

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 467

Short Title: State Pays 100% Medicaid/Phase In. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hartsell.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 20, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE SHALL PAY ONE HUNDRED
2 PERCENT OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE OF MEDICAID COSTS PHASED
3 IN OVER A TEN-YEAR PERIOD.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
7 county portion of the nonfederal share of the State Medical Assistance Program is
8 reduced by one and five-tenths percent (1.5%) each fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2004,
9 until the county portion of the nonfederal share, excluding administrative costs, equals
10 zero percent (0%). Effective July 1, 2013, one hundred percent (100%) of the
11 nonfederal share of the Medical Assistance Program, excluding administrative costs,
12 shall be borne by the State.

13 **SECTION 2.** Effective July 1, 2013, G.S. 108A-54 reads as rewritten:

14 "**§ 108A-54. Authorization of Medical Assistance Program.**

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

25 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
26 Department of Health and Human Services the sum of forty-nine million dollars
27 (\$49,000,000) for the 2004-2005 fiscal year. These funds shall be used to offset the
28 decrease in county contributions to the nonfederal share of the State Medical Assistance
29 Program as required under Section 1 of this act.

1 **SECTION 4.** Section 3 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2004. The
2 remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law.