

SENATE BILL 462: UNC/UTEACH Program.

2017-2018 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Education/Higher Education. If Date: April 11, 2017

favorable, re-refer to Rules and Operations of

the Senate

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OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 462 would direct the President, or the President's designee, and the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina to consider and evaluate the feasibility of applying for and implementing the UTEACH program as part of the curricula offered by The University of North Carolina system.

BILL ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 462 would direct the President, or the President's designee, and the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina to consider and evaluate the feasibility of applying for and implementing the UTEACH program as part of the curricula offered by The University of North Carolina system. UTEACH is a model program originally developed by the University of Texas at Austin that allows students to obtain the necessary requirements for a secondary teaching license at the same time as earning a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) degree.

The bill provides a detailed list of factors that the President and Board of Governors should use in their evaluation, such as potential cost and which institutions would participate. A report of their findings and recommendations would be required to be submitted to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 1, 2018.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act would be effective when it becomes law.



