## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1243

Short Title: Welfare Law Changes.
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Sponsors: Representative Adams.

Referred to: Welfare Reform.

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

 AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES LAW PERTAINING TO THE MEDICAID STANDARD OF NEED, PAY-AFTER-PERFORMANCE FOR TWO-PARENT FAMILIES, TIME LIMITATIONS ON ASSISTANCE, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
Section 1. G.S. 108A-27.2 is amended by adding the following new subdivision to read:
"The Department shall have the following general duties with respect to the Work First Program:
(1b) Ensure that eligibility criteria across the State include the Medicaid Standard of Need for the Categorically Needy;
(1c) Ensure that qualified two-parent families that qualify for assistance receive assistance prior to meeting work requirements in order to encourage families to stay together and to overcome barriers to selfsufficiency and gainful employment."
Section 2. G.S. 108A-27.9(c) is amended by adding the following new subdivision to read:
"(c) The State Plan shall include the following generally applicable provisions:
(1b) Provisions to ensure that eligibility criteria across the State include the Medicaid Eligibility Standard of Need for the Categorically Needy;
(1c) Ensure that qualified two-parent families that qualify for assistance receive assistance prior to meeting work requirements in order to encourage families to stay together and to overcome barriers to selfsufficiency and gainful employment."
Section 3. G.S. 108A-27.1 is repealed.
Section 4. Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the

