

March 27, 2007

**S 1518. JEANNE LUCAS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.** Filed 3/27/07. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH THE JEANNE LUCAS SCHOLARSHIP FUND AT NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.*

Appropriates \$500,000 for 2007-08 and \$500,000 for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to establish need-based scholarships for students at North Carolina Central University who intend to pursue degrees in the state's high priority disciplines. Criteria for the scholarships are to be set by the Chancellor and the Board of Trustees in consultation with the State Education Assistance Authority. Effective July 1, 2007.

**Intro. by Atwater.**

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July 12, 2007

**S 1518. JEANNE LUCAS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.** Filed 3/27/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes the appropriation of funds (\$500,000 for 2007-08 and 2008-09, respectively) for the Jeanne Lucas Scholarship Fund at NCCU, to an allocation conditional upon funds being appropriated by the 2007 General Assembly to a reserve for pending legislation.

July 17, 2007

**S 1518. JEANNE HOPKINS LUCAS SCHOLARSHIP FUND (NEW).** Filed 3/27/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Enacts new GS 116-209.41 to establish the Jeanne Hopkins Lucas Scholarship Fund (JHL Fund) as a special fund administered by the State Education Assistance Authority (SEAA). Provides specifications as to the disposition of JHL Fund earnings, assets, and balances. Directs that interest from the JHL Fund be used to provide two need-based scholarships, in the amount of \$2,500 each per academic year, at each of the State's public historically black colleges and universities to students pursuing degrees in high-priority disciplines (was, to provide need-based scholarships to students at NCCU pursuing degrees in high-priority disciplines). Provides eligibility requirements for receiving a JHL Fund scholarship (was, eligibility criteria to be developed by the NCCU Chancellor and Board of Trustees in consultation with the SEAA). Permits the chancellor or president and the board of trustees for each public historically black college or university to designate students as recipients of a JHL Fund scholarship. Provides the SEAA with rulemaking authority to administer the JHL Fund and directs SEAA to report regarding JHL scholarships awarded no later than June 1, 2008, and annually thereafter to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee. Provides that if funds are appropriated by the 2007 General Assembly to a reserve for pending legislation, \$500,000 of those funds are to be allocated for 2007-08 to the JHL Fund scholarship (was, also an allocation of \$500,000 for 2008-09).

Directs that no scholarship be awarded under the act prior to the 2008-09 academic year but retains the July 1, 2007, effective date.