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HOUSE BILL DRH40675-LUa-133

Short Title: Universal Pre-K.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Johnson-Hostler.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR ALL INCOME-ELIGIBLE,
FOUR-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTH CAROLINA
PREKINDERGARTEN (NC PRE-K) PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education, the sum of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) in recurring funds beginning in the 2026-2027 fiscal year to provide additional funds for all income-eligible, four-year-old children in this State to participate in the North Carolina Prekindergarten (NC Pre-K) program.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2026.



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