

- 1 a. Evidence-based criteria available regarding efficacy or safety of
- 2 the covered treatments; and
- 3 b. Policy approval by a majority vote of the North Carolina
- 4 Physicians Advisory Group (NCPAG).

5 The target prescriber has final decision-making authority to
 6 determine which prescription drug to prescribe or refill."

7 **SECTION 2.** Section 10.36(d)(29)b.1. of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

- 8 "b. For children eligible for EPSDT services provided by:
- 9 1. Licensed or certified psychologists, licensed clinical
- 10 social workers, certified clinical nurse specialists in
- 11 psychiatric mental health advanced practice, nurse
- 12 practitioners certified as clinical nurse specialists in
- 13 psychiatric mental health advanced practice, licensed
- 14 psychological associates, licensed professional
- 15 counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists,
- 16 ~~certified~~licensed clinical addictions specialists, and
- 17 certified clinical supervisors, when Medicaid-eligible
- 18 children are referred by the Community Care of North
- 19 Carolina primary care physician, a Medicaid-enrolled
- 20 psychiatrist, or the area mental health program or local
- 21 management entity, and".

22 **SECTION 3.** Section 10.36(d)(29)c. of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

- 23 "c. For Medicaid-eligible adults, services provided by licensed or
- 24 certified psychologists, licensed clinical social workers,
- 25 certified clinical nurse specialists in psychiatric mental health
- 26 advanced practice, and nurse practitioners certified as clinical
- 27 nurse specialists in psychiatric mental health advanced practice,
- 28 licensed psychological associates, licensed professional
- 29 counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed
- 30 clinical addictions specialists, and ~~licensed~~certified clinical
- 31 supervisors, Medicaid-eligible adults may be self-referred."

32 **SECTION 4.** Section 10.55(n) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

33 **"SECTION 10.55.(n)** The sum of ~~one million five hundred thousand dollars~~
 34 ~~(\$1,500,000)~~ two million dollars (\$2,000,000) appropriated in this section to the
 35 Department of Health and Human Services in the TANF Block Grant for Boys and Girls
 36 Clubs for the 2007-2008 fiscal year shall be used to make grants for approved programs.
 37 The Department of Health and Human Services, in accordance with federal regulations
 38 for the use of TANF Block Grant funds, shall administer a grant program to award
 39 funds to the Boys and Girls Clubs across the State in order to implement programs that
 40 improve the motivation, performance, and self-esteem of youths and to implement other
 41 initiatives that would be expected to reduce gang participation, school dropout, and teen
 42 pregnancy rates. The Department shall encourage and facilitate collaboration between
 43 the Boys and Girls Clubs and Support Our Students, Communities in Schools, and
 44 similar programs to submit joint applications for the funds if appropriate."

1 **SECTION 5.** Notwithstanding any other provision of S.L. 2007-323 to the
2 contrary:

- 3 (1) Funding reductions in that act in the Department of Health and Human
4 Services, Division of Medical Assistance, due to savings from prior
5 authorization of all personal care services apply only to in-home
6 personal care services.
- 7 (2) Funds appropriated in that act to the Department of Health and Human
8 Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and
9 Substance Abuse Services, in S.L. 2007-323 for Mental Health
10 Services for Returning Vets shall be for one mental health program
11 manager position in the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years.
- 12 (3) Funds appropriated in that act to the Department of Health and Human
13 Services, Division of Health Service Regulation, for Health Care
14 Personnel Registry and Rating System for Adult Care Homes shall be
15 for 14 positions and related costs.

16 **SECTION 5.1.** Section 7.32(d)(12) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

17 "(12) Grants shall be made no later than November 1, ~~2007-2007~~, or as
18 expeditiously as possible."

