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SENATE BILL 1573*

Short Title: Amend and Make Permanent UNC Mgmt. Flex.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Lee, Perdue, Ward, Winner of Mecklenburg, Smith, Warren, and Hartsell.

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

May 25, 1994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE PERMANENT THE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND FLEXIBILITY ACT, TO MODIFY ITS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO INCREASE THE ON-CAMPUS PURCHASING BENCHMARK TO FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Subsection (f) of Section 206.2 of Chapter 689 of the 1991 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"(f) This section is effective upon ratification. ~~This section expires~~ Subsections (c), (d), and (e) of this section expire June 30, 1994."

Sec. 2. Part 2A of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

§ 116-30.6. Reports of results.

The Board of Governors shall report annually by March 31 of each year on its decisions and directives implementing this Part to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee. In particular, the Board shall report on the impact on undergraduate student learning and development as demonstrated by the standard assessment measures established in the institutional effectiveness plans, fiscal savings, management initiatives, increased efficiency and effectiveness, and other outcomes made possible by the flexibility provided by this Part to the special responsibility constituent institutions. These reports shall include documentation of any reallocation of resources, the use of nonreverted appropriations, and any additional costs incurred."

1 Sec. 3. G.S. 143-53.1 reads as rewritten:

2 "143-53.1. Setting of benchmarks; increase by Secretary.

3 On and after July 1, 1990, the expenditure benchmark prescribed by G.S. 143-52
4 with respect to competitive bid procedures and the bid value benchmark authorized by
5 G.S. 143-53(2) with respect to rule making by the Secretary of Administration for
6 competitive bidding shall be ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); provided, the Secretary of
7 Administration may, in his discretion, increase the benchmarks effective as of the
8 beginning of any fiscal biennium of the State commencing after June 30, 1992, in an
9 amount whose increase, expressed as a percentage, does not exceed the rise in the
10 Consumer Price Index during the fiscal biennium next preceding the effective date of
11 the benchmark increase. For a special responsibility constituent institution of The
12 University of North Carolina, the benchmark prescribed in this section shall be ~~twenty-~~
13 ~~five thousand dollars (\$25,000) on and after July 1, 1991.~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).
14 The special responsibility constituent institutions, in exercising their authority above
15 and beyond the benchmarks set by the Secretary of Administration, shall (i) determine
16 State contract pricing for the item being purchased, and (ii) report these purchases to the
17 Office of State Purchasing on a quarterly basis."

18 Sec. 4. This section and Section 1 of this act become effective June 30, 1994.
19 Sections 2 and 3 of this act become effective July 1, 1994.