

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 204

Short Title: GPAC/CON self-funded.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Martin of Guilford; Daniel and Blackmon.

Referred to: Government Performance Audit.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE GOVERNMENT
2 PERFORMANCE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO MAKE THE CERTIFICATE OF
3 NEED PROGRAM SELF-FUNDED BY INCREASING THE CON
4 APPLICATION FEES BY FIFTY PERCENT.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. The General Assembly finds that, while other states with
8 Certificate of Need agencies have increased fees or downsized staff to fund their
9 programs without state revenue, the application fees generated by North Carolina's
10 Certificate of Need process currently cover only seventy-five percent (75%) of program
11 expenses.

12 Sec. 2. (a) Effective October 1, 1993, the Division of Facility Services,
13 Department of Human Resources, shall increase all application fees for a Certificate of
14 Need by fifty percent (50%).

15 (b) Effective October 1, 1993, G.S. 131E-177(9) reads as rewritten:

16 "(9) Establish and collect fees for submitting applications for ~~certificates-~~
17 ~~of need, certificates of need,~~ which fees shall be based on the total cost
18 of the project for which the applicant is applying. This fee ~~may shall~~
19 not exceed ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) twenty-two thousand~~
20 five hundred dollars (\$22,500) and ~~may shall~~ not be less than ~~four~~
21 hundred dollars (\$400.00). six hundred dollars (\$600.00)."

22 Sec. 3. The base budget of the Division of Facility Services, Department of
23 Human Resources, is reduced by two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) for the 1993-
24 94 fiscal year due to the implementation of this act.

1 Sec. 4. Unless otherwise stated, this act becomes effective July 1, 1993, and
2 applies to application fees for applications requested on or after October 1, 1993.