19 **SECTION 5.2.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

20 **"COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS FUNDS**

21 **SECTION 7.41.** Notwithstanding Page F-9, Item 36, of the Joint Conference
22 Committee Report on the Continuation, Expansion, and Capital Budgets, dated July 27,
23 2007, or any other provision of S.L. 2007-323, funds appropriated to the Department of
24 Public Instruction as a pass-through for Communities in Schools of North Carolina,
25 Inc., shall be used by that nonprofit corporation to assist with the establishment and
26 development of local student support programs designed to prevent academic failure
27 and dropouts. Communities in Schools of North Carolina, Inc., may provide these
28 funds to local programs as "seed money" for both new and established programs and
29 may use funds from its cash reserves for additional grants to local programs."

30 **SECTION 5.3.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

31 **"JOINT LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SCHOOL**
32 **FUNDING FORMULAS**

33 **SECTION 7.42.(a)** There is created the Joint Legislative Study Committee on
34 Public School Funding Formulas. The Committee shall consist of 10 members of the
35 House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives
36 and 10 members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
37 The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint a cochair, and the President
38 Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint a cochair for the Committee.

39 The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers
40 provided for under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The
41 Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services as provided by
42 G.S. 120-32.02.

43 Subject to the approval of the Legislative Services Commission, the Committee may
44 meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building. The Legislative

1 Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Officer, shall assign
2 professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. The House of Representatives'
3 and the Senate's Directors of Legislative Assistants shall assign clerical support staff to
4 the Committee, and the expenses relating to the clerical employees shall be borne by the
5 Committee.

6 **SECTION 7.42.(b)** The Committee shall perform an extensive study of all public
7 school funding formulas and distributions, including, but not limited to:

- 8 (1) School Capital Fund.
- 9 (2) Lottery School Construction Formula.
- 10 (3) Children with Disabilities.
- 11 (4) Limited English Proficiency.
- 12 (5) At-Risk Student Services/Alternative Schools.
- 13 (6) Improving Student Accountability.
- 14 (7) Disadvantaged Students Supplemental.
- 15 (8) Low-Wealth Counties Supplemental Funding.
- 16 (9) Small County Supplemental Funding.
- 17 (10) Transportation of Pupils.
- 18 (11) Academically or Intellectually Gifted.
- 19 (12) Number of school systems funded per county.

20 **SECTION 7.42.(c)** The Committee shall also study the State Board of Education's
21 model for projecting average daily membership and focus particularly on how well the
22 model projects average daily membership in rapidly growing local school administrative
23 units with a highly mobile population.

24 **SECTION 7.42.(d)** The Committee shall submit a report of its findings and
25 recommendations, including any legislative recommendations, to the 2008 Regular
26 Session of the 2007 General Assembly. The Committee shall terminate upon filing its
27 report.

28 **SECTION 7.42.(e)** From funds available to the General Assembly, the Committee
29 may use up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to conduct this study, subject to the
30 approval of the Legislative Services Commission chairs.

31 **SECTION 7.42.(f)** In preparation of the Committee's work, the chairs of the
32 Legislative Services Commission may hire consultants prior to the first meeting of the
33 Committee."

34 **SECTION 6.1.** Notwithstanding page H-4, line 18 of the Joint Conference
35 Committee Report on the Continuation, Expansion, and Capital Budgets dated July 27,
36 2007, or any other provision of S.L. 2007-323, funding is provided for grants to retrofit
37 existing school bus engines to reduce diesel emissions only if House Bill 1912 of the
38 2007 General Assembly becomes law.

39 **SECTION 7.** If Senate Bill 613 is enacted and recodifies G.S. 143B-437.10
40 as G.S. 143B-437.010, then subdivision (4) of Section 13.14(d) of S.L. 2007-323 reads
41 as rewritten:

- 42 "(3) It is located in a small town with a population under 10,000, an
43 agrarian growth zone as defined in ~~G.S. 143B-437.10,~~

1 G.S. 143B-437.010, or an urban progress zone as defined in
2 G.S. 143B-437.09."

3 **SECTION 8.** Section 14.25(m) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

4 "**SECTION 14.25.(m)** ~~The 10~~ Ten of the 11 assistant district attorney positions
5 established for District 22A by subsection (j) of this section shall be filled by 10
6 assistant district attorneys currently serving Alexander and Iredell Counties in District
7 22. ~~The 10~~ Ten of the 11 assistant district attorney positions established for District 22B
8 by subsection (j) of this section shall be filled by 10 assistant district attorneys currently
9 serving ~~Alexander and Iredell~~ Davidson and Davie Counties in District 22."

