

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 423
HOUSE BILL 1130

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE TITLE II ANTIRECESSION FUNDS PURSUANT TO
EMERGENCY ORDER ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR.

Whereas, the Congress of the United States enacted on July 22, 1976, the Public Works Employment Act of 1976; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina shall receive approximately five million three hundred thousand dollars (\$5,300,000) in funds from Title II of that act in the 1976-77 fiscal year; and

Whereas, the act requires that the Title II funds shall be appropriated within six months of the date of the first payment received on November 22, 1976; and

Whereas, the overcrowding of inmates in the North Carolina prison system is a serious and increasing problem; and

Whereas, improvement in security and partial relief of this overcrowding can be achieved through the temporary conversion of available buildings within the Department of Correction confines to house inmates; and

Whereas, further improvement of this overcrowding can be achieved by transfer of under-used facilities presently assigned to other departments and their conversion to housing units for prison inmates; and

Whereas, the Governor of the State of North Carolina has declared an emergency condition in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 143, Section 15 of the General Statutes of North Carolina; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. An emergency appropriation of five million three hundred thousand dollars (\$5,300,000) is hereby made to the Department of Correction from the share of federal Title II antirecession revenue funds from the Public Works Employment Act of 1976 received by the State of North Carolina.

Sec. 2. This emergency appropriation of five million three hundred thousand dollars (\$5,300,000) is authorized to be expended by the Department of Correction for its operation according to the following schedule:

<u>Fiscal Year 1976-77</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 1977-78</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 1978-79</u>
\$190,000	\$2,850,081	\$2,259,919

Sec. 3. All funds herein appropriated will be spent in accordance with the Executive Budget Act.

Sec. 4. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after the day of its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 23rd day of May, 1977.