

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

**SESSION LAW 2002-69
SENATE BILL 1231**

AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 116-19 BY DEFINING THE TERMS "NEEDY NORTH CAROLINA STUDENTS" AND "INSTITUTIONAL METHODOLOGY".

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 116-19(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) In order to encourage and assist private institutions to continue to educate North Carolina students, the State Education Assistance Authority may enter into contracts with the institutions under the terms of which an institution receiving any funds that may be appropriated pursuant to this section would agree that, during any fiscal year in which such funds were received, the institution would provide and administer scholarship funds for needy North Carolina students in an amount at least equal to the amount paid to the institution, pursuant to this section, during the fiscal year. Under the terms of the contracts the State Education Assistance Authority would agree to pay to the institutions, subject to the availability of funds, a fixed sum of money for each North Carolina student enrolled at the institutions for the regular academic year, said sum to be determined by appropriations that might be made from time to time by the General Assembly pursuant to this section. Funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be paid by the State Education Assistance Authority to an institution on certification of the institution showing the number of North Carolina students enrolled at the institution as of October 1 of any year for which funds may be appropriated. For purposes of this subsection, "needy North Carolina students" are those eligible students who have financial need as determined by the institution under the institutional methodology or the federal methodology as defined by the State Education Assistance Authority. For purposes of this subsection, "institutional methodology" means a need-analysis formula, developed by College Scholarship Service, that determines the student's and family's capacity to pay for postsecondary education each year."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of August, 2002.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 3:40 p.m. this 12th day of August, 2002