10 **SECTION 9.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 "**EMERGENCY JUDGE PAY**

12 **SECTION 14.26.** G.S. 7A-52(b) reads as rewritten:

13 '(b) In addition to the compensation or retirement allowance the judge would
14 otherwise be entitled to receive by law, each emergency judge of the district or superior
15 court who is assigned to temporary active service by the Chief Justice shall be paid by
16 the State the judge's actual expenses, plus ~~three hundred dollars (\$300.00)~~ four hundred
17 dollars (\$400.00) for each day of active service rendered upon recall. No recalled retired
18 trial judge shall receive from the State total annual compensation for judicial services in
19 excess of that received by an active judge of the bench to which the judge is recalled."

20 **SECTION 9.1.(a)** G.S. 7A-305(a3), as enacted by Section 2 of S.L.
21 2007-293, reads as rewritten:

22 "(a3) A petition for a limited driving privilege under G.S. 20-20.1 is subject to the
23 court costs assessed under subsection (a) of this ~~section plus an additional filing fee of~~
24 ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00). The additional filing fee must be remitted to the State~~
25 ~~Treasurer and used for support of the General Court of Justice.~~section."

26 **SECTION 9.1.(b)** G.S. 20-20.2, as enacted by Section 30.11(b) of S.L.
27 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

28 "**§ 20-20.2. Processing fee for limited driving privilege.**

29 Upon the issuance of a limited driving privilege by a court under this Chapter, the
30 applicant or petitioner must pay, in addition to any other costs associated with obtaining
31 the privilege, ~~the a processing fee imposed under G.S. 7A 305(a3) of one hundred~~
32 dollars (\$100.00). The applicant or petitioner shall pay this fee to the clerk of superior
33 court in the county in which the limited driving privilege is issued. The fee must be
34 remitted to the State Treasurer and used for support of the General Court of Justice. The
35 failure to pay this fee shall render the privilege invalid."

36 **SECTION 9.1.(c)** Subsections (c) and (d) of Section 30.11 of S.L. 2007-323
37 are repealed.

38 **SECTION 9.1.(d)** Subsection (a) of this section becomes effective
39 December 1, 2007. Subsection (b) of this section becomes effective August 1, 2007, and
40 applies to costs assessed on or after that date. The remainder of this section is effective
41 when it becomes law.

42 **SECTION 9.2.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

43 "**STUDY AVAILABILITY AND UTILIZATION OF MINORITY-OWNED AND**
44 **WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**

1 **SECTION 19.4.** The Department of Administration may conduct a study on the
2 availability and utilization of minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises
3 and examine relevant evidence of the effects of race-based and gender-based
4 discrimination upon the utilization of such business enterprises in contracts for
5 planning, design, preconstruction, construction, maintenance, renovation, or repairs of
6 State building projects, including building projects performed by a private entity on a
7 facility to be leased or purchased by the State. The study may include local government
8 units or other public or private entities that receive State funding for a building or utility
9 project, or other State grant funds for such projects performed by a private entity on a
10 facility to be leased or purchased by the local government unit. The study may further
11 examine relevant evidence of the effects of race-based and gender-based discrimination
12 upon the utilization of such business enterprises in contracts for the procurement of
13 materials, supplies, equipment, apparatus, or other goods and services by all State
14 entities. The Director of the Budget is authorized within funds available in any State
15 agency to use up to one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the study
16 authorized under this section."

17 **SECTION 10.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:
18 "**AID TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

19 **SECTION 21.4.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the contrary, the
20 Department of Cultural Resources shall distribute increases in the appropriation to
21 public libraries based on the existing formula for Aid to Public Libraries."

