	
15		proposed policy; and	
16		c. Accept additional oral or written comments during this 15-day	
17		period.	
18	SEC	FION 6.(c) G.S. 150B-1(d), as amended by S.L. 2001-299, reads as	
19	rewritten:		
20	"(d) Exem	ptions from Rule Making. – Article 2A of this Chapter does not apply to	
21	the following:		
22	(1)	The Commission.	
23	(2)	Repealed by Session Laws 2000-189, s. 14, effective July 1, 2000.	
24	(3)	The North Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Commission in	
25		administering the provisions of G.S. 130B-13 and G.S. 130B-14.	
26	(4)	The Department of Revenue, with respect to the notice and hearing	
27		requirements contained in Part 2 of Article 2A.	
28	(5)	The North Carolina Global TransPark Authority with respect to the	
29		acquisition, construction, operation, or use, including fees or charges,	
30		of any portion of a cargo airport complex.	
31	(6)	The Department of Correction, with respect to matters relating solely	
32		to persons in its custody or under its supervision, including prisoners,	
33		probationers, and parolees.	
34	(7)	The North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive	
35		Major Medical Plan in administering the provisions of Parts 2 and 3 of	
36		Article 3 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes.	
37	(8)	The North Carolina Federal Tax Reform Allocation Committee, with	
38		respect to the adoption of the annual qualified allocation plan required	
39		by 26 U.S.C. § 42(m), and any agency designated by the Committee to	
40		the extent necessary to administer the annual qualified allocation plan.	
41	<u>(9)</u>	The Department of Health and Human Services in adopting new or	
42		amending existing medical coverage policies under the State Medicaid	
43		Program."	

PART VII. TANF STATE PLAN. **SECTION 7.(a)** The General Assembly approves the plan titled "North Carolina Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Plan FY 2001-2003", prepared by the Department of Health and Human Services and presented to the General Assembly on May 15, 2001, as revised in accordance with subsection (b) of this section. The North Carolina Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Plan covers the period October 1, 2001, through September 30, 2003. The Department shall submit the State Plan, as revised in accordance with subsection (b) of this section, to the United States Department of Health and Human Services as amended by this act or any other act of the 2001 General Assembly. **SECTION 7.(b)** The Department of Health and Human Services shall revise the North Carolina Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Plan FY 2001-2003, submitted to the General Assembly for approval on May 15, 2001. The revisions shall be made to the following Plan components: (1)Enhanced Employee Assistance Program to reflect changes in funding. (2)Services for Families to remove reference to start-up activities. (3)Work Responsibility to remove reference to start-up activities. (4) Cabarrus County Waiver to reflect changes in the law made by the 2001 General Assembly. (5) Goal #8 to provide that caseload reduction goals are subject to economic conditions in the county. SECTION 7.(c) The counties approved as Electing Counties in North Carolina's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families State Plan FY 2001-2003 as approved by this section are: Caldwell, Caswell, Davie, Henderson, Iredell, Lenoir, Lincoln, Macon, McDowell, Randolph, Sampson, Surry, and Wilkes. SECTION 7.(d) Counties designated as electing counties pursuant to Section 12.27A of S.L. 1998-212 and who submitted the letter of intent to be redesignated as a standard county and the accompanying county plan for FY 2001-2003, pursuant to G.S. 108A-27(e), shall operate under the standard county budget requirements effective July 1, 2001. Counties that submitted the letter of intent to remain as an electing county or to be redesignated as an electing county and the accompanying county plan for FY 2001-2003, pursuant to G.S. 108A-27(e), shall operate under the electing county budget requirements effective July 1, 2001. For programmatic purposes, all counties referred to in this subsection shall remain under their current county designation through September 30, 2001. PART VIII. NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES BLOCK GRANTS. **SECTION 8.(a)** Appropriations from federal block grant funds are made for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, according to the following schedule: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

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2 3	02.	Urgent Needs and Contingency	1,000,000		
4 5	03.	Scattered Site Housing	13,200,000		
6 7	04.	Economic Development	8,710,000		
8 9	05.	Community Revitalization	13,500,000		
10 11	06.	State Technical Assistance	450,000		
12 13	07.	Housing Development	2,000,000		
14 15	08.	Infrastructure	5,140,000		
16 17	TOTAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT				
18 19	BLOCK GRAN	NT - 2002 Program Year	\$45,000,000		

SECTION 8.(b) Decreases in Federal Fund Availability. – If federal funds are reduced below the amounts specified above after the effective date of this act, then every program in each of these federal block grants shall be reduced by the same percentage as the reduction in federal funds.

SECTION 8.(c) Increases in Federal Fund Availability for Community Development Block Grant. – Any block grant funds appropriated by the Congress of the United States in addition to the funds specified in this section shall be expended as follows: Each program category under the Community Development Block Grant shall be increased by the same percentage as the increase in federal funds.

29 **SECTION 8.(d)** Limitations on Community Development Block Grant 30 Funds. – Of the funds appropriated in this section for the Community Development 31 Block Grant, the following shall be allocated in each category for each program year: up 32 to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) may be used for State administration; up to one 33 million dollars (\$1,000,000) may be used for Urgent Needs and Contingency; up to 34 thirteen million two hundred thousand dollars (\$13,200,000) may be used for Scattered 35 Site Housing; up to eight million seven hundred ten thousand dollars (\$8,710,000) may 36 be used for Economic Development; not less than thirteen million five hundred 37 thousand dollars (\$13,500,000) shall be used for Community Revitalization; up to four 38 hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000) may be used for State Technical Assistance; 39 up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000) may be used for Housing Development; up to 40 five million one hundred forty thousand dollars (\$5,140,000) may be used for 41 Infrastructure. If federal block grant funds are reduced or increased by the Congress of 42 the United States after the effective date of this act, then these reductions or increases 43 shall be allocated in accordance with subsection (b) or (c) of this section, as applicable.

