SENATE BILL 257:
Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 10.6:
Enhance The University of North Carolina Data Systems to Improve Institutional Performance and Student Success

OVERVIEW: Sec. 10.6 of S.L. 2017-57 directs the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina (UNC BOG) to use funds appropriated to the UNC BOG to modernize business processes, increase standardization, and maximize State resources. Funds must also be used to enhance data systems for the following purposes:

- Integrating financial, human resource, and student account systems across The University of North Carolina System.
- Developing new data collections systems that track faculty and staff retention rates and post-graduation student outcomes.
- Expanding "Know Before You Go" data reporting.

The President of The University of North Carolina must submit an initial report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by March 1, 2018, regarding the plan to implement the data modernization and integration (DMI) project and for the enterprise resource planning (ERP) modernization project. A progress report must be submitted by March 1, 2019, regarding the status of the implementation of the projects. The initial report must include at least the following information for both projects with the information set out separately for each project:

- The challenges and specific goals of the project and specific identification of the outcomes expected from the project.
- The management structure to be used in managing, operating, and executing the project, including whether a post-project completion governance structure is needed to provide oversight and service of the systems. There should also be as to whether any additional funds may be needed to maintain the DMI systems created after initial completion and to maintain the ERP systems created after initial completion.
- The sources and target for movement and transformation of data being sought to achieve the project's goals.
- The proposed technical implementation plan for the project, including a description of the technical details of how the project will be implemented in the context of a specific set of vendor products and platforms.
- A detailed schedule for implementation and completion of the project.
Any additional information deemed relevant by the President or by the Committee.

This section became effective July 1, 2017.