

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1165\*

Short Title: Spec. Asst./Increase Pers. Allow.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Representative Luebke.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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April 15, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT ALLOWED FOR SPECIAL ASSISTANCE  
2 LONG-TERM CARE RESIDENTS FOR PERSONAL NEEDS.  
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of  
6 Medical Assistance, shall increase the amount allowed under State/County Special  
7 Assistance for Adults for personal needs from thirty-one dollars (\$31.00) to forty-one  
8 dollars (\$41.00). The Department shall establish the personal allowance based on cost-of-  
9 care increases to ensure that funds for residents' personal needs are adequate to meet  
10 increases in the cost of living. The Department shall not decrease the total amount  
11 allowed a resident for personal needs as a result of increases in the personal allowance.

12 Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
13 Health and Human Services the sum of one million four hundred forty-two thousand two  
14 hundred eighty dollars (\$1,442,280) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of one  
15 million five hundred fourteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,514,400) for the 2000-  
16 2001 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for the increase in the personal needs  
17 allowance enacted in Section 1 of this act.

18 Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.