

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 566*

Short Title: Medicaid/Breast and Cervical Cancer Coverage. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Alexander, Earle, Edwards, Wright (Primary Sponsors); Barefoot, Cox, Goodwin, Insko, Jarrell, Luebke, Russell, Sherrill, Wainwright, and Weiss.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 12, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MATCH FEDERAL FUNDS TO
3 PROVIDE FULL MEDICAID COVERAGE TO ELIGIBLE WOMEN
4 DETERMINED TO NEED TREATMENT FOR BREAST CANCER OR
5 CERVICAL CANCER.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.(a)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
8 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, the sum of
9 six hundred twenty-one thousand three hundred fifteen dollars (\$621,315) for the
10 2001-2002 fiscal year and the sum of one million two hundred fifteen thousand two
11 hundred thirty dollars (\$1,215,230) for the 2002-2003 fiscal year. These funds shall be
12 used to match federal funds to provide full Medicaid coverage to eligible women who
13 have been found to need treatment for breast cancer or cervical cancer. Coverage under
14 this section shall be provided to women who:

- 15 (1) Are under the age of 65;
16 (2) Are uninsured and not otherwise enrolled in or eligible for Medicaid;
17 (3) Have been screened for breast or cervical cancer under the North
18 Carolina Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program and found to
19 need treatment for either breast cancer or cervical cancer.

20 Coverage shall include treatment for precancerous conditions and early-stage cancer.
21 Eligibility for this coverage shall be as required under federal Medicaid regulations.

22 **SECTION 1.(b)** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of
23 Medical Assistance, shall submit a State Plan amendment to the Health Care Financing
24 Administration electing coverage for this categorically needy eligibility group,
25 including presumptive eligibility. The Department shall implement this program no
26 earlier than July 1, 2001.

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SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.