

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

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SENATE BILL 768

Short Title: Increase Medicaid Dental Reimbursements. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Gulley; Albertson, Ballance, Berger, Bingham, Carter, Clodfelter, Cunningham, Dalton, Dannelly, Garrou, Harris, Horton, Hoyle, Kerr, Kinnaird, Lucas, Metcalf, Miller, Purcell, Rand, Reeves, Robinson, Rucho, Shaw of Cumberland, Thomas, Warren, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

April 2, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO INCREASE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR MEDICAID
3 COVERED DENTAL SERVICES TO EQUAL THE REIMBURSEMENT RATES
4 PAID UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM
5 FOR CHILDREN FOR THE SAME SERVICES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of
8 Medical Assistance, shall reimburse providers of dental care under the Medicaid
9 program for any covered dental service that is also covered under the North Carolina
10 Health Insurance Program for Children at rates equal to the reimbursement rates paid to
11 providers of dental care under the North Carolina Health Insurance Program for
12 Children.

13 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
14 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, the sum of
15 seven million, six hundred and seventy-four thousand, three hundred and fifteen dollars
16 (\$7,674,315) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and the sum of seven million, six hundred
17 and seventy-four thousand, three hundred and fifteen dollars (\$7,674,315) for the
18 2002-2003 fiscal year to implement Section 1 of this act.

19 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.