## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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## HOUSE BILL 1269 Committee Substitute Favorable 5/22/07

Short Title:	Repeal Science/Math School Tuition Provision.	(Public)
Sponsors:		
Referred to:		

## April 2, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REPEAL A BUDGET SPECIAL PROVISION GIVING A FULL TUITION GRANT TO GRADUATES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, EFFECTIVE WITH PERSONS ENTERING THAT SCHOOL AFTER THE 2007-2008 ACADEMIC YEAR AND

TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A STUDY OF AN ALTERNATE TUITION BENEFIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 116-238.1(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) There is granted to each State resident who graduates from the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics and who enrolls as a full-time student in a constituent institution of The University of North Carolina a sum to be determined by the General Assembly as a tuition grant. The tuition grant shall be for four consecutive academic years and shall cover the tuition cost at the constituent institution in which the student is enrolled. The tuition grant shall be distributed to the student as provided by this section. The grant provided by this section is only available to persons enrolled at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics for the 2007-2008 academic year or earlier."

**SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for the 2007-2008 fiscal year the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for use by the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics to study: (i) an alternate program for graduates of that school, which would require three years of science or math teaching in North Carolina public schools in exchange for the free tuition (parallel to the four-year obligation for North Carolina Teaching Fellows); and (ii) why students from middle- to low-income homes are less likely to attend the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics than students from affluent (measured as \$70,000 plus) families.

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.