1 **SECTION 8.(e)** Increase Capacity for Nonprofit Organizations. – 2 Assistance to nonprofit organizations to increase their capacity to carry out 3 CDBG-eligible activities in partnership with units of local government is an eligible 4 activity under any program category in accordance with federal regulations. Capacity 5 building grants may be made from funds available within program categories, program 6 income, or unobligated funds.

7 SECTION 8.(f) Study. – The Department of Commerce shall study the 8 development of a training program designed to provide a minimum level of knowledge and skills for Community Development Block Grant administrators. In conducting the 9 10 study, the Department shall consult the North Carolina League of Municipalities, the 11 North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, the North Carolina Community 12 Development Association, and the Institute of Government at the University of North 13 Carolina at Chapel Hill. The Department may use unencumbered and unspent State 14 Technical Assistance funds from previous program years to conduct the study. The 15 Department shall report its findings to the House and Senate Appropriations 16 Subcommittees on Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division 17 by February 1, 2002.

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PART IX. ESTABLISHED PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENTS AND SERVICES TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION PATIENTS EXTENDED.

SECTION 9. Section 2 of S.L. 2001-253, as amended by Section 3 of S.L.
 2001-322, 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 September 1, 2001, September 15, 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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28 PART X. COMMUNITY COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, AND PRIVATE

29 COLLEGE ENROLLMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND 20 UNIVERSITY TUITION INCREASES

30 UNIVERSITY TUITION INCREASES.

31 **SECTION 10.(a)** Beginning with the Fall 2001 academic semester, the State 32 Board of Community Colleges shall increase the tuition charged to students enrolled in 33 curriculum programs by three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) per student credit hour up 34 to 16 credit hours per semester.

35 **SECTION 10.(b)** There is appropriated from tuition receipts received by the 36 Community Colleges System Office pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the 37 Community Colleges System Office the sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the 38 2001-2002 fiscal year to fully fund enrollment.

SECTION 10.(c) Beginning with the Fall 2001 academic semester, the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall increase tuition for all students by nine percent (9%) per year above the rates charged for the 2000-2001 academic year. In addition, the differentials for graduate and professional schools adopted by the Board of Governors for the 2001-2002 academic year shall remain in

1 effect. The campus-initiated tuition increases approved by the Board of Governors for 2 the 2001-2002 academic year shall also remain in effect. The receipts in this subsection 3 are appropriated for the purpose of funding regular term and distance education 4 enrollment, including the enrollment hold harmless as requested by the Board of 5 Governors as provided in subsection (e) of this section. 6 **SECTION 10.(d)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board 7 of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of nine million six hundred 8 seventy-two thousand one hundred six dollars (\$9,672,106) for the 2001-2002 fiscal 9 year for the purpose of fully funding regular term and distance education enrollment, including the enrollment hold harmless as requested by the Board of Governors. 10 11 **SECTION 10.(e)** Of the funds and receipts appropriated by this section, the 12 Board of Governors may expend up to forty million five hundred thirty-six thousand 13 nine hundred sixty-three dollars (\$40,536,963) for the purpose of funding enrollment. 14 **SECTION 10.(f)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board 15 of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of three million two hundred 16 twenty-six thousand two hundred ten dollars (\$3,226,210) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year 17 to be allocated to the University Board of Governors Related Educational Programs to 18 be used to provide funds for the Legislative Tuition Grant program and the State 19 Contractual Scholarship program enrollment increases. 20 21 PART XI. STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN FUNDING. 22 **SECTION 11.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the 23 Reserve for State Health Plan the sum of one hundred fourteen million dollars 24 (\$114,000,000) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year. 25 SECTION 11.(b) There is appropriated from the Highway Fund to the 26 Reserve for State Health Plan the sum of seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) for the 27 2001-2002 fiscal year. 28 29 PART XII. BOND DEBT SERVICE. 30 There is appropriated from the General Fund to the SECTION 12. 31 Department of State Treasurer the sum of twelve million three hundred thousand dollars (\$12,300,000) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year to pay the debt service for bonds. 32 33 34 PART XIII. PROJECT COLLECT TAX COLLECTION. 35 SECTION 13. The Department of Revenue may initiate recruitment 36 activities for personnel to implement Project Collect Tax; however, the Department 37 shall not employ the personnel until the Current Operations and Capital Improvements 38 Appropriations Act of 2001 becomes law. 39 40 PART XIV. REPLACE OPTICAL IMAGING SYSTEM IN RETIREMENT

41 SYSTEMS DIVISION. 42 SECTION 14. There is appropriated to the Department of State Treasurer

43 departmental receipts in the amount of two million four hundred sixty-five thousand

- 1 dollars (\$2,465,000) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year to replace the optical imaging system
- 2 used by the Retirement Systems Division.
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4 PART XV. EFFECTIVE DATE. 5 SECTION 15. This act i

SECTION 15. This act is effective when it becomes law.