

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1021

Short Title: Inmate Emergency Medical Costs.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Folger.

Referred to: Local Government and Regional Affairs.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE COST OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL
3 SERVICES FOR AN INMATE IN A LOCAL CONFINEMENT FACILITY
4 SHALL BE PAID BY A THIRD-PARTY INSURER IF THE INMATE HAS SUCH
5 INSURANCE.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 153A-224(b) reads as rewritten:

8 "(b) In a medical emergency, the custodial personnel shall secure emergency
9 medical care from a licensed physician according to the unit's plan for medical care. If
10 a physician designated in the plan is not available, the personnel shall secure medical
11 services from any licensed physician who is available. The unit operating the facility
12 shall pay the cost of emergency medical ~~services.~~ services unless the inmate has third-
13 party insurance, in which case the third-party insurer shall be the initial payor and the
14 county shall only be liable for costs not reimbursable by the third-party insurer."

15 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.