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**HOUSE DRH30326-LB-297 (3/27)**

Short Title: SEIMS Election System Funds.

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Sponsors: Representatives J. Harrell and Goforth (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
TO REBUILD THE STATE ELECTIONS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM (SEIMS).

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the Election Fund under G.S. 163-82.28 to the State Board of Elections the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to rebuild the State Elections Information Management System (SEIMS). Implemented in 1999, SEIMS now needs to be rebuilt. Recent federal and State law changes make requirements that were not considered during initial system design. A convenient and cost savings method is to phase out sections of SEIMS software with "off-the-shelf" software where practicable and fiscally responsible. These would provide project management tools for the county boards of elections, enhance election night reporting, and provide voting information to the North Carolina electorate.

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.