

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 2624

Short Title: Underground Storage Tank Prgm. Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Warren, Gibson, Owens, Harrison (Primary Sponsors);
B. Allen and Faison.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 25, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE COMMERCIAL LEAKING
3 PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP FUND TO
4 EXPEDITE THE ASSESSMENT AND CLEANUP OF DISCHARGES AND
5 RELEASES FROM PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AND
6 TO FACILITATE THE TRANSITION TO RELIANCE ON PRIVATE
7 INSURANCE, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO COVER INCREASED
9 PROGRAM OPERATING COSTS AND THE COSTS OF ANY LEGISLATIVE
10 SALARY INCREASE FOR PERSONNEL WHO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.

11 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

12 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
13 Commercial Leaking Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund the sum of
14 fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to be used as
15 provided in Part 2A and 2B of Article 21A of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes. It is
16 the intent of the General Assembly that the appropriation made by this subsection be a
17 continuing appropriation through the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

18 **SECTION 2.(a)** There is appropriated from the Commercial Leaking
19 Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund to the Department of Environment
20 and Natural Resources up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the
21 2006-2007 fiscal year as needed to cover increased program operating costs and the cost
22 of any legislative salary increase for personnel who administer the underground storage
23 tank program under Parts 2A and 2B of Article 21A of Chapter 143 of the General
24 Statutes.

25 **SECTION 2.(b)** There is appropriated from the Noncommercial Leaking
26 Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund to the Department of Environment
27 and Natural Resources up to one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the
28 2006-2007 fiscal year as needed to cover increased program operating costs and the cost

1 of any legislative salary increase for personnel who administer the underground storage
2 tank program under Parts 2A and 2B of Article 21A of Chapter 143 of the General
3 Statutes.

4 **SECTION 2.(c)** It is the intent of the General Assembly that funds
5 appropriated under this section are recurring funds and that these funds are in addition
6 to funds appropriated under subsection (b) of Section 11.4 of S. L. 2003-284 and
7 subsection (b) of Section 30.10 of S.L. 2004-124.

8 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective 1 July 2006.