GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

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| Short Title: | Regional Public Transportation Liability. | (Public) |
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Sponsors: Representative Miner.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES AND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES ARE INCLUDED IN THE STATE TORT CLAIMS ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143-291 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- 7 "(e) Regional Public Transportation Authorities and Regional Transportation
 8 Authorities are State agencies for purposes of this Article, and their liability in tort shall
 9 be only under this Article. Regional Public Transportation Authorities and Regional
 10 Transportation Authorities shall be obligated for payments under this Article, through
 11 the purchase of commercial insurance or otherwise in lieu of any responsibility of the
- 12 State for this payment. Regional Public Transportation Authorities and Regional
- Transportation Authorities shall be similarly obligated to reimburse or have reimbursed
- the Department of Justice for any expenses in defending any claim against a Regional Public Transportation Authority and Regional Transportation Authority under this
- 15 Public Transportation Authority and Regional Transportation Authority under this
- 16 Article."

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SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.