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HOUSE BILL DRH40316-MK-77

Short Title: Various Higher Education Changes. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Fraley.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO HIGHER EDUCATION LAWS, AS  
3 RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND THE  
4 BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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7 **PART I. THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**

8 **SECTION 1.1.(a)** Reporting Changes. – G.S. 115D-5(b2) reads as rewritten:

9 "(b2) Beginning February 1, 2018, and annually thereafter, the ~~State Board of Community~~  
10 Colleges System Office shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on  
11 the number and type of waivers granted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section."

12 **SECTION 1.1.(b)** G.S. 115D-5.1(f) reads as rewritten:

13 "(f) The ~~State Board Community Colleges System Office~~ shall report ~~on an annual basis~~  
14 no later than September 1 of each year to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee  
15 on:

- 16 (1) The total amount of funds received by a company under the Customized  
17 Training ~~Program;Program.~~  
18 (1a) The types of services sought by the company, whether for new, expanding, or  
19 existing industry.  
20 (2) The amount of funds per trainee received by that ~~company;company.~~  
21 (3) The amount of funds received per trainee by the community college delivering  
22 the ~~training;training.~~  
23 (4) The number of trainees trained by the company and community ~~college;~~  
24 and college.  
25 (5) The number of years that company has been funded."

26 **SECTION 1.1.(c)** G.S. 115D-9(g) reads as rewritten:

27 "(g) The ~~State Board Community Colleges System Office~~ shall annually report to the State  
28 Building Commission the following:

- 29 (1) A list of projects governed by this section.  
30 (2) The estimated cost of each project along with the actual cost.  
31 (3) The name of each person awarded a contract under this section.  
32 (4) Whether the person or business awarded a contract under this section meets  
33 the definition of "minority business" or "minority person" as defined in  
34 G.S. 143-128.2(g)."

35 **SECTION 1.1.(d)** G.S. 115D-11.6 reads as rewritten:

36 "§ 115D-11.6. Apprenticeship Council.



1 The State Board of Community Colleges shall appoint an Apprenticeship Council composed  
2 of four representatives each from employer and employee organizations respectively and three  
3 representatives from the public at large. One State official designated by the Department of  
4 Public Instruction and one State official designated by the Department of Commerce shall be a  
5 member ex officio of the council, without vote. The terms of office of the members of the  
6 Apprenticeship Council shall be designated by the State Board. Any member appointed to fill a  
7 vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term of his or her predecessor shall be appointed  
8 for the remainder of the term. Each member of the Council not otherwise compensated by public  
9 moneys, shall be reimbursed for transportation and shall receive such per diem compensation as  
10 is provided generally for boards and commissions under the biennial maintenance appropriation  
11 acts for each day spent in attendance at meetings of the Apprenticeship Council. The State Board  
12 of Community Colleges shall annually appoint one member of the Council to act as its chair.

13 The Apprenticeship Council shall meet at the call of the State Board of Community Colleges  
14 and shall aid the State Board and the Community Colleges System Office in formulating policies  
15 for the effective administration of this Article. The Apprenticeship Council shall establish  
16 standards for apprentice agreements which in no case shall be lower than those prescribed by this  
17 Article, shall recommend rules and regulations to the State Board of Community Colleges as may  
18 be necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this Article, and shall perform other functions  
19 as the State Board of Community Colleges may direct. ~~Not less than once a~~ No later than  
20 September 1 of each year the Apprenticeship Council shall make a report through the Community  
21 Colleges System Office of its activities and findings to the public and to the Joint Legislative  
22 Education Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources;  
23 Committee, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Natural, and  
24 Economic Resources; Education/Higher Education, and the chairs of the House of  
25 Representatives Appropriations Committee on ~~Agriculture and Natural and Economic~~  
26 ~~Resources.~~ Education."

27 **SECTION 1.1.(e)** G.S. 126-8.3(c) reads as rewritten:

28 "(c) The State Human Resources Commission, the State Board of Education, and the ~~State~~  
29 ~~Board of Community Colleges~~ System Office and all State agencies, departments, and  
30 institutions shall annually report to the Office of State Human Resources on the voluntary shared  
31 leave program. For the prior fiscal year, the report shall include the total number of days or hours  
32 of vacation leave and sick leave donated and used by voluntary shared leave recipients and the  
33 total cost of the vacation leave and sick leave donated and used."

