

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 32  
SENATE BILL 158

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES  
STUDY THE CURRENT REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEM FOR DOMICILIARY  
HOMES AND RECOMMEND CHANGES.

Whereas, G.S. 131D-3 establishes cost and revenue reporting requirements for domiciliary homes; and

Whereas, the North Carolina General Assembly directly sets the rates for domiciliary homes; and

Whereas, the rates for these homes may not bear any real relationship to the cost data; and

Whereas, there may be a better method for rate setting than this one being currently used; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Department of Human Resources shall study the issue of reimbursement for domiciliary homes and shall recommend a specific method for rate setting.

This study shall consider:

- (1) What the structure of the rates should be;
- (2) How the levels of payment should be determined; and
- (3) How the system of rate setting will be administered.

The Department shall report the results of this study, including any legislative recommendations, to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division by January 1, 1992.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of April, 1991.

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James C. Gardner  
President of the Senate

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Daniel Blue, Jr.

Speaker of the House of Representatives