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SENATE BILL 2040*

Short Title: Montgomery Contaminated Wells Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Purcell; and Tillman.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

May 28, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY TO BE USED
2 TO IDENTIFY AND TO ADDRESS WELLS CONTAMINATED WITH
3 PESTICIDES THAT ARE LOCATED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY OR THAT
4 EXTEND INTO AN ADJOINING COUNTY.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to Montgomery
8 County the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to be
9 used for an initiative as provided in this act to address wells presently identified as
10 contaminated with pesticides where the contamination is located in Montgomery
11 County or where the contamination extends into an adjoining county as well as to
12 address similarly situated wells subsequently identified as contaminated with pesticides.

13 **SECTION 2.** The funds appropriated under Section 1 of this act may be
14 used for all of the following purposes:

- 15 (1) To test wells in order to identify which wells are contaminated with
16 pesticides and to establish the level of contamination.
- 17 (2) To educate residents and property owners of Montgomery County and
18 any adjoining county identified as having such contamination of the
19 possibility of wells being contaminated by pesticides and the location
20 of wells that are identified as contaminated.
- 21 (3) To provide potable water to residents of Montgomery County or an
22 adjoining county who receive water from wells located in the
23 contaminated areas, including the installation of drinking waterlines
24 where economically feasible.
- 25 (4) To provide fire suppression capability to these contaminated areas.
- 26 (5) To assist residents who receive water from wells located in these
27 contaminated areas when the level of contamination poses a danger to
28 the residents' health and these residents relocate.

29 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.