

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

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**HOUSE BILL 1513**

Short Title: Funds for Vernon G. James Research Center. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Owens, Spear (Primary Sponsors); and Hughes.

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Referred to: Agriculture, if favorable, Appropriations.

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April 20, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE  
3 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR NORTH CAROLINA STATE  
4 UNIVERSITY TO USE TO EXPAND THE LABORATORY SPACE, DEVELOPMENT,  
5 AND SCOPE OF THE VERNON G. JAMES RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER  
6 AND TO FUND RESEARCH AND SUPPORT ADDITIONAL STAFF POSITIONS AT  
7 THE CENTER.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9       **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
10 Governors of The University of North Carolina to be allocated to North Carolina State  
11 University the sum of two million one hundred thousand dollars (\$2,100,000) for the  
12 2009-2010 fiscal year and the sum of one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000)  
13 for the 2010-2011 fiscal year to be used to expand the laboratory space, fund research, and  
14 expand the development and scope of the Vernon G. James Research and Extension Center and  
15 also to support additional staff positions at the Center. The Vernon G. James Research and  
16 Extension Center is a research facility located near Plymouth, North Carolina. The Center is  
17 used for plant biotechnology and biofuels research and is also a key asset for marketing  
18 Northeastern North Carolina to biotechnology companies interested in research on, and the  
19 development of, GMO crops.

20       **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

