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Short Title: Catherine's Law. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives White, Hardister, Arp, and Potts (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ENROLLMENT FUNDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING FUNDING EQUITY FOR APPROVED COMPREHENSIVE TRANSITION PROGRAMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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SECTION 1. This act shall be known as "Catherine's Law" and may be cited by that name.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the reserve account in the Office of State Budget and Management for enrollment adjustments for The University of North Carolina the sum of up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in additional recurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to support courses for resident full-time students who are enrolled in a four semester or eight semester certificate accomplishment program approved by the United States Department of Education as a Comprehensive Transition Program (CTP). A CTP is a higher education program designed to prepare students with intellectual and developmental disabilities for employment. These funds shall be used to eliminate the full-time equivalent (FTE) determination disparity between CTPs and curriculum programs.

SECTION 3. If the cost of providing FTE for CTPs in the same manner as curriculum programs exceeds the funds appropriated pursuant to this act, the funds may be allocated to constituent institutions on a pro rata basis according to the number of students enrolled in a CTP at each constituent institution.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

