

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 347

Short Title: Grassroots Science Museum Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Easterling; Alexander, Bridgeman, Buchanan, Cansler, Culpepper, Cunningham, Earle, Gulley, Hackney, Hunter, Jarrell, Jeffus, Luebke, McAllister, McMahan, Michaux, Mitchell, Mosley, Nesbitt, Saunders, Sherrill, Thompson, and Wainwright.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 8, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO FULLY FUND THE GRASSROOTS
2 SCIENCE MUSEUM COLLABORATIVE TO ENHANCE STATE PROGRAMS IN
3 SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1.(a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department
7 of Environment and Natural Resources the sum of three million two hundred fifty
8 thousand dollars (\$3,250,000) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of three million
9 two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$3,250,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year for full
10 funding of the Grassroots Science Museum Collaborative to enhance State programs in
11 science and environmental education.

12 Section 1.(b) The Grassroots Science Museum Collaborative is administered by
13 the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences. Participating members of the
14 collaborative are as follows:

- 15 (1) Aurora Fossil Museum (Aurora, Beaufort County)
16 (2) Cape Fear Museum (Wilmington, New Hanover County)
17 (3) Catawba Science Center (Hickory, Catawba County)

- 1 (4) Colburn Gem and Mineral Museum (Asheville, Buncombe County)
2 (5) Discovery Place (Charlotte, Mecklenburg County)
3 (6) The Health Adventure Museum of Pack Place Education, Arts and
4 Science Center, Inc. (Asheville, Buncombe County)
5 (7) Imagination Station (Wilson, Wilson County)
6 (8) Museum of Coastal Carolina (Ocean Isle, Brunswick County)
7 (9) Natural Science Center of Greensboro (Greensboro, Guilford County)
8 (10) North Carolina Museum of Life and Science (Durham, Durham County)
9 (11) Rocky Mount Children's Museum (Rocky Mount, Nash County)
10 (12) Schiele Museum of Natural History (Gastonia, Gaston County)
11 (13) SciWorks Science Center and Environmental Park of Forsyth County
12 (Winston-Salem, Forsyth County)
13 (14) Western North Carolina Nature Center (Asheville, Buncombe County).
14 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.