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Short Title:	Funds for the Biofuels Center.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Crawford, E. Warren, Gibson, and Martin (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE BIOFUELS CENTER OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Biofuels Center of North Carolina, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, the sum of seven million two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($7,250,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for activities related to implementing North Carolina's Strategic Plan for Biofuels Leadership, developed under S.L. 2006-206 to make North Carolina more energy independent and to develop a new industry sector statewide. These funds shall be allocated as follows:

(1) $5,000,000 in recurring funds to fund the Center's administration, activities, grants program, and partnership programs with federal and other agencies.

(2) $2,000,000 for the acceleration of core initial facilities, including trial growing, greenhouses, company research, and pilot scale production on the campus of the Biofuels Center.

(3) $250,000 to implement the Military Fuels and Land Demonstration Project, a partnership with North Carolina's Eastern Region, the North Carolina Military Foundation, and the State's military bases to grow and produce biofuels for mutual agricultural, economic, and land-use benefit.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.