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HOUSE BILL 643

Short Title: Child-Caring Institution Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Nye; and Cansler.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 29, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR PRIVATE CHILD-CARING INSTITUTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. These funds shall be used to increase the reimbursement rate for the State-funded portion of the services provided by private child-caring institutions to children who are not eligible for federal IV-E subsidies. Counties shall not reduce their contributions as a result of the additional funds appropriated under this act. County contributions to the cost of care shall continue to be negotiated between the counties and the private child-caring agencies. County contributions shall not be used to reduce or offset State reimbursement for the cost of care in private child-caring institutions.

Section 2. The sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year shall be transferred from the TANF Block Grant to the Social Services Block Grant for the Division of Social Services and shall be used for child-caring institutions. These funds are in addition to the funds appropriated

1 by Section 1 of this act and shall be used consistent with the provisions of Section 1 of
2 this act.

3 Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.