

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1311

Short Title: Craniofacial Anomalies Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Cooper; and Perdue.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 27, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE DIAGNOSTIC AND
2 TREATMENT SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH CRANIOFACIAL
3 ANOMALIES INCLUDING CLEFT LIP/PALATE.
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Whereas, approximately 200 infants are born in North Carolina each year with craniofacial anomalies including cleft lip/palate; and

Whereas, it is critical that prompt and comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services be provided to these children to maximize their health and development; and

Whereas, children who are uninsured or underinsured are generally referred to the Craniofacial Center of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and

Whereas, the Center does not have the financial resources to meet the demand for these critical services; Now, therefore,

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
7 Environment, Health, and Natural Resources, Division of Maternal and Child Health, the
8 sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the 1996-97 fiscal year to provide
9 comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services for uninsured and underinsured children
10 in North Carolina with craniofacial anomalies including cleft lip/palate.

11 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1996.