34 **SECTION 1.2.** Community colleges permitted to provide insurance in lieu of bond.

35 – G.S. 115D-58.10 reads as rewritten:

36 **"§ 115D-58.10. Surety ~~bonds~~, bonds and related insurance.**

37 The State Board of Community Colleges shall determine what State employees and  
38 employees of institutions shall give bonds or be insured for the protection of State funds and  
39 property and the State Board is authorized to place the ~~bonds~~ bonds, determine adequate  
40 insurance coverage, and pay the premiums thereon from State funds.

41 The board of trustees of each institution shall require all institutional employees authorized  
42 to draw or approve checks or vouchers drawn on local funds, and all persons authorized or  
43 permitted to receive institutional funds from whatever source, and all persons responsible for or  
44 authorized to handle institutional property, to be bonded by a surety company authorized to do  
45 business with the State in such amount as the board of trustees deems sufficient for the protection  
46 of such property and funds. In lieu of a bond, the board of trustees may obtain and maintain  
47 adequate insurance coverage sufficient for the protection of institutional funds and property. The  
48 tax-levying authority of each institution shall provide the funds necessary for the payment of the  
49 premiums of ~~such bonds, the bonds or for insurance coverage.~~

50 **SECTION 1.3.(a)** Codify the President's Authority to Reorganize. – G.S. 115D-3  
51 reads as rewritten:

1 **"§ 115D-3. Community Colleges System Office; ~~staff~~; reorganization authority.**

2 (a) The Community Colleges System Office shall be a principal administrative  
3 department of State government under the direction of the State Board of Community Colleges,  
4 and shall be separate from the free public school system of the State, the State Board of  
5 Education, and the Department of Public Instruction. The State Board has authority to adopt and  
6 administer all policies, regulations, and standards which it deems necessary for the operation of  
7 the System Office.

8 The State Board shall elect a President of the North Carolina System of Community Colleges  
9 who shall serve as chief administrative officer of the Community Colleges System Office. The  
10 compensation of this position shall be fixed by the State Board from funds provided by the  
11 General Assembly in the Current Operations Appropriations Act.

12 The President shall be assisted by such professional staff members as may be deemed  
13 necessary to carry out the provisions of this Chapter, who shall be elected by the State Board on  
14 nomination of the President. The compensation of the staff members elected by the Board shall  
15 be fixed by the State Board of Community Colleges, upon recommendation of the President of  
16 the Community College System, from funds provided in the Current Operations Appropriations  
17 Act. These staff members shall include such officers as may be deemed desirable by the President  
18 and State Board. Provision shall be made for persons of high competence and strong professional  
19 experience in such areas as academic affairs, public service programs, business and financial  
20 affairs, institutional studies and long-range planning, student affairs, research, legal affairs,  
21 health affairs and institutional development, and for State and federal programs administered by  
22 the State Board. In addition, the President shall be assisted by such other employees as may be  
23 needed to carry out the provisions of this Chapter, who shall be subject to the provisions of  
24 Chapter 126 of the General Statutes. The staff complement shall be established by the State Board  
25 on recommendation of the President to insure that there are persons on the staff who have the  
26 professional competence and experience to carry out the duties assigned and to insure that there  
27 are persons on the staff who are familiar with the problems and capabilities of all of the principal  
28 types of institutions represented in the system. The State Board of Community Colleges shall  
29 have all other powers, duties, and responsibilities delegated to the State Board of Education  
30 affecting the Community Colleges System Office not otherwise stated in this Chapter.

31 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the President may reorganize the System  
32 Office in accordance with recommendations and plans submitted to and approved by the State  
33 Board of Community Colleges. If a reorganization is implemented pursuant to this subsection,  
34 including any movement of positions and funds between fund codes on a recurring basis, the  
35 President shall report by March 1 of the fiscal year in which the reorganization occurred to the  
36 Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee."

37 **SECTION 1.3.(b)** This section becomes effective July 1, 2019.

