## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

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## **SENATE BILL 1161\***

## Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 5/26/05 Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted 7/27/05 House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/06

	Short Title: Hospice Branch Office Not New Instl Hith Serv. (Public)
	Sponsors:
	Referred to:
	March 24, 2005
1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT DEFINING ADDITIONAL OFFICES OF CERTAIN EXISTING HOSPICES
3	AS NOT BEING 'NEW INSTITUTION HEALTH SERVICES' FOR THE
4	PURPOSES OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAW.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6	<b>SECTION 1.</b> G.S. 131E-176(16)o. reads as rewritten:
7	"o. The opening of an additional office by an existing home health
8	agency or hospice within its service area as defined by rules
9	adopted by the Department; or the opening of any office by an
10	existing home health agency or hospice outside its service area
11	as defined by rules adopted by the Department. An additional
12	office of an existing hospice is not a new institutional health
13	service if the additional office was licensed on or before
14	<u>December 31, 2005.</u> "
15	<b>SECTION 2.</b> This act is effective when it becomes law.