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**SENATE BILL 518\***

Short Title: One-On-One Programs/Funds.

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Sponsors: Senator Basnight.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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March 20, 1989

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE GOVERNOR'S ONE-ON-ONE PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE ADULT VOLUNTEER FRIENDS AND ROLE MODELS FOR TROUBLED YOUNG PEOPLE.**

Whereas, the Governor's One-On-One Volunteer Program is a statewide initiative that has, since 1982, promoted the development of local programs that match court involved young people who are at real risk of ending up in the adult prison system with local adult volunteers who are willing to give their time, energy, and compassion to help the young people learn positive self-esteem as they learn to direct their activities away from delinquency; and

Whereas, without such help, a young person who has no more than two involvements with juvenile court has a fifty percent greater chance of ending up in the adult prison system than a young person with only one court involvement who is given such voluntary help early; and

Whereas, the Social Services Block Grant funding received by the Program needs to be supplemented by additional, direct State funds, if it is to be able to continue the 34 existing local programs and expand to enable four more localities to begin to offer these vital volunteer services to the troubled youth of their areas; Now, therefore, The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. In addition to funds appropriated for the Program from Social Services Block Grant funds for the 1989-90 fiscal year and for the 1990-91 fiscal year, there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Human Resources, Division of Youth Services, the sum of one hundred ninety-seven thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$197,250) for the 1989-90 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred ninety-

1 seven thousand dollars (\$197,000) for the 1990-91 fiscal year, to be allocated as follows  
2 for each fiscal year:

- 3           (1) Eighty-seven thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$87,250) for the  
4           existing 34 local Governor's One-On-One Volunteer Programs;  
5           (2) Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to allow two of the 34 Programs,  
6           which are part time, to be expanded to full-time Programs; and  
7           (3) Eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) to allow four new programs to be  
8           established and implemented.

9           Sec. 2. Funds appropriated by this act shall not supplement or diminish funds  
10          appropriated for the Program from Social Services Block Grant funds.

11          Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.