

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

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**HOUSE DRH70237-LE-156 (4/1)**

Short Title: Teacher Assistant Salary/Tuition Funds. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Parmon and Womble (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SALARY OF TEACHER ASSISTANTS TO THE  
3 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL AND TO PAY TUITION FOR THE COURSES  
4 TEACHER ASSISTANTS MUST TAKE TO COMPLY WITH THE NO CHILD  
5 LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to State Aid to  
8 Local School Administrative Units the sum of two million one hundred forty-two  
9 thousand dollars (\$2,142,000) for the 2003-2004 fiscal year and the sum of two million  
10 one hundred forty-two thousand dollars (\$2,142,000) for the 2004-2005 fiscal year to  
11 increase the average salary for teacher assistants from fourteen thousand dollars  
12 (\$14,000) a year to the federal poverty level as it is determined annually.

13       **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to State Aid to  
14 Local School Administrative Units the sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for the  
15 2003-2004 fiscal year and the sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for the  
16 2004-2005 fiscal year to pay the community college tuition for courses teacher  
17 assistants must take to comply with the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act  
18 of 2001.

19       **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2003.