

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1997

S

1

SENATE BILL 399

Short Title: NC Biotechnology Center Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Martin of Pitt; Albertson, Dannelly, Hoyle, and Perdue.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 17, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA
3 BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER FOR PLANNING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A
4 PARKING DECK.

Whereas, the Biotechnology/Bioscience industry is growing rapidly in North Carolina; and

Whereas, meetings that share information, build infrastructure, and provide community development are growing in size along with the industry itself; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Biotechnology Center (Center) hosts over 2,000 meetings attended by 30,000 people each year; and

Whereas, more than 400 people attend meetings at the Center at any time, resulting in twice as many people attending meetings as originally projected; and

Whereas, this high level of use causes traffic hazards due to persons attempting to park along side streets leading to the Center; and

Whereas, the parking changes planned for the Center will provide 75 to 80 new parking spaces, alleviating congestion and potential traffic liabilities; Now, therefore,

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North Carolina
7 Biotechnology Center, a nonprofit corporation, the sum of three hundred thousand dollars
8 (\$300,000) for the 1997-98 fiscal year for planning for a parking deck at the Center.

1 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.