GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 674*

Short Title: Universal Child Immunization. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Walker, Albertson, Allran, Cochrane, Codington, Cooper, Forrester, Gulley, Harris, Hyde, Martin of Guilford, Perdue, Plexico, Richardson, Speed, Tally, Ward, Winner of Mecklenburg; Ballance, Basnight, Blackmon, Carpenter, Conder, Edwards, Folger, Gunter, Hartsell, Hoyle, Hunt, Johnson, Jordan, Kaplan, Kerr, Kincaid, Lee, Martin of Pitt, Odom, Sands, Seymour, Shaw, Sherron, Simpson, Smith, Soles, Winner of Buncombe, and Warren.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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April 1, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

OF AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE **FUNDS** TO THE **DEPARTMENT** NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, AND RESOURCES FOR IMPLEMENTING A STATEWIDE UNIVERSAL IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

- Section 1. (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly, upon consultation with the Governor, that every child in North Carolina shall receive necessary immunizations from birth to age 19.
- (b) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of ten million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$10,900,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year for the Department to develop and implement a statewide universal immunization program. The purpose of the program shall be to ensure that every child in the State receives the necessary immunizations from birth to age 19. The Department shall present its plan for the development of the program to the General Assembly on or before November 1, 1993, and shall begin implementing the program on or before January 1, 1994.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.