

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 188**

Short Title: Special Care Dentistry Collaboration. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Malone, Forrester; Brunstetter, Davis, Dorsett, Foriest, Goss, Hoyle, Jones, McKissick, Purcell, Stevens, Swindell, and Tillman.

Referred to: Health Care.

February 18, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO COLLABORATE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL AND EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS OF DENTISTRY, THE NORTH CAROLINA DENTAL SOCIETY, AND CURRENT SPECIAL CARE DENTAL PROVIDERS, TO EXAMINE DENTAL CARE OPTIONS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA STUDY COMMISSION ON AGING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Division of Medical Assistance, Division of Public Health, and Division of Aging and Adult Services in the Department of Health and Human Services shall collaborate with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the East Carolina University Schools of Dentistry, the North Carolina Dental Society, and current providers of special care dentistry services, to examine current dental care options for special care populations. The collaboration of these groups shall result in suggestions for ways to improve the availability of services for special care populations. These groups shall report findings and recommendations to the North Carolina Study Commission on Aging and the Public Health Study Commission on or before February 1, 2010.

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

