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HOUSE BILL 1787*

Short Title: Funds for the Biofuels Center. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Crawford, E. Warren, Gibson, Martin (Primary Sponsors);
Dockham, Heagarty, Hughes, Insko, McLawhorn, Spear, Wilkins, and Wray.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 19, 2010

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE BIOFUELS CENTER OF NORTH
CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Biofuels Center of North Carolina, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, the sum of seven million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$7,250,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. These funds shall be used for activities related to implementing North Carolina's Strategic Plan for Biofuels Leadership, developed under S.L. 2006-206 to make North Carolina more energy independent and to develop a new industry sector statewide. These funds shall be allocated as follows:

- (1) \$5,000,000 in recurring funds to fund the Center's administration, activities, grants program, and partnership programs with federal and other agencies.
- (2) \$2,000,000 for the acceleration of core initial facilities, including trial growing, greenhouses, company research, and pilot scale production on the campus of the Biofuels Center.
- (3) \$250,000 to implement the Military Fuels and Land Demonstration Project, a partnership with North Carolina's Eastern Region, the North Carolina Military Foundation, and the State's military bases to grow and produce biofuels for mutual agricultural, economic, and land-use benefit.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.