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39 **PART II. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM**

40 **SECTION 2.1.(a)** NC Teaching Fellows Program. – G.S. 116-209.62 reads as  
41 rewritten:

42 **"§ 116-209.62. North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program established; administration.**

43 ...

44 (f) Program Selection Criteria. – The Authority shall administer the Program in  
45 cooperation with ~~five~~ up to eight institutions of higher education with approved educator  
46 preparation programs selected by the Commission that represent a diverse selection of both  
47 postsecondary constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina and private  
48 postsecondary institutions operating in the State. The Commission shall adopt stringent standards  
49 for selection of the most effective educator preparation programs, including the following:

- 50 (1) Demonstrates high rates of educator effectiveness on value-added models and  
51 teacher evaluations, including using performance-based, subject-specific

- 1 assessment and support systems, such as edTPA or other metrics of evaluating  
 2 candidate effectiveness that have predictive validity.
- 3 (2) Demonstrates measurable impact of prior graduates on student learning,  
 4 including impact of graduates teaching in STEM or special education  
 5 licensure areas.
- 6 (3) Demonstrates high rates of graduates passing exams required for teacher  
 7 licensure.
- 8 (4) Provides curricular and co-curricular enhancements in leadership, facilitates  
 9 learning for diverse learners, and promotes community engagement,  
 10 classroom management, and reflection and assessment.
- 11 (5) Requires at least a minor concentration of study in the subject area that the  
 12 candidate may teach.
- 13 (6) Provides early and frequent internship or practical experiences, including the  
 14 opportunity for participants to perform practicums in diverse school  
 15 environments.
- 16 (7) Is approved by the State Board of Education as an educator preparation  
 17 program.

18 (g) Awards of Forgivable Loans. – The Program shall provide forgivable loans to selected  
 19 students to be used at ~~the five~~ up to eight selected institutions for completion of a program leading  
 20 to initial teacher licensure as follows:

21 ...."

22 **SECTION 2.1.(b)** G.S. 116-209.62(g)(4) reads as rewritten:

23 "(4) Students matriculating at institutions of higher education who are changing to  
 24 ~~enrollment in an approved program of study at a~~ selected educator preparation  
 25 program. – Forgivable loans of up to four thousand one hundred twenty-five  
 26 dollars (\$4,125) per semester for up to four semesters."

27 **SECTION 2.1.(c)** This section becomes effective July 1, 2019. Subsection (a) of this  
 28 section applies to the award of forgivable loans beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year.  
 29 Subsection (b) of this section applies to the award of forgivable loans beginning with the  
 30 2019-2020 academic year.

31 **SECTION 2.2.(a)** UNC Laboratory Schools. – G.S. 116-239.8(b)(4) reads as  
 32 rewritten:

33 "(4) Food and transportation services. – The local school administrative unit in  
 34 which the laboratory school is located shall provide ~~food services and~~  
 35 transportation to students ~~attending who reside in the local school~~  
 36 administrative unit and attend the laboratory school, including any  
 37 students who are homeless and require assistance pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §  
 38 11301, et seq., the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. The  
 39 requirement to provide transportation to students residing in the local school  
 40 administrative unit shall (i) apply regardless of where a laboratory school  
 41 student resides in the unit or how the unit's transportation policies and  
 42 practices are applied to other students and (ii) include providing transportation  
 43 of students and personnel for laboratory school extracurricular activities and  
 44 educational trips in the same manner as other schools in the unit for that school  
 45 year. The local school administrative unit in which the laboratory school is  
 46 located shall ~~administer~~ administer, at its cost, the National School Lunch  
 47 Program for the laboratory school in accordance with G.S. 115C-264. The  
 48 chancellor shall arrange for the provision of these services from the local  
 49 school administrative unit."

50 **SECTION 2.2.(b)** G.S. 116-239.5 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

1       "(e) In addition to all other immunities provided to them by applicable State law, the  
2 Subcommittee, chancellor, the constituent institution, an advisory board, and a laboratory school,  
3 and their members, employees, and agents shall be entitled to the specific immunities provided  
4 for in Chapter 115C of the General Statutes applying to the State Board of Education,  
5 Superintendent of Public Instruction, a local board of education, a local school administrative  
6 unit, and their members and employees. Any such immunity to liability established by this  
7 subsection shall not extend to gross negligence, wanton conduct, or intentional wrongdoing that  
8 would otherwise be actionable. Immunity established by this subsection shall be deemed to be  
9 waived to the extent of indemnification under Articles 31A and 31B of Chapter 143 of the  
10 General Statutes and to the extent sovereign immunity is waived under the Tort Claims Act, as  
11 set forth in Article 31 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes."

