

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS85086-LN-128 (2/23)

Short Title: Reduce Perinatal Mortality and Disease. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Purcell.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SUPPORT THE PERINATAL
QUALITY COLLABORATIVE OF NORTH CAROLINA, AS RECOMMENDED
BY THE NORTH CAROLINA PEDIATRIC SOCIETY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of
Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of five hundred thousand
dollars (\$500,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of five hundred thousand
dollars (\$500,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. These funds shall be allocated to the
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine to support the Perinatal
Quality Collaborative of North Carolina (PQCNC). PQCNC is a network of
stakeholders (providers, families, hospital administrators, health experts, and payers)
committed to improving clinical and health systems issues in perinatal care. The
purpose of PQCNC is to use a refined neonatal data set linked to other State databases
and expert input from all stakeholders to implement quality improvement initiatives,
which will reduce perinatal disease burden, optimize use of State medical funds, and
meet the needs of North Carolina families as they receive perinatal care.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.