

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 341

Short Title: TS Fred Unexpended Funds/Wildfires. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Dixon.

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Referred to: Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 13, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW UNENCUMBERED FUNDS FOR TROPICAL STORM FRED TO BE
USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES
FOR WILDFIRE DAMAGE RECOVERY, RELIEF, AND PLANNING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, funds allocated to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services under Section 5.9A(c)(2) of S.L. 2021-180 that are unencumbered and unexpended for those purposes may be used by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as follows:

- (1) The sum of three million two hundred thousand dollars (\$3,200,000) for overtime and expenses related to suppression and rehabilitation actions associated with the Ferebee Road Fire in Hyde County, the Juniper Road Two Fire in Pender County, and wildfires in Robeson County.
- (2) The sum of eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000) for anticipated fires in the spring or summer of 2023.

SECTION 2. The reversion and reporting requirements under Sections 5.9A(e) and (l) of S.L. 2021-180 shall apply to this act.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.



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