GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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Short Title:	Funds for School Health Centers.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Insko and Howard (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR SCHOOL-BASED/SCHOOL-LINKED ADOLESCENT HEALTH CARE CENTERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars ($750,000) for the 2009-2010 fiscal year and the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars ($750,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. The Division shall allocate these funds to school-based and school-linked adolescent health centers that have been credentialed by the State, are in the process of being credentialed by the State, or are providing high quality services in a limited capacity. The funds shall be used for the purpose of sustaining the centers and assisting centers that have been experiencing growth in caseloads.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for the 2009-2010 fiscal year to provide start-up grants for five new school health centers in areas of the State where there are critical needs.

SECTION 3. The Department shall award current and future grants appropriated from recurring funds to school-based and school-linked health centers on a five-year funding cycle. The Department may end funding prior to the end of the five-year period if performance standards are not met. At the end of five years of funding, a local initiative shall be eligible to reapply for funding.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.