12       **SECTION 2.2.(c)** G.S. 116-239.5(a) reads as rewritten:

13       "(a) The Board of Governors, upon recommendation by the President, shall designate at  
14 least ~~nine~~-six constituent institutions to submit proposals to establish laboratory schools to serve  
15 public school students in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The Board of Governors  
16 shall select constituent institutions with high-quality educator preparation programs as  
17 demonstrated by the annual performance measures reported by the constituent institutions in  
18 accordance with G.S. 115C-296.35. The Board of Governors' Subcommittee on Laboratory  
19 Schools established under G.S. 116-239.7 shall review the proposals and approve at least ~~nine~~  
20 six of the proposals to establish laboratory schools. The Subcommittee shall oversee the  
21 operations of those laboratory schools to meet the purposes set forth in this Article."

22       **SECTION 2.2.(d)** G.S. 116-239.7(a1) reads as rewritten:

23       "(a1) Approval of Laboratory Schools. – The Board of Governors, upon the  
24 recommendation of the President, shall designate at least ~~nine~~-six constituent institutions to  
25 establish and operate laboratory schools. The chancellor of each constituent institution shall  
26 adopt and submit to the Subcommittee a proposal to operate a laboratory school in a local school  
27 administrative unit that meets the minimum threshold for the number of low-performing schools  
28 located in the unit under G.S. 116-239.6(4). The proposal shall include the governance structure  
29 of the laboratory school. The Subcommittee shall evaluate the proposals for approval or  
30 disapproval by considering the design components and the strategic focus of the laboratory  
31 school and any other standards developed by the Subcommittee to be applicable to all laboratory  
32 schools. The Subcommittee shall also consider the location of each laboratory school so that, to  
33 the extent possible, there is a geographically diverse distribution of the laboratory schools  
34 throughout the State and a maximum of one laboratory school located in a qualifying local school  
35 administrative unit. From the proposals submitted to the Subcommittee, the Subcommittee shall  
36 approve the establishment of at least ~~nine~~-six laboratory schools."

37       **SECTION 2.2.(e)** Section 11.6(d) of S.L. 2016-94, as amended by Section 4 of S.L.  
38 2017-177, reads as rewritten:

39       "**SECTION 11.6.(d)** Notwithstanding G.S. 116-239.5, at least ~~nine~~-six laboratory schools  
40 shall be established pursuant to Article 29A of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes, as enacted  
41 by this section, and in operation by the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year."

42       **SECTION 2.2.(f)** Subsection (b) of this section applies to an action or omission of  
43 an action occurring on or after the date this act becomes law. Subsection (a) of this section applies  
44 beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

45       **SECTION 2.3.(a)** Future Teachers of North Carolina. – G.S. 116-41.30(b) reads as  
46 rewritten:

47       "(b) Program. – FTNC shall be a ~~program providing professional development and~~  
48 ~~curricula for courses that provide selective, application-based symposium for high school juniors~~  
49 ~~and seniors, offering a challenging introduction to teaching as a profession for high school~~  
50 ~~students through courses offered by participating high schools in conjunction with college~~  
51 ~~partners. profession. FTNC courses shall include both content on pedagogy and the profession~~

1 of teaching and field experiences for high school students. provide instruction on pedagogy, ethics  
2 and professionalism, child development, successful teaching strategies and classroom  
3 management practices, effective lesson planning, assessment and intervention, and requirements  
4 of teacher licensure. The FTNC Symposium should provide practical benefit to participating  
5 students, which may include interaction with current educators, administrators, and educator  
6 preparation program faculty members, a simulated student teaching experience, and information  
7 about financial aid and scholarship opportunities."

