

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 144\***

Short Title: Special Care Dentistry Collaboration. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Farmer-Butterfield, Pierce, Bordsen, Mobley (Primary Sponsors); K. Alexander, M. Alexander, Allred, Bryant, Cotham, Current, England, Faison, Fisher, E. Floyd, Glazier, Harrison, Insko, Luebke, McLawhorn, Tarleton, Tolson, Wainwright, R. Warren, Weiss, and Wray.

Referred to: Aging, if favorable, Health.

February 12, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, DIVISION OF  
2 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES,  
3 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, TO COLLABORATE WITH  
4 THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL AND EAST  
5 CAROLINA UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS OF DENTISTRY, THE NORTH CAROLINA  
6 DENTAL SOCIETY, AND CURRENT SPECIAL CARE DENTAL PROVIDERS, TO  
7 EXAMINE DENTAL CARE OPTIONS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH  
8 CAROLINA STUDY COMMISSION ON AGING.  
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10 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

11 **SECTION 1.** The Division of Medical Assistance, Division of Public Health, and  
12 Division of Aging and Adult Services in the Department of Health and Human Services shall  
13 collaborate with the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the East Carolina  
14 University Schools of Dentistry, the North Carolina Dental Society, and current providers of  
15 special care dentistry services, to examine current dental care options for special care  
16 populations. The collaboration of these groups shall result in suggestions for ways to improve  
17 the availability of services for special care populations. These groups shall report findings and  
18 recommendations to the North Carolina Study Commission on Aging and the Public Health  
19 Study Commission on or before February 1, 2010.

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