22 **SECTION 10.1.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:
23 "**APPROPRIATION OF SPECIAL PLATES REVENUES**

24 **SECTION 27.20.(a)** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
25 '(c1) In accordance with G.S. 143C-1-2, the transfers mandated in this section are
26 appropriations made by law.'

27 **SECTION 27.20.(b)** G.S. 20-79.7(c)(3) reads as rewritten:

28 '(3) The Division shall transfer the remaining revenue in the Special
29 Registration Plate Account quarterly—quarterly, and funds are hereby
30 appropriated, as follows:

31 "

32 **SECTION 11.** Section 28.22A of S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a
33 new subsection to read:

34 "**SECTION 28.22A.(m1)** G.S. 135-39.6A(a) reads as rewritten:

35 '(a) The Executive Administrator and Board of Trustees shall, from time to time,
36 establish premium rates for the Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive Major
37 Medical Plan except as they may be established by the General Assembly in the Current
38 Operations Appropriations Act, and establish regulations for payment of the premiums.
39 Premium rates shall be established for coverages where Medicare is the primary payer
40 of health benefits separate and apart from the rates established for coverages where
41 Medicare is not the primary payer of health benefits."

42 **SECTION 12.** Section 28.22A(o) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

43 "**SECTION 28.22A.(o)** Effective July 1, 2008, the Revisor of Statutes shall delete
44 all statutory references to "Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive Major

1 Medical Plan" and "North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Comprehensive
2 Major Medical Plan" and substitute therefor "State Health Plan for Teachers and State
3 Employees."

4 **SECTION 13.** Notwithstanding any other provision of S.L. 2007-323:

- 5 (1) The capital planning funds appropriated in that act for the design of an
6 addition to Scotland Correctional Institution shall be used for a
7 minimum security addition rather than a medium security addition; and
8 (2) The capital planning funds appropriated in that act for the design of an
9 addition to Lanesboro Correctional Institution shall be used for a
10 medium security addition rather than a minimum security addition.

11 **SECTION 14.** Notwithstanding any other provision of S.L. 2007-323, the
12 capital funds appropriated in this act for berth structure improvements at the Port of
13 Morehead City are not limited to the construction of a new transit shed at the Port, nor is
14 the total project cost limited to the sum of three million two hundred seventy thousand
15 dollars (\$3,270,000).

16 **SECTION 14.1.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

17 **"NORTH CAROLINA AQUARIUMS FUND EXPENDITURES**

18 **SECTION 29.15.** Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-8-7, and subject to approval by the
19 Director of the Budget, during the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium, the Aquariums Division
20 of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources may expend funds from the
21 North Carolina Aquariums Fund for capital improvements projects."

22 **SECTION 14.2.** S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a new section to read:

23 **"TRANSFER OF REVENUE COLLECTIONS AND EXAMINATIONS**
24 **DIVISION POSITIONS**

25 **SECTION 24.6.** Notwithstanding item 47 in the Joint Conference Committee
26 Report on the Continuation, Expansion, and Capital Budgets, dated July 27, 2007, the
27 Department of Revenue shall move 39 positions in the Collections and Examinations
28 Division from General Fund to receipt supported, as opposed to the 45 positions listed
29 in the Committee Report."

30 **SECTION 14.3.** Section 24.3(c) of S.L. 2007-323 reads as rewritten:

31 **"SECTION 24.3.(c)** This section is effective for taxable years beginning on or after
32 January 1, 2007.January 1, 2008."