8 **SECTION 2.3.(b)** G.S. 116-41.31 reads as rewritten:

9 **"§ 116-41.31. Oversight of Future Teachers of North Carolina.**

10 (a) ~~FTNC General Administration. System Office.~~ – FTNC shall be administratively  
11 located in The University of North Carolina System Office. The President shall ~~select three~~  
12 ~~constituent institutions with highly successful schools of education located in the western,~~  
13 ~~central, and eastern regions of the State, respectively, to collaborate on development of curricula~~  
14 ~~for FTNC and to provide professional development to high school teachers who will teach FTNC~~  
15 ~~courses. The three constituent institutions shall also work with other constituent institutions and~~  
16 ~~other institutions of higher education in the State to seek input in the development of curricula~~  
17 ~~and professional development for FTNC and to create a network of college faculty to provide~~  
18 ~~support to high schools offering FTNC courses.~~ establish a Future Teachers of North Carolina  
19 Advisory Council (FTNC Council) to oversee the FTNC program. At the President's discretion,  
20 the FTNC Council shall coordinate with constituent institutions to utilize expertise from  
21 administrators, faculty, and staff members of institutions of higher education in designing the  
22 agenda and instructional content for the FTNC Symposium. The FTNC Council shall ensure  
23 diverse representation of the educator preparation programs represented at the FTNC  
24 Symposium. The FTNC Council shall also be responsible for creating an application process for  
25 interested high school students, reviewing submitted applications, selecting students to attend,  
26 and recruitment and outreach efforts.

27 (b) ~~FTNC Site Applications.~~— All high schools in the State are encouraged to offer FTNC  
28 courses to students. A high school shall apply to offer FTNC courses with the geographically  
29 appropriate constituent institution overseeing FTNC and shall ensure that all teachers teaching  
30 FTNC courses have received appropriate training. High schools shall also seek a partner  
31 institution of higher education to provide support from college faculty. High schools participating  
32 in the FTNC program shall report demographic, survey, and other available outcome data to The  
33 University of North Carolina System Office as necessary for completion of the FTNC annual  
34 report required by G.S. 116-41.32.

35 (c) ~~FTNC Institution of Higher Education Partners.~~— Constituent institutions that partner  
36 with high schools shall offer dual credit for high school students who successfully complete the  
37 FTNC course with a grade of "B" or higher. Other institutions of higher education that partner  
38 with high schools are encouraged to offer dual credit for high school students who successfully  
39 complete the FTNC course with a grade of "B" or higher. Constituent institutions shall provide  
40 annually to The University of North Carolina System Office data on students who have received  
41 dual credit for completion of an FTNC course and students who applied for admission into an  
42 educator preparation program at a constituent institution who indicated in the application for  
43 admission that the student completed an FTNC course. Other institutions of higher education are  
44 encouraged to provide annually to The University of North Carolina System Office data on  
45 students who have received dual credit for completion of an FTNC course and students who  
46 applied for admission into an educator preparation program at the institution of higher education  
47 who indicated in the application for admission that the student completed an FTNC course."

48 **SECTION 2.3.(c)** G.S. 116-41.32 reads as rewritten:

49 **"§ 116-41.32. Future Teachers of North Carolina reporting.**

50 The University of North Carolina System Office shall report annually, beginning October 15,  
51 2019, 2020, on the following:

- 1           (1) ~~Total number and names of local school administrative units with List of high~~  
 2 ~~schools and local school administrative units represented by participating in~~  
 3 ~~FTNC, total number and names of high schools offering FTNC, partner~~  
 4 ~~institution of higher education for each high school, and number of sections~~  
 5 ~~of the course being offered at each high school.~~~~students.~~  
 6           (1a) Number of students who submitted an application to attend the FTNC  
 7 Symposium.  
 8           (1b) Number of students attending the FTNC Symposium, including distribution  
 9 by region.  
 10           (2) ~~Demographic information of students enrolled in FTNC courses.~~attending the  
 11 FTNC Symposium.  
 12           (2a) Description of the event agenda and content.  
 13           (3) ~~Percentage of students who, after completing the course, attending the FTNC~~  
 14 Symposium, reported the following:  
 15           a. The student plans to choose teaching as a profession.  
 16           a1. The student plans to enroll in a community college, a constituent  
 17 institution, a private postsecondary institution located in North  
 18 Carolina, or a postsecondary institution located in another state.  
 19           b. ~~The course FTNC Symposium~~ was very or somewhat effective in  
 20 helping the student formulate a positive perception of the education  
 21 profession.  
 22           c. ~~The coursework and activities FTNC Symposium~~ increased the  
 23 student's knowledge of the teaching profession and other careers in  
 24 education.  
 25           d. ~~The field experience helped the student understand the many factors~~  
 26 ~~that contribute to effective teaching.~~  
 27           (4) ~~Percentage of students who completed an FTNC course who received dual~~  
 28 ~~credit for successful completion of the course, by institution.~~  
 29           (5) ~~Percentage of students who completed an FTNC course who applied for~~  
 30 ~~admission into an educator preparation program, by institution.~~  
 31           (6) ~~Number of teachers provided professional development for FTNC."~~

