

ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT : Teacher Education Program Actions Under
Resolution 27 of the 1983 General Assembly

NUMBER : 197

DATE: May 10, 1984

During the 1983 Session, the General Assembly adopted Resolution 27 (House Bill 334) that urges the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education "to develop and implement experimental programs designed to improve the quality of the teaching in the public schools including exchanges among teachers in the public schools and University faculty members teaching courses in educational methods"

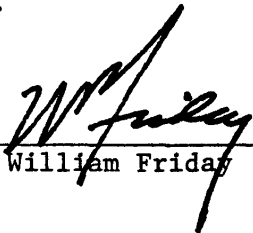
In recent weeks, there have been discussions with the Chancellors and with members of the University Council on Teacher Education about how to respond most effectively to the particular interest in exchanges expressed in the Resolution. Given the importance of this issue and the need to assure that The University is taking steps to strengthen every aspect of its teacher education programs, you are asked to initiate the following actions:

(1) *Beginning in the academic year 1984-85, arrangements should be made annually to assign at least two full-time faculty members in "educational methods" to teach in appropriate subject areas in public schools for a period of at least ten (10) consecutive school days. In association with such assignments, teachers from participating public schools should be invited to meet with methods classes. "Educational methods" is defined here to include courses in teaching methods and pedagogical techniques and the supervision of student teaching.*

(2) *All such arrangements are to be reported when they are established so that timely reports can be made to the General Assembly. We will ask later that you submit annual reports and the University Council on Teacher Education will be asked to assist in a review and evaluation of these activities beginning in the spring of 1985.*

These activities offer another opportunity for us to improve our teacher education programs and to broaden our cooperation with individual schools and with the State Board of Education.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Dr. Donald Stedman.



William Friday

/cw

Attachment: Resolution 27

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 1983
RATIFIED BILL**

**RESOLUTION 27
HOUSE BILL 334**

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO IMPROVE THE COMPETENCE OF FACULTY MEMBERS IN EDUCATIONAL METHODS IN THE UNIVERSITY, THE PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AND IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, the effectiveness of teachers in the public schools of North Carolina depends heavily upon the competence and ability of the faculty members in all approved college and university teacher education programs; and

Whereas, teaching competencies can be more effectively defined and developed by professionals with knowledge and experience pertinent to the contemporary public school classroom and through regular participation in teaching and learning;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and the State Board of Education are encouraged to develop and implement experimental programs designed to improve the quality of the teaching in the public schools including exchanges among teachers in the public schools and university faculty members teaching courses in educational methods in constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina, and the faculty members in private colleges and universities having approved teacher education programs to participate in exchanges and other experimental programs.

Sec. 2. The Board of Governors and the State Board of Education shall report to the Committees on Education and the Committees on Higher Education of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the progress of this program at the meeting of the 1983 General Assembly, Second Session, 1984.

Sec. 3. This resolution is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 10th day of June, 1983.

JAMES C. GREEN

**James C. Green
President of the Senate**

LISTON B RAMSEY

**Liston B. Ramsey
Speaker of the House of Representatives**