

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 1151
HOUSE BILL 688

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR HISTORIC HALIFAX STATE HISTORIC SITE.

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3 WHEREAS, North Carolina was the first of all the Thirteen Colonies to take official
4 action for independence, by the all-important Halifax Resolves, April 12, 1776, thereby
5 preceding by more than a month the colony of Virginia, and

6 WHEREAS, our first state constitution was framed in the Town of Halifax in
7 December, 1776, and our first state governor, Richard Caswell, was elected there, and other
8 significant historical events occurred in that town, and

9 WHEREAS, the Town of Halifax has been made a State Historic Site and as such is
10 being developed by the State Department of Archives and History, and

11 WHEREAS, more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) worth of land
12 and other property has been donated to the state at Halifax, to be included in Halifax State
13 Historic Site, and

14 WHEREAS, it is important that we make known to the nation and to the world the
15 great importance of the Halifax Resolves and other significant events that occurred in Halifax,
16 and in order to do so a great deal of development of this Historic Site is needed to prepare for
17 the bicentennial of these Resolves, April 12, 1976;

18 NOW, THEREFORE,

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20 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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22 **Section 1.** There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of North Carolina
23 to the State Department of Archives and History for the purchase and development of land and
24 houses at Historic Halifax State Historic Site, and for related historical and archaeological
25 research, the sum of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.00).

26 **Sec. 1.5.** There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of North Carolina to
27 the State Department of Archives and History for the biennium (1969-71) the total sum of forty
28 thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) to be used by said department for administration expenses with
29 regard to all historic sites in North Carolina in addition to all other funds appropriated to said
30 department.

31 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are
32 hereby repealed.

33 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

34 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 30th day of June,
35 1969.