OVERVIEW: Section 7.16 of S.L. 2021-180 requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to contract with a third-party for administrative services necessary to receive maximum reimbursement for medically necessary health care services for which payment is available under the North Carolina Medicaid Program provided to eligible students attending any of the following schools:

- Governor Morehead School for the Blind
- Eastern North Carolina School for the Deaf
- North Carolina School for the Deaf

By March 15, 2022, DPI must report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on the contracting process and the award of the contract, including the cost of the contract and the estimated recoupment of expenditures.

This section became effective July 1, 2021.