

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 1225
SENATE BILL 941

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A CLIMATE CONTROL SYSTEM IN THE MUSEUM OF THE ALBEMARLE IN ELIZABETH CITY.

Whereas, The Museum of The Albemarle was chartered on the first day of October in the year 1962 by virtue of the laws of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the purposes of the organization are: to discover and to collect museum material, such as native relics, photographs, documents and material objects illustrative of life, conditions, events and activities of the past and present in the Albemarle Region of the State of North Carolina; to provide for the preservation of such material for the educational interpretation and exhibition of such artifacts and for their accessibility as far as may be feasible to all who wish to examine or study such items; and

Whereas, the concept and nature of the museum is that of an educational institution that embraces a ten-county area which is generally influenced by the same historical antecedents; and

Whereas, the amount of forty-three thousand six hundred dollars (\$43,600) was appropriated by the 1963 North Carolina General Assembly to be used for the construction, equipping, and furnishing of a museum building and those nonrecurring expenses necessary to establish and begin operation of The Museum of The Albemarle; and

Whereas, since that time The Museum of The Albemarle has gained a broad constituency in terms of museum visitation and use of museum services; and

Whereas, The Museum of The Albemarle, situated in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, has received yearly operating support from the counties of Currituck, Camden, Perquimans and Pasquotank, and in addition has served the counties of Gates, Washington, Chowan, Hyde, Dare and Tyrrell; and

Whereas, local funds above the amount of eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) have been used for capital improvements since 1971; and

Whereas, a new wing 47 feet wide and 92 feet long has been constructed utilizing locally raised funds and volunteers; and

Whereas, the new wing lacks insulation and a climate control system; and

Whereas, The Museum of The Albemarle, during its 14-year history, has obtained and placed on display an excellent collection of historical artifacts significant to the history of the Albemarle Region and of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the installation of insulation and a climate control system in the new wing of The Museum of The Albemarle is crucial to the protection and preservation of these artifacts; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, to be expended for the installation of insulation and a climate control system in The Museum of The Albemarle, the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) for the fiscal year 1978-79.

Sec. 2. This sum is to be expended under the rules and regulations prescribed by the State Department of Cultural Resources.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 1978.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 16th day of June, 1978.