

## HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 9D.6: Smart Start Literacy Initiative/Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

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Analysis of: Sec. 9D.6 of S.L. 2023-134
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OVERVIEW: Section 9D.6 of S.L. 2023-134 allocates a portion of the funds allocated by the act to the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. from the Department of Health and Human Services, to be used to increase access to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.

The North Carolina Partnership of Children, Inc. can use up to 1% of the funds for statewide management and up to 1% for program evaluation.

Funds allocated under this section are not subject to the following:

- The administrative cost requirements under Section 9D.5(b) of this act.
- The child care services funding requirements under G.S. 143B-168.15(b).
- The child care subsidy expansion requirements under G.S. 143B-168.15(g).
- The match requirements under Section 9D.5(d) of this act.

This section became effective July 1, 2023.

