

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1430

Short Title: Norplant Requirement/Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hall; Creech, Mercer, and Nichols.

Referred to: Health and Human Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ALL WOMEN OBTAINING AN ABORTION
2 FUNDED THROUGH THE STATE ABORTION FUND RECEIVE NORPLANT
3 IMPLANTATION AND TO ENSURE THAT NORPLANT IMPLANTATION IS
4 MADE AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. (a) The Department of Human Resources shall ensure that all women
8 who receive an abortion funded through the State Abortion Fund receive Norplant
9 implantation and do not remove it unless the procedure is medically contraindicated.
10 The Department shall also ensure that all women who are eligible for assistance under
11 the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program operated pursuant to Part 2 of
12 Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes:

- 13 (1) Receive written notification of the availability and accessibility of
14 Norplant implantation as an effective method of birth control and of
15 the requirement of Norplant implantation in the event that they have an
16 abortion funded through the State Abortion Fund, unless medically
17 contraindicated; and
18 (2) Receive individual counseling at the time they begin to receive
19 assistance that covers the effectiveness of Norplant implantation as a
20 method of birth control, any possible side effects of the implantation,
21 the requirement of the implantation in the event that they have an
22 abortion funded through the State Abortion Fund, unless medically
23 contraindicated, and of the availability and accessibility of the
24 implantation.

1 Both the written notification and the counseling shall stress that Norplant implantation
2 is free of charge.

3 (b) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Human
4 Resources the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the
5 sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year, to implement this
6 section.

7 Sec. 2. (a) The Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources
8 shall ensure that Norplant implantation is available without charge and accessible to all
9 women eligible for assistance in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program
10 operated pursuant to Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 108A of the General Statutes and that
11 it is provided automatically as required to women who receive an abortion funded
12 through the State Abortion Fund.

13 (b) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
14 Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of two million dollars
15 (\$2,000,000) for the 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of two million dollars
16 (\$2,000,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year to implement this section.

17 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.