

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 782

Short Title: Raise the Age for Donating Blood. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hise (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget

May 26, 2022

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT RAISING THE AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITHOUT PARENTAL
3 CONSENT FROM SIXTEEN TO EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD; AND APPROPRIATING
4 FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION
5 OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TO RAISE PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THIS AGE
6 REQUIREMENT.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 130A-412.31 reads as rewritten:

9 "**§ 130A-412.31. Giving of blood by persons 16-18 years of age or more.**

10 A person who is 16-18 years of age or more may give or donate blood to an individual,
11 hospital, blood bank or blood collection center without the consent of the parent or parents or
12 guardian of the donor. It shall be unlawful for a person under the age of 18 years to sell blood."

13 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
14 Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)
15 in nonrecurring funds for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to raise public awareness about the age
16 requirement specified in G.S. 130A-412.31, as amended by this act, to give or donate blood in
17 this State without parental consent.

18 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.

