

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT House Bill 97

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Amends Title [NO] PCS Date _____,2015

Senator Brock

1 moves to amend the bill on page 107, lines 6-7,

2 by inserting between those lines the following:

3 "PROGRAM EVALUATION DIVISION STUDY GRADUATION RATES AT 4 CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING 5 POLICIES TO INCREASE GRADUATION RATES

6 **SECTION 11.7.(a)** The General Assembly finds that the six-year graduation rate 7 for students pursuing a baccalaureate degree from any constituent institution of The University of North Carolina is too low. The General Assembly further finds that it is important to design 8 9 and implement a program for the purpose of achieving the following goals: to assist more students to obtain a baccalaureate degree within a shorter time period; to provide students with 10 a college education at significantly lower costs for both the student and the State; to help 11 decrease the amount of debt resulting from loans that a student may owe upon graduation; to 12 13 provide a student with an interim degree that may increase a student's job opportunities if the student chooses not to continue postsecondary education; and to provide easier access to 14 academic counseling that will assist a student in selecting coursework that reflects the student's 15 educational and career goals and helps the student succeed academically. 16

SECTION 11.7.(b) To address the issues and goals set out in the subsection (a) of 17 18 this section, the Program Evaluation Division shall review current six-year graduation rates for 19 each constituent institution in the University of North Carolina system, determine what factors 20 are associated with academic success and failure, and make recommendations on any policy 21 changes needed to increase graduation rates at specific institutions, including but not limited to 22 increasing the minimum high school GPA required for admission to 3.00 and implementing a deferred admission program, to be known as the North Carolina Guaranteed Admission 23 24 Program (NCGAP), for students identified as academically at risk. The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions shall provide any data necessary and perform any 25 analyses for this study as directed by the Program Evaluation Division. The Program 26 27 Evaluation Division shall report on the findings of this study and make recommendations to the 28 Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee by April 1, 2016."

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