

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 942
SENATE BILL 461

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CERTAIN INJURIES AND DEATHS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of one hundred fifty-one thousand dollars (\$151,000) for the fiscal year 1977-78 for the purpose of settling claims against the State of North Carolina in connection with injuries or deaths caused by the collapse of bridges.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Attorney General may negotiate settlements to be paid to persons injured and to the estates of persons killed in bridge collapse incidents, the total of such settlements not to exceed the amount herein appropriated; provided, however, that no money shall be paid to any party unless a release is executed whereby all further claims of such party against the State in connection with the said bridge collapse incident are relinquished.

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1977, and shall apply to incidents occurring in 1974-75 and subsequent fiscal years.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of July, 1977.