32           **SECTION 2.4.(a)** UNC Board of Governors Planning Task Force. – Section 36.6 of

33 S.L. 2018-5 reads as rewritten:

34           **"SECTION 36.6.(a)** There is created the UNC Board of Governors Planning Task Force.  
 35 The Task Force shall consist of four current Board members appointed by the Board of  
 36 Governors, one of whom shall be designated as chair. These appointments shall be made no later  
 37 than August 1, 2018.

38           **SECTION 36.6.(b)** The Task Force shall conduct a systemwide analysis of the capital needs  
 39 of the campuses of each constituent institution in relation to the Science Technology Engineering  
 40 and Mathematics (STEM) subject area, taking into account the strengths, weaknesses,  
 41 opportunities, and needs of each constituent institution, and any regional similarities and  
 42 differences. The Task Force shall also consider the impact of any relevant programmatic planning  
 43 elements being currently utilized that could be implemented as a best-practice among other  
 44 similar programmatic areas to encourage systemwide efficiencies. In particular, the Task Force  
 45 shall consider the capital needs relating to the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina  
 46 University, the UNC Applied Physical Sciences and Institute for Convergent Science in Chapel  
 47 Hill, and other STEM projects to determine areas where capital funds may be used more  
 48 efficiently and effectively. The Task Force shall use the information gathered pursuant to this  
 49 subsection to compile a UNC System Plan.

50           **SECTION 36.6.(c)** The three million dollars (\$3,000,000) appropriated to the Board of  
 51 Governors of The University of North Carolina in Section 36.2 of this act shall be used by the

1 Task Force in conducting the analysis described in subsection (b) of this section. The Task Force  
2 shall submit a preliminary report on or before April 1, 2019. On or before April 1, 2019, February  
3 1, 2020, the Task Force shall submit a final report containing the UNC System Plan and any  
4 legislative recommendations to the Joint Legislative Capital Improvements Oversight Committee  
5 and the Fiscal Research Division.

6 **SECTION 36.6.(d)** The funds appropriated in Section 36.2 of this act to the Board of  
7 Governors for the Task Force for the 2018-2019 fiscal year shall not revert at the end of the  
8 2018-2019 fiscal year but shall remain available until the end of the 2019-2020 fiscal year for  
9 the purposes set forth in this section."

10 **SECTION 2.4.(b)** This section becomes effective June 30, 2019.

11 **SECTION 2.5.(a)** UNC Enrollment Growth Funds. – The funds appropriated by S.L.  
12 2018-5 for enrollment adjustments for The University of North Carolina, including funds for the  
13 NC Promise Tuition Plan, to a reserve account in the Office of State Budget and Management  
14 for the 2018-2019 fiscal year shall not revert at the end of the 2018-2019 fiscal year but shall  
15 remain available until the end of the 2019-2020 fiscal year for the purpose of the "buy down" of  
16 any financial obligations resulting from the established tuition rate under G.S. 116-143.11  
17 incurred by Elizabeth City State University, the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, and  
18 Western Carolina University or for rapid growth at any of those constituent institutions.

19 **SECTION 2.5.(b)** This section becomes effective June 30, 2019.

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21 **PART III. EFFECTIVE DATE**

22 **SECTION 3.** Except as otherwise provided in this act, this act is effective when it  
23 becomes law.