

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 417

Short Title: Posting of State Costs. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Burgin (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 25, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT PAYMENTS MADE BY STATE ENTITIES BE MADE
AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Article 1 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 143B-28.2. Fiscal transparency and accessibility.

In order to allow the citizens of this State to see and better understand how revenue of the State is being expended, The University of North Carolina and each principal department under Chapters 143A and 143B of the General Statutes shall collate and report monthly to, in a form prescribed by, the Department of Administration an itemized list of all expenditures of the entity with a cost of at least one dollar (\$1.00) for the purchase of tangible personal property, real property, and services, along with the sum total expenditures for the month. Within 10 days of receiving a report required by this section, the Department of Administration shall publish the report on its website in a form accessible to the public for viewing and inspection. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to make public any records that are confidential or otherwise protected from disclosure by State or federal law."

SECTION 1.(b) G.S. 7A-343 reads as rewritten:

"§ 7A-343. Duties of Director.

The Director is the Administrative Officer of the Courts, and the Director's duties include all of the following:

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(9h) In order to allow the citizens of this State to see and better understand how the revenue of the State is being expended, the courts of the State shall collate and report monthly to, in a form prescribed by, the Director an itemized list of all expenditures of each court with a cost of at least one dollar (\$1.00) for the purchase of tangible personal property, real property, and services, along with the sum total expenditures for the month. Within 10 days of receiving a report required by this section, the Director shall publish the report on its website in a form accessible to the public for viewing and inspection. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to make public any records that are confidential or otherwise protected from disclosure by State or federal law.

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SECTION 1.(c) Article 7 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 120-32.05. Fiscal transparency and accessibility.



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1 In order to allow the citizens of this State to see and better understand how the revenue of the
2 State is being expended, the Legislative Services Officer shall collate an itemized list of all
3 expenditures of the General Assembly with a cost of at least one dollar (\$1.00) for the purchase
4 of tangible personal property, real property, and services, along with the sum total expenditures
5 for the month. Within 10 days of creating the list required by this section, the Legislative Services
6 Officer shall publish the report on its website in a form accessible to the public for viewing and
7 inspection. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to make public any records that are
8 confidential or otherwise protected from disclosure by State or federal law."

9 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2025, and the publications required
10 by this act apply on October 1, 2025, and shall include expenditures beginning with the
11 2025-2026 fiscal year.