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HOUSE BILL 318*

Short Title: Cancer Control Funds.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representatives Dickson, Howard, Wright; Hackney, Sexton, and Wa	rwick.
Referred to: Appropriations.	

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CANCER CONTROL.

Whereas, 39,500 North Carolinians will be diagnosed with cancer in 1997; and

Whereas, 16,000 North Carolinians will die from cancer in 1997; and

Whereas, one in every two men and one in every three women will be diagnosed with cancer during their lifetimes; and

Whereas, this impact can be dramatically reduced if proven advances in prevention, in early detection, and in care are made available; and

Whereas, the Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control, created by the General Assembly in 1993, has prepared a comprehensive, strategic plan for cancer control in the State, the North Carolina Cancer Control Plan 1996-2001, that outlines the specific strategies needed in our State; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of one million one hundred fifty-three thousand six hundred twenty-two dollars (\$1,153,622) for the 1997-98 fiscal year and the sum of one million sixty-three thousand six hundred two dollars (\$1,063,602) for the 1998-99 fiscal year for promoting the prevention, early detection, data collection, coordination, and optimal care in the control of cancer. Purposes for which funds appropriated under this section may be used include a total of six full-time equivalent

- positions for the Central Cancer Registry, the Division of Health Promotion, and the
- 2 Advisory Committee on Cancer Coordination and Control. Funding for the Central
- 3 Cancer Registry, the Cancer Control Program, and the Advisory Committee on Cancer
- 4 Coordination and Control shall be included in the Department's continuation budget
- 5 request.
- 6 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.