

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 720**

Short Title: Robeson Community College Aerospace Program. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Weinstein.

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Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING ROBESON COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO OFFER FLIGHT  
3 TRAINING, AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL, AND OTHER AEROSPACE CLASSES AND  
4 BE REIMBURSED BY THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM OFFICE FOR FTE  
5 HOURS EARNED AS A RESULT OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, Robeson Community  
8 College may offer flight training, air traffic control, and any other aerospace-related courses of  
9 a credit or noncredit nature in partnership with the UND Aerospace Foundation. The UND  
10 Aerospace Foundation is an educational entity affiliated with the University of North Dakota  
11 and is an international leader in aviation and aerospace education. Membership hours in these  
12 courses, whether they are taught in the classroom, laboratory, or other recognized educational  
13 setting, shall be counted when computing full-time equivalent students (FTE) for use in budget  
14 funding formulas at the State level.

15       These courses shall be exempt from curriculum instructions contract requirements  
16 adopted by the State Board of Community Colleges so long as the Robeson Community  
17 College offers the courses or an education program that has a university transfer component.

18       **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

