

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 650

Short Title: Expedite Adoption Services.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Seymour.

Referred to: Finance.

April 16, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO EXPEDITE ADOPTIONS THROUGH THE VOLUNTARY PAYMENT
OF FEES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 143B-153(3) reads as rewritten:

"(3) The Social Services Commission shall have the power and duty to establish and adopt standards:

- a. For the inspection and licensing of maternity homes as provided by G.S. 131D-1;
- b. For the inspection and licensing of domiciliary homes for aged or disabled persons as provided by G.S. 131D-2(b).
- c. For the inspection and licensing of child-care institutions as provided by G.S. 131D-10.5;
- d. For the inspection and operation of jails or local confinement facilities as provided by G.S. 153A-220 and Article 2 of Chapter 131D of the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina;
- e. Repealed by Session Laws 1981, c. 562, s. 7.
- f. For the regulation and licensing of charitable organizations, professional fund-raising counsel and professional solicitors as provided by Chapter 131D of the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina.
- g. For the implementation and provision of those adoption services referred to in G.S. 143B-153(8)e. which the Social

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1 Services is authorized to provide, including qualifications and
2 supervisory requirements for those individuals providing those
3 services for the Division of Social Services."

4 Sec. 2. G.S. 143B-153(8) reads as rewritten:

5 "(8) The Commission may establish by regulation, except for Title XX
6 services provided solely through the Division of Mental Health, ~~Mental~~
7 ~~Retardation~~-Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services,
8 rates or fees for:

9 a. A fee schedule for the payment of the costs of necessary day
10 care in licensed facilities and registered plans for minor children
11 of needy families.

12 b. A fee schedule for the payment by recipients for services which
13 are established in accordance with Title XX of the Social
14 Security Act and implementing regulations; and

15 c. The payment of an administrative fee not to exceed two
16 hundred dollars (\$200.00) to be paid by public or nonprofit
17 agencies which employ students under the Plan Assuring
18 College Education (PACE) program.

19 d. Child support enforcement services as defined by G.S. 110-
20 130.1.

21 e. A fee system for the payment of the costs to the Division of
22 Social Services, for the preparation of adoptive home studies
23 and post-payment supervision services, by those couples and
24 individuals seeking to adopt children:

25 1. Through independent adoption;

26 2. Through licensed private agencies in other states; or

27 3. Through international placement."

28 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1991.