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SENATE BILL 1020

Short Title: Earned Income Disregard Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Kinnaird.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO FUND THE EARNED INCOME DISREGARD FOR WORK FIRST RECIPIENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Social Services, Department of Human Resources, the sum of three million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$3,250,000) for the 1997-99 fiscal biennium to fund the earned income disregard for Work First recipients as follows:

- (1) For the first four months a family receives earned income, the Department of Human Resources shall disregard the first two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per month, plus one-third of the remainder;
- (2) For subsequent months, the Department of Human Resources shall disregard two hundred dollars (\$200.00) of the earned income per month; and
- (3) Net countable income shall continue to be deducted from the Standard of Need.

Section 2. The Department of Human Resources shall not expand the definition of countable earned or unearned income.

Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.