

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1492

Short Title: UNC Tuition Amendments. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Current and Cleveland (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Education, if favorable, Appropriations.

April 13, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT TUITION MAY BE CHARGED TO STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, TO REPEAL THE LAW THAT AUTHORIZES IN-STATE TUITION STATUS FOR OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS WHO ARE AWARDED FULL SCHOLARSHIPS, AND TO INCREASE THE TUITION SURCHARGE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 116-143(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) In the event that said students are unable to pay the cost of tuition and required academic fees as the same may become due, in cash, the said several boards of trustees are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion, to accept the obligation of the student or students together with such collateral or security as they may deem necessary and proper, it being the purpose of this Article that all students in State institutions of higher learning shall be required to pay tuition, and that free tuition is hereby abolished. ~~Notwithstanding this section, neither the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina nor its Board of Trustees shall impose any tuition or mandatory fee at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics without the approval of the General Assembly.~~"

SECTION 2. G.S. 116-143.6 is repealed.

SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of Section 89 of Chapter 321 of the 1993 Session Laws, as amended by Section 17.10 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"(b) The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall ensure that procedures are established that are necessary to impose a ~~twenty five percent (25%)~~ one hundred percent (100%) tuition surcharge on students who take more than 140 degree credit hours to complete a baccalaureate degree in a four-year program or more than one hundred ten percent (110%) of the credit hours necessary to complete a baccalaureate degree in any program officially designated by the Board of Governors as a five-year program. The calculation of these credit hours taken at a constituent institution or accepted for transfer shall exclude hours earned through the College Board's Advanced Placement or CLEP examinations, through institutional advanced placement or course validation, or through summer term or extension programs. No surcharge shall be imposed on any student who exceeds the degree credit hour limits within the equivalent of four academic years of regular term enrollment, or within five academic years of regular term enrollment in a degree program officially designated by the Board of Governors as a five-year program. The Board shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 1, 1994, on its recommendations for implementing this surcharge."



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1 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009. Section 2 of this act applies
2 to students awarded scholarships on or after the effective date of this act. A student with a full
3 scholarship who has in-State tuition status pursuant to G.S. 116-143.6 on the effective date of
4 this act shall continue to be eligible for in-State tuition for the period that the student receives
5 the scholarship. Section 3 of this act applies to all students who will be sophomores or
6 freshmen in the 2009-2010 fall academic semester and to all students who enroll on or after the
7 effective date of this act.