

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: SB 648 (3rd Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force

SPONSOR(S): Sen. Virginia Foxx

FISCAL IMPACT					
	Yes (x)	No ()	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2003-04</u>	<u>FY 2004-05</u>	<u>FY 2005-06</u>	<u>FY 2006-07</u>	<u>FY 2007-08</u>
REVENUES	0	0	0	0	0
EXPENDITURES	\$53,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000	\$28,000
POSITIONS:	0	0	0	0	0
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health					
EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2003					

BILL SUMMARY: Establishes an ad hoc cervical cancer elimination task force to the advisory committee on Cancer Coordination and Control. The Task Force will have 22 members including Legislators, Department of Health and Human Services officials, and other individuals appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speakers of the House.

The Task Force shall develop a statewide comprehensive cervical cancer prevention plan and strategies for plan implementation. Other activities will include raising public awareness on the causes and nature of cervical cancer, examining existing laws, regulations, programs and services and making recommendations to the General Assembly.

The Task Force will meet at least quarterly and more frequently at the request of the chair and receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, and 138-6, as applicable. The Task Force will expire in FY2008.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

1. The budget assumes members of the Task Force will receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence expenses for four meetings annually, totaling \$7,000.
2. The Task Force would be staffed through existing resources within Division of Public Health; therefore, no additional cost for personnel is needed.
3. It is estimated that approximately \$20,000 would be needed to develop and distribute materials for education and awareness and any activities related to these efforts.
4. It is further estimated that an additional \$25,000 would be needed to contract with a consulting firm to undertake a statistical and qualitative examination of the prevalence and burden of cervical cancer and develop a plan for the elimination of cervical cancer in North Carolina, as prescribed by the bill. This amount will be one-time funds for the planning activities during FY04; therefore, the total requirements will decrease beginning FY05.
5. The budget assumes no inflationary increases for the Task Force.

SOURCES OF DATA:

General Assembly Administrative Division
North Carolina Office of State Personnel

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None.

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