

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 134

Short Title: Civil War Tourism Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Kerr; and Wellons.

Referred to:

February 13, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PRESERVE, IMPROVE, AND PROMOTE
2 THE STATE'S CIVIL WAR ERA SITES.
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4 Whereas, North Carolina's proud Civil War era history forms an integral part
5 of the State's heritage; and

6 Whereas, heritage tourism contributes significantly to the cultural and
7 economic well-being of the State; and

8 Whereas, many of North Carolina's Civil War era sites and structures are at
9 risk of damage or neglect; and

10 Whereas, interested parties in the private sector have expressed a willingness
11 to raise funds to match State appropriations for the purpose of promoting tourism;
12 preserving, protecting, and improving Civil War era sites and structures; and developing
13 interdependent Civil War era programs for public sites and structures; Now, therefore,
14 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

15 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
16 Department of Cultural Resources the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the
17 2001-2002 fiscal year and the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the
18 2002-2003 fiscal year to preserve, improve, and promote the State's Civil War era sites.

19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.