

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1135*

Short Title: Expand Transitional Medicaid.

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Sponsors: Senators Martin of Guilford, Purcell, Forrester; Ballance, Dannelly, Jordan, Kinnaird, Lucas, and Phillips.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

April 15, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXPAND TRANSITIONAL MEDICAID BENEFITS FROM TWELVE MONTHS TO TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Department of Health and Human Services shall apply for federal approval or waiver, as necessary, to expand transitional Medicaid benefits for Work First families, including parents, from 12 months to 24 months. The Department shall structure the expansion in a way that maximizes the federal fund share in transitional Medicaid for 24 months.

Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, the sum of ten million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$10,700,000) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year, and the sum of nineteen million one hundred thousand dollars (\$19,100,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for the expansion of transitional Medicaid benefits as provided under Section 1 of this act.

Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.