GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 808*

Short Title: UNC/NCSU/ECU Football. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Nichols, Warner; Aldridge, Arnold, Creech, Culp, Culpepper, Edwards, Fitch, Grady, Hayes, Justus, McComas, Mercer, Miner, Mitchell, Owens, Pate, Preston, Redwine, Russell, Sherrill, Wainwright, Warner, and C. Wilson.

Referred to: Education.

April 11, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AND NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY TO PLAY EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY IN FOOTBALL.

Whereas, sporting events at North Carolina's universities are important to each university's alumni and to the citizens of the State; and

Whereas, football is a sport that the citizens of North Carolina particularly enjoy; and Whereas, the rivalry generated between neighboring schools enhances attendance, promotes ticket sales, and attracts outstanding athletes; and

Whereas, the alumni and other fans deserve to see the best competition possible; and Whereas, in fairness to all the taxpayers of North Carolina the games should be played on a home-and-home basis; and

Whereas, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University once played East Carolina University in football on a regular basis and all three teams are in Division 1-A; Now, therefore,

- 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
- Section 1. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina

 State University at Raleigh shall, beginning no later than the 1999 football season,

- schedule and play East Carolina University in varsity men's football on an annual basis,
- both on their home fields and on East Carolina's home field pursuant to a schedule to be
- 3 agreed upon by the athletic directors at each institution.
- 4 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.