GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

S SENATE BILL 986

Short Title: Students with Disabilities/Medicaid. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Reeves; Clodfelter and Foxx.

Referred to: Health & Human Resources.

April 3, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES TO ENSURE MAXIMUM FUNDING FOR MEDICAID-RELATED SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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SECTION 1. Part 6 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes is amended by adding the following new section to read:

"§ 108A-55.1. Collaboration among agencies to ensure Medicaid-related services payments to eligible students with disabilities in public schools.

The Department shall work with the Department of Public Instruction and local education agencies to develop efficient, effective, and appropriate administrative procedures and guidelines to provide maximum funding for Medicaid-related services for Medicaid-eligible students with disabilities. The procedures and guidelines shall be streamlined to ensure that local education agencies receive Medicaid reimbursement in a timely manner for Medicaid-related services and administrative outreach to Medicaid-eligible students with disabilities."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.