

N.C. GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Research
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Short Title: Children's Health Services			

TYPE OF FISCAL IMPACT			FUNDS AFFECTED:			() Other:		
			(X) General			() Highway		
						() Local		
County/								
	State Gov't	Local Gov't	State Fiscal Impact	FY 89-90	FY 90-91	FY		
No Fiscal Impact	()	()	State Total Req'ments	\$1.4M	\$1.4M			
Increase Expenditure	(X)	()	Receipts/Revenues					
Decrease Expenditure	()	()	Net State Expend./Rev.	\$1.4M	\$1.4M			
			No. of Positions					
			Local Fiscal Impact	FY	FY	FY		
Increase Revenue	()	()	Local Total Req'ments	None				
Decrease Revenue	()	()	Receipts/Revenues					
No Estimate Avail.	()	()	Net Local Expend./Rev.					
			No. of Positions					

Description of Legislation

1. Summary of Legislation:

Changes financial eligibility for the Children's Special Health Services Program to that of the federal poverty eligibility guidelines.

2. Effective Date:

July 1, 1989

3. Fund or Tax Affected:

General

4. Principal Department/Program Affected:

Department of Human Resources, Division of Health Services

Cost or Revenue Impact on State

	FY 89-90	FY 90-91	FY
1. Non-Recurring Costs/Revenues			
2. Recurring Costs/Revenues	\$1.4M	\$1.4M	
3. Fiscal/Revenue Assumptions			

Cost/Revenue Impact on County or Local Government

	FY 88-89	FY 89-90	FY
1. Non-Recurring Costs/Revenues			
2. Recurring Costs/Revenues	None		
3. Fiscal/Revenue Assumptions			

Sources of Data for Fiscal Note

Division of Health Services

Technical Considerations/Comments

Division of Health Services projects that 400 children age 5 to 21 would obtain access to the inpatient care services provided by the program if the eligibility standards were to be equated with those of the federal poverty level guidelines. The average annual cost for inpatient services for children in the program is approximately \$3,500. Eligibility for outpatient services of the program already are subject to the federal poverty level guidelines, as are inpatient services for children under the age of five.

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