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HOUSE BILL 316

Short Title: Phase Out County Share/Medicaid.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Clary; Holloway, Moore, and Preston.

Referred to: Appropriations.

February 21, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO PHASE OUT THE COUNTY SHARE OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE
OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COSTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the county portion of the nonfederal share of the State Medical Assistance Program is reduced by three percent (3%) each fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2006, until the county portion of the nonfederal share, excluding administrative costs, equals zero percent (0%). Effective July 1, 2010, one hundred percent (100%) of the nonfederal share of the costs of the Medical Assistance Program, excluding administrative costs, shall be borne by the State.

SECTION 2. Effective July 1, 2010, G.S. 108A-54 reads as rewritten:

"§ 108A-54. Authorization of Medical Assistance Program.

The Department is authorized and empowered to establish a Medical Assistance Program from ~~federal, State and county~~ federal and State appropriations and to adopt rules and regulations under which payments are to be made in accordance with the provisions of this Part. ~~The nonfederal share may be divided between the State and the counties, in a manner consistent with the provisions of the federal Social Security Act, except that the share required from the counties may not exceed the share required from the state. If a portion of the nonfederal share is required from the counties, the boards of county commissioners of the several counties shall levy, impose and collect the taxes required for the special purpose of medical assistance as provided in this Part, in an amount sufficient to cover each county's share of such assistance."~~

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.