

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 266

Short Title: Free Vaccines/Health Care.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Johnson; Allran, Ballance, Block, Bryan, Carpenter, Cochrane, Conder, Martin of Guilford, Marvin, Richardson, Sands, Seymour, Sherron, Staton, Tally, and Ward.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 25, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE STATE MANDATED
3 VACCINES WITHOUT CHARGE TO PHYSICIANS AND OTHER
4 AUTHORIZED HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. Notwithstanding G.S. 130A-433, the Department of Environment,
7 Health, and Natural Resources shall provide, without charge, vaccines for
8 immunizations required by G.S. 130A-152 to physicians who are licensed to practice
9 medicine in this State and who administer immunizations as authorized under G.S.
10 130A-153, and to other health care providers authorized to administer immunizations
11 required by G.S. 130A-152. A physician or other health care provider who receives
12 vaccines from the State without charge may not charge the patient for the vaccine, but
13 may charge a reasonable fee for administering it.

14 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
15 Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, the sum of \$2,626,732 for the 1991-92
16 fiscal year, and the sum of \$4,466,138 for the 1992-93 fiscal year, to implement this act.

17 Sec. 3. Section 1 of this act becomes effective January 1, 1992. Section 2 of
18 this act becomes effective July 1, 1991.