

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 2646*

Short Title: Funds/New Bern's 300th Anniversary. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Underhill and Wainwright (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 28, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE TERCENTENARY
CELEBRATION OF THE CITY OF NEW BERN.

Whereas, the City of New Bern is the second-oldest city in North Carolina;
and

Whereas, in many ways, the 300th anniversary of New Bern is the 300th
anniversary of the Colony and State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, city, county, and private sources are estimated to contribute over
70% of the \$2.15 million in anniversary celebration funds; and

Whereas, it is imperative that the State ensure the continuing success of New
Bern and its importance to North Carolina and the nation; Now, therefore,
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the New Bern
300th Anniversary Committee, a nonprofit organization, the sum of three hundred
thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to cover costs associated with
planning, promoting, and implementing a yearlong program of events in New Bern, a
statewide outreach program to North Carolina public schools, publications, and a series
of travel programs to cities across North Carolina to engage North Carolinians in our
State's history.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.