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**S 877. VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS/FREE CLINICS.** Filed 3/15/07. *TO DEEM VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AS STATE AGENTS FOR DELIVERY OF CERTAIN HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO PATIENTS OF CLINICS THAT PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SERVICES WITHOUT CHARGE TO ENCOURAGE VOLUNTEERISM AT SUCH CLINICS.*

Enacts GS 143-300.1B to make volunteer health care providers agents of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) if the provider registers with DHHS before providing services and the provider has no financial interest in the clinic they are volunteering at. Provides for the handling of legal claims against volunteer health care providers. Directs DHHS to adopt rules concerning volunteer health care providers. Makes conforming changes. Effective July 1, 2008.

**Intro. by Bingham.**

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