33 **SECTION 14.4.(a)** G.S. 105-522(a)(2), as enacted by Section 31.16.4(c) of
34 S.L. 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

35 "(2) Hold harmless amount. – The sum of the ~~following:~~following
36 distributed to a municipality for the month:

- 37 a. Fifty percent (50%) of the amount of sales and use tax revenue
38 distributed under Article 40 of this ~~Chapter to the municipality~~
39 ~~for a month,~~ Chapter, other than revenue from the sale of food
40 that is subject to local tax but is exempt from State tax under
41 G.S. 105-164.13B.
42 b. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of sales and use tax
43 revenue distributed under Article 39 of this Chapter or under
44 Chapter 1096 of the 1967 Session Laws, other than revenue

1 from the sale of food that is subject to local tax but is exempt
2 from State tax under G.S. 105-164.13B.

- 3 c. ~~The amount determined under sub-subdivision a. of this~~
4 ~~subdivision subtracted from the amount determined under~~
5 ~~sub-subdivision b. of this subdivision. by subtracting~~
6 twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of sales and use tax
7 revenue distributed under Article 39 of this Chapter or under
8 Chapter 1096 of the 1967 Session Laws from fifty percent
9 (50%) of the amount distributed under Article 40 of this
10 Chapter. This calculation determines the effect of distributing a
11 one-quarter percent (.25%) tax on the basis of point of origin
12 instead of on a per capita basis. If the difference is negative, the
13 result increases the hold harmless amount."

14 **SECTION 14.4.(b)** G.S. 105-523(a)(2), as enacted by Section 31.16.4(d) of
15 S.L. 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

16 "(2) Repealed sales tax amount. – The sum of the ~~following:~~following
17 distributed to a county for the month:

- 18 a. Fifty percent (50%) of the amount of sales and use tax revenue
19 distributed ~~to a county~~ under Article 40 of this Chapter, other
20 than revenue from the sale of food that is subject to local tax but
21 is exempt from State tax under G.S. 105-164.13B.
- 22 b. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of sales and use tax
23 revenue distributed under Article 39 of this Chapter or under
24 Chapter 1096 of the 1967 Session Laws, other than revenue
25 from the sale of food that is subject to local tax but is exempt
26 from State tax under G.S. 105-164.13B.
- 27 c. ~~The amount determined under sub-subdivision a. of this~~
28 ~~subdivision subtracted from the amount determined under~~
29 ~~sub-subdivision b. of this subdivision. by subtracting~~
30 twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of sales and use tax
31 revenue distributed under Article 39 of this Chapter or under
32 Chapter 1096 of the 1967 Session Laws from fifty percent
33 (50%) of the amount distributed under Article 40 of this
34 Chapter. This calculation determines the effect of distributing a
35 one-quarter percent (.25%) tax on the basis of point of origin
36 instead of on a per capita basis. If the difference is negative, the
37 result increases the hold harmless amount."

38 **SECTION 14.4.(c)** This section becomes effective October 1, 2009, and
39 applies to distributions for months beginning on or after that date.

40 **SECTION 14.5.(a)** G.S. 105-538, as enacted by Section 31.17(b) of S.L.
41 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

42 "**§ 105-538. Administration of taxes.**

43 Except as provided in this Article, the adoption, levy, collection, administration, and
44 repeal of these additional taxes must be in accordance with Article 39 of this Chapter.

1 G.S. 105-468.1 is an administrative provision that applies to this Article. A tax levied
2 under this Article does not apply to the sales price of food that is exempt from tax
3 pursuant to G.S. 105-164.13B. The Secretary shall not divide the amount allocated to a
4 county between the county and the municipalities within the county. Notwithstanding
5 the provisions of G.S. 105-467(c), during the 2008 calendar year a tax levied under this
6 Article may become effective on the first day of any calendar quarter so long as the
7 county gives the Secretary at least 60 days' advance notice of the new tax levy."

8 **SECTION 14.5.(b)** This section is effective when it becomes law.

