

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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CHAPTER 269
SENATE BILL 967

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM TO PERMIT COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO USE INMATE LABOR FOR CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is established a pilot correction education program that would allow prison inmates to participate in community college capital construction projects. The Department of Community Colleges may contract with the Department of Correction for the use of prison inmates in these projects. The State Board of Community Colleges shall designate up to five community colleges that are equally distributed geographically throughout the State to participate in the pilot program.

Inmate participation in capital construction projects shall be related to courses contained in the pilot correction education program. The pilot program shall provide practical experience for the construction-related skills taught in courses the inmates are enrolled in or have been enrolled in.

The State Board of Community Colleges shall develop an application process that encourages colleges to apply for these pilot projects. The State Board of Community Colleges may use funds from the Board Reserve for the pilot projects.

The State Board of Community Colleges shall report to the General Assembly prior to January 1, 1997, on the progress of the pilot program. The report shall contain a recommendation on whether the program should be expanded statewide.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of June, 1995.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives