

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 1003  
HOUSE BILL 76

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE, RELOCATION AND RESTORATION OF THE HENRY STEVENS CARSON HOUSE IN BUNCOMBE COUNTY.

Whereas, the Henry Stevens Carson House is a one-story, log dog trot cabin with a kitchen ell, constructed in mid-19th century or earlier; and

Whereas, the House has many features, including half dovetailed cornering and rock chimneys with simple curly maple or poplar mantles, which give it historical, aesthetic and cultural significance; and

Whereas, the House is located across the road from the Big Ivy Community Center grounds, land owned by Buncombe County; and

Whereas, the Big Ivy Historical Society is dedicated to the preservation of Mountain Heritage in this area of North Buncombe County and in Western North Carolina; and

Whereas, the Society feels that the Henry Stevens Carson House would be ideal as an archive of the artifacts and history of the Big Ivy Section; and

Whereas, a study performed by the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, indicates that it would be feasible to move the House to the Big Ivy Community Center grounds and to restore it for this purpose; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) for the 1981-82 fiscal year for the purchase, relocation and restoration of the Henry Stevens Carson House by the Big Ivy Historical Society. Two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of these funds shall be used to purchase the House. One thousand dollars (\$1,000) shall be used to reimburse the Big Ivy Historical Society for its cost in relocating and restoring the building.

**Sec. 2.** Big Ivy Community Center grounds and the labor supplied by the Big Ivy Historical Society for relocating and restoring the building shall constitute matching funds supplied on the local level.

**Sec. 3.** Funds appropriated in this act shall be expended only in accordance with G.S. 121-11 and G.S. 143-31.2.

**Sec. 4.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 9th day of October, 1981.