

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 694

Short Title: Funds for Ready for School, Ready for Life. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Garrett (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget

April 10, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO READY FOR SCHOOL, READY FOR LIFE TO
2 CONTINUE STATE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF AN INTEGRATED DATA SYSTEM
3 FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to Ready for School,
7 Ready for Life, a nonprofit organization developing and providing a system of care for children
8 prenatally to 5 years of age to improve outcomes and school readiness, a directed grant in the
9 amount of four million eight hundred thousand dollars (\$4,800,000) in nonrecurring funds for
10 the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The grant funds shall be used to support the building, testing, and
11 improving of an integrated data system (IDS) technology to (i) enable care coordination, service
12 monitoring, and outcomes tracking for young children and families and the government agencies
13 and nonprofits that serve them and (ii) provide empirical outcomes data to facilitate decision
14 making by policymakers.

15 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2023.