9 **SECTION 14.6.(a)** G.S. 105-164.14(n), as enacted by Section 31.20(b) of
10 S.L. 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

11 "(n) Analytical Services Supplies. – A taxpayer engaged in analytical services in
12 this State is allowed a refund of ~~fifty percent (50%) of the eligible amount of sales and~~
13 ~~use tax paid by it in this State on State.~~ The amount of the refund is the greater of the
14 following:

15 (1) Fifty percent (50%) of the eligible amount sales and use tax paid by it
16 on tangible personal property that is consumed or transformed in
17 analytical service activities. The eligible amount of sales and use tax
18 paid by the taxpayer in this State is the amount by which sales and use
19 taxes paid by the taxpayer in this State in the fiscal year exceed the
20 amount paid by the taxpayer in this State in the 2006-2007 State fiscal
21 year.

22 (2) Fifty percent (50%) of the amount of sales and use tax paid by it in the
23 fiscal year on medical reagents.

24 A request for a refund must be in writing and must include any information and
25 documentation that the Secretary requires. A request for a refund is due within six
26 months after the end of the State's fiscal year. Refunds applied for after the due date are
27 barred."

28 **SECTION 14.6.(b)** This section becomes effective July 1, 2007, and applies
29 to purchases made on or after that date.

30 **SECTION 14.7.(a)** G.S. 105-129.95, as enacted by Section 31.23(a) of S.L.
31 2007-323, reads as rewritten:

32 "**§ 105-129.95. Definitions.**

33 The following definitions apply in this Article:

34 (1) Costs of construction. – The costs of acquiring and improving land,
35 constructing buildings and other structures, ~~and equipping the facility.~~
36 facility, and constructing and equipping rail tracks to the railroad
37 intermodal facility that are necessary to access and support facility
38 operations. In the case of property owned or leased by the taxpayer,
39 cost is determined pursuant to regulations adopted under section 1012
40 of the Code.

41 (2) Eligible railroad intermodal facility. – A railroad intermodal facility
42 whose costs of construction exceed thirty million dollars
43 (\$30,000,000).

1 (3) Intermodal facility. – A facility where freight is transferred from one
2 mode of transportation to another.

3 (4) Railroad intermodal facility. – An intermodal facility whose primary
4 purpose is to transfer freight between a railroad and another mode of
5 transportation."

6 **SECTION 14.7.(b)** This section becomes effective for taxable years
7 beginning on or after January 1, 2007.

8 **SECTION 14.8.(a)** Section 24.4 of S.L. 2007-323 is repealed.

9 **SECTION 14.8.(b)** Notwithstanding Page J2, Item 8, and Page J16, Item 49
10 of the Joint Conference Committee Report on the Continuation, Expansion, and Capital
11 Budgets dated July 27, 2007, funds shall not be transferred from the Department of
12 Revenue to the Department of Administration for the support of the positions of an
13 Administrative Hearings Officer and an associated Administrative Assistant.

14 **SECTION 14.8.(c)** Notwithstanding Section 24.4 of S.L. 2007-323, as
15 repealed by this act, the actions taken by the Administrative Hearings Officer at the
16 Department of Revenue from the period beginning July 1, 2007, are given full force and
17 effect as if Section 24.4 of S.L. 2007-323 had never been enacted. Notwithstanding any
18 provision of G.S. 105-259 to the contrary, any officer, employee, or agent of the State
19 that provided access to tax information to the Administrative Hearings Officer or
20 Administrative Assistant transferred under Section 24.4 of S.L. 2007-323 is not guilty
21 of any offense to the extent that the provision of the information would have been
22 authorized by that statute if the transfer had not occurred.

23 **SECTION 14.9.(a)** Section 31.2 of S.L. 2007-323 is amended by adding a
24 new subsection to read:

25 **"SECTION 31.2.(d)** A retailer is not liable for an over-collection or
26 under-collection of sales tax if the retailer has made a good faith effort to comply with
27 the law and collect the proper amount of tax and has, due to the change in the rate of tax
28 imposed under this section, over-collected or under-collected the amount of sales tax
29 that is due. This subsection applies only to the period beginning August 1, 2007, and
30 ending September 1, 2007."

31 **SECTION 14.9.(b)** This section is effective when it becomes law.

32 **SECTION 15.** Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July
33 1, 2007.