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HOUSE BILL 1357

Short Title: UNC Removal of Handicapped Barriers.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Barnes.

Referred to: Education.

April 20, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM TO REMOVE ALL MAN-MADE BARRIERS TO THE HANDICAPPED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall adopt a plan to ensure that, beginning in the 1990-91 academic year, all man-made barriers to the handicapped at all of the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina will be systematically removed.

Sec. 2. Prior to expending funds for barrier removal, the Board of Governors shall require each campus to complete a survey of accessibility needs and to prepare a plan to meet these needs based upon three levels of priority. These levels shall be:

- (1) " Urgent Needs"- Barriers known to currently prevent people from participating in university programs or services, and which place a significant burden on the ability of disabled people to perform independently and safely, or which discourage "mainstream" participation with other, nondisabled people;
- (2) " Secondary Needs"- Obvious barriers which could inhibit future participation of disabled people but which have not yet caused incidents of inaccessibility;
- (3) " Long-range Needs"- Barriers which require major, separate funding or long-term planning to address the needs, such as the construction of a new facility.

1 Each campus shall use an advisory committee which shall include
2 representatives of disabled people on campus, the Office of Student Affairs, and the
3 Chancellor's representative, in developing this plan.

4 Sec. 3. The Board shall ensure that the surveys and plans of the campuses are
5 comparable in scope and definition. The Board shall allocate the funds appropriated in
6 Section 4 of this act based upon the needs and priorities identified in the campuses'
7 plans.

8 Sec. 4. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of
9 Governors of The University of North Carolina \$6,200,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year
10 and \$6,200,000 for the 1990-91 fiscal year, to implement this plan to eliminate all man-
11 made barriers to the handicapped in all facilities and grounds of The University of North
12 Carolina supported by the General Fund.

13 Sec. 5. Of the funds appropriated in Section 5 of this act, the Board may
14 allocate up to \$400,000 to develop the plans required in this act.

15 Sec. 6. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.