GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 381 HOUSE BILL 724

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW PERTAINING TO IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 130A-155.1(a) reads as rewritten:

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, No-no person shall attend a college or university, whether public, private, or religious, excluding educational institutions established under Chapter 115D of the General Statutes, excluding students attending night classes only, and excluding students matriculating in off-campus courses at either public or private institutions, unless a certificate of immunization or a record of immunization from a high school located in North Carolina indicating that the person has received immunizations required by G.S. 130A-152 is presented to the college or university. This section shall not apply to educational institutions established under Chapter 115D of the General Statutes, or to students registering only in off-campus courses, or to students attending night or weekend classes only, or to students taking a course load of four credit hours or less and residing off campus. The person shall present a certificate or record of immunization on or before the first day of matriculation the date the person first registers for a quarter or semester during which the student will reside on the campus or first registers for more than four credit hours to the registrar of the college or university, university, provided, however, that if a college or university obtains the certificate of immunization from a high school located in North Carolina, the requirements of this section are satisfied. If a certificate or record of immunization is not in the possession of the college or university on the first day of matriculation, date of first registration, the college or university shall present a notice of deficiency to the person. The person shall have 30 calendar days from the date of the person's first registration day of attendance to obtain the required immunization. If the administration of vaccine in a series of doses given at medically approved intervals requires a period in excess of 30 calendar days, additional days upon certification by a physician may be allowed to obtain the required immunization. If immunization requires a series of doses and the period necessary to give the vaccine at standard intervals extends beyond the date of the first registration, the student shall be allowed to attend the college or university upon written certification by a physician that the standard series is in progress. The physician shall state the time period needed to complete the series. Upon termination of 30 calendar days or the extended period, this time period, the college or university shall not permit the person to attend the school continue in attendance unless the required immunization has been obtained."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to persons registering for college or university on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 24th day of June, 1991.

James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives