GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1997 SESSION

S.L. 1997-377 HOUSE BILL 524

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CAP ON THE AMOUNT OF DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION FEES THAT ARE DEPOSITED IN A FUND FOR ALCOHOL STUDIES ENDOWMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-7(i1) reads as rewritten:

"(i1) Restoration Fee. - Any person whose drivers license has been revoked pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, other than G.S. 20-17(2), shall pay a restoration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). A person whose drivers license has been revoked under G.S. 20-17(2) shall pay a restoration fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) until the end of the fiscal year in which the cumulative total amount of fees deposited under this subsection in the General Fund exceeds five ten million dollars (\$5,000,000), (\$10,000,000), and shall pay a restoration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) thereafter. The fee shall be paid to the Division prior to the issuance to such person of a new drivers license or the restoration of the drivers license. The restoration fee shall be paid to the Division in addition to any and all fees which may be provided by law. This restoration fee shall not be required from any licensee whose license was revoked or voluntarily surrendered for medical or health reasons whether or not a medical evaluation was conducted pursuant to this Chapter. The twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) fee, and the first twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) of the fifty-dollar (\$50.00) fee, shall be deposited in the Highway Fund. The remaining twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) of the fiftydollar (\$50.00) fee shall be deposited in the General Fund of the State. The Office of State Budget and Management shall certify to the Department of Transportation and the General Assembly when the cumulative total amount of fees deposited in the General Fund under this subsection exceeds five ten million dollars (\$5,000,000), (\$10,000,000), and shall annually report to the General Assembly the amount of fees deposited in the General Fund under this subsection.

It is the intent of the General Assembly to annually appropriate the funds deposited in the General Fund under this subsection to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina to be used for the Center for Alcohol Studies Endowment at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, but not to exceed this cumulative total of five-ten million dollars (\$5,000,000). (\$10,000,000)."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 30th day of July, 1997.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor

Approved 8:35 a.m. this 7th day of August, 1997