

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH60568-LG-449 (04/12)

Short Title: ECU Auditory Learning Center Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives McLawhorn, Warren, Farmer-Butterfield, and Tolson
(Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ENABLE RURAL DEAF SCHOOL-AGED
CHILDREN WITH COCHLEAR IMPLANTS TO MAXIMIZE THEIR
LANGUAGE AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of
Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of two hundred thousand
dollars (\$200,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to fund a project by the East Carolina
University Health Sciences Division. The purpose of the project would be to enable deaf
children with cochlear implants to maximize their potential to develop spoken language.
These funds shall be used to: (i) train teachers and therapists in the eastern region to
work with deaf school-age children with cochlear implants; (ii) coordinate educational
planning between the clinical team and the school system; and (iii) establish an
advanced technological communication network to provide expedited access for
educators and therapists to informational and training resources.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.