

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 1520**

Short Title: Tuition Surcharge/Double Major or 2 Degrees. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Tolson; and Hughes.

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Referred to: Education, if favorable, Appropriations.

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April 20, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE AN EXCEPTION TO THE TUITION SURCHARGE POLICY OF  
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE DOUBLE  
MAJORS OR ARE EARNING COMBINED BACHELOR'S DEGREES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Subsection (b) of Section 89 of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws, as amended by Section 17.10 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"(b) The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall ensure that procedures are established that are necessary to impose a twenty-five percent (25%) tuition surcharge on students who take more than 140 degree credit hours to complete a baccalaureate degree in a four-year program or more than one hundred ten percent (110%) of the credit hours necessary to complete a baccalaureate degree in any program officially designated by the Board of Governors as a five-year program. The calculation of these credit hours taken at a constituent institution or accepted for transfer shall exclude hours earned through the College Board's Advanced Placement or CLEP examinations, through institutional advanced placement or course validation, or through summer term or extension programs. No surcharge shall be imposed on any student who exceeds the degree credit hour limits within the equivalent of four academic years of regular term enrollment, or within five academic years of regular term enrollment in a degree program officially designated by the Board of Governors as a five-year program. The Board of Governors shall establish a policy that provides for an exemption to the tuition surcharge for students who have double majors or who are earning combined bachelor's degrees.

The Board shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 1, 1994, on its recommendations for implementing this surcharge."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

