March 16, 2009

S 627. FUNDS/MOBILE DENTAL X-RAY/MOM CLINICS. Filed 3/16/09. TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND OPERATE A MOBILE DENTAL E-RAY UNIT FOR USE AT THE MISSION OF MERCY FREE DENTAL CLINIC PROJECTS.

Appropriates \$550,000 for 2009-10 from the General Fund to the North Carolina Dental Health Fund, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, to fund the purchase, equipping, inspection-qualifying, and operation of a mobile dental x-ray/imaging truck or van, including space and media equipment for prevention education and training for patients waiting for treatment. The funds are to be used primarily to serve patients at the North Carolina Dental Society and Open Door Clinic of Alamance County operated and sponsored Mission of Mercy (MOM) free dental clinics. When not scheduled for this purpose, allows the mobile unit to serve other related and similar outreach projects and programs that deliver free or low-cost dental care to needy and underserved populations.

Appropriates \$25,000 for 2010-11 from the General Fund to the North Carolina Dental Health Fund, Inc. (Fund),to fund the maintenance, testing and inspection, service, support, and operation of the mobile dental x-ray/imaging truck or van.

Requires that the use of the mobile dental x-ray/imaging truck or van be controlled by the Fund in consultation with the MOM project leaders.

Effective July 1, 2009.

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