GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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HOUSE DRH10200-LM-156 (05/01)

Short Title: Statewide Marketing/Economic Dev. Comm. Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Wilkins, Justice, Owens, and Wray (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR STATEWIDE MARKETING AND COORDINATION OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ACTIVITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce, Marketing and Customer Services Division, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to market North Carolina as a destination for business and industry location. It is the intent of the General Assembly that this be a recurring appropriation.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce, Office of the Secretary, the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to establish and support one senior level position that will serve as a departmental liaison to the State's seven regional economic development commissions, coordinate oversight of the commission's activities, and coordinate commission and Department of Commerce activities. It is the intent of the General Assembly that this be a recurring appropriation.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.