

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

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HOUSE BILL 451*

Short Title: Medicaid County Share. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives McHenry; Capps, Frye, Hilton, Justice, Justus, Lewis, McGee, Moore, Pate, Preston, Ray, Rayfield, Rhodes, Sauls, Setzer, Walend, and K. Williams.

Referred to: Ways and Means, if favorable, Appropriations.

March 13, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PHASE-OUT THE COUNTY SHARE OF THE NONFEDERAL SHARE
2 OF MEDICAID COSTS OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
6 nonfederal share of the Medical Assistance Program, excluding administrative costs,
7 borne by the counties shall be as follows:

- 8 (1) Four percent (4%), effective July 1, 2005.
- 9 (2) Three percent (3%), effective July 1, 2006.
- 10 (3) Two percent (2%), effective July 1, 2007.
- 11 (4) One percent (1%), effective July 1, 2008.

12 Effective July 1, 2009, the nonfederal share of the Medical Assistance Program,
13 excluding administrative costs, shall be borne by the State.

14 **SECTION 2.** Effective July 1, 2009, G.S. 108A-54 reads as rewritten:

15 "**§ 108A-54. Authorization of Medical Assistance Program.**

16 The Department is authorized and empowered to establish a Medical Assistance
17 Program from ~~federal, State and county~~ federal and State appropriations and to adopt
18 rules and regulations under which payments are to be made in accordance with the
19 provisions of this Part. ~~The nonfederal share may be divided between the State and the~~
20 ~~counties, in a manner consistent with the provisions of the federal Social Security Act,~~
21 ~~except that the share required from the counties may not exceed the share required from~~
22 ~~the state. If a portion of the nonfederal share is required from the counties, the boards of~~
23 ~~county commissioners of the several counties shall levy, impose and collect the taxes~~
24 ~~required for the special purpose of medical assistance as provided in this Part, in an~~
25 ~~amount sufficient to cover each county's share of such assistance."~~

26 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.