STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES Allocation for Hurricane Helene Enrollment Stabilization FY2025-26

<u>Request</u>: The State Board of Community Colleges (SBCC) is requested to approve a reallocation of \$1,317,134 to eight community colleges that experienced enrollment declines from the 2023-24 academic year to the 2024-25 academic year.

<u>Background</u>: Section 2A.2(b) of The Disaster Recovery Act of 2025 – Part II (SL 2025-26), provided flexibility for \$2,473,971 of unused funds that were originally appropriated to the North Carolina Community Colleges System by Section 4A.3 of Session Law 2024-53. At the August 2025 meeting, the SBCC approved the reallocation of \$1,106,081. This request provides additional dollars to stabilize funding for colleges with enrollment losses.

Rationale: This reallocation ensures that financial support is directed to the institutions most affected by Hurricane Helene, enabling them to continue providing essential educational services and support to students during recovery. The reallocation also aligns with the legislative intent to maximize the impact of available disaster recovery funds.

<u>Method of Allocation</u>: Funds were allocated based on a comparison of budget FTE between FY2023-24 and FY2025-26. Each college experiencing a decline received funding for the enrollment lost at current fiscal year FTE values.

College	Amount of Funding
Asheville-Buncombe TCC	\$ 21,541
Blue Ridge CC	614,792
Caldwell CC & TI	52,591
Haywood CC	4,482
Mayland CC	8,964
Southwestern CC	574,424
Tri-County CC	17,929
Wilkes CC	22,411
Total	\$1,317,134

<u>Allocation Amount and Time Period:</u> The allocation of funding is for the period of July 1, 2025 until June 30, 2026.

<u>Fund Source and Availability:</u> These funds are available from the initial appropriation in SL 2024-53, and as modified by SL 2025-26.

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