

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 1053
HOUSE BILL 1207

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR PLANNING AND INITIATING A CURRICULUM
FOR THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
AUTHORIZED BY G.S. 116-46.4.

Whereas, the North Carolina General Assembly in 1965 and again in 1969 authorized the creation of a school of medicine at East Carolina University (G.S. 116-46.4); and

Whereas, the North Carolina Board of Higher Education, chaired by the Governor, has recommended that the initial operation of the School of Medicine of East Carolina University be a first-year program in medical education operated in a cooperative arrangement with the School of Medicine of the University of North Carolina in such a manner that students who successfully complete the prescribed first-year program at East Carolina University School of Medicine are automatically accepted into the second-year class at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine; and

Whereas, pursuant to the recommendation of the North Carolina Board of Higher Education and the Governor, a special committee representing the Universities of North Carolina and East Carolina met and reached mutual agreements specifying a mandate of cooperation between the two institutions, which agreements provide for joint planning and mutual arrangements regarding admission, enrollment totals, curriculum planning, faculty, automatic progression to the second year at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, and other relevant matters, and which were duly forwarded to the Governor and the North Carolina Board of Higher Education; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Board of Higher Education has approved the agreed-upon mandate of cooperation and is of the opinion that the curriculum, facilities and provisions for transfer of students will assure a sound one-year program in medical education; and

Whereas, this course of action is recognized as a significant step in a Statewide plan for medical education, as well as a step in development of an expanded medical school at East Carolina University; and

Whereas, the commencement, by funding, of a medical school at East Carolina University provides the expertise in faculty and resources for a one-year program in medical education and provides the School of Medicine of the University of North Carolina, in cooperation with the School of Medicine of East Carolina University, as is feasible and appropriate, a base for setting up clinical affiliations for advanced medical student clinical clerkships and house staff rotations in community hospitals; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The funds appropriated to East Carolina University for the implementation of this act are for the purpose of planning and initiating a program of first-year medical education at the East Carolina University School of Medicine as authorized by G.S. 116-46.4, and as recommended by the North Carolina Board of Higher Education, and in accordance with cooperative agreements between the University of North Carolina and the School of Medicine of East Carolina University whereby the School of Medicine of East

Carolina University will provide training in medical education at the first-year level and the School of Medicine of the University of North Carolina will guarantee admission to all students satisfactorily completing the one-year medical program at East Carolina University. It is the intent of this act that these cooperative agreements between the two Universities be faithfully followed.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective on July 1, 1971.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 21st day of July, 1971.