

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 640*

Short Title: NC A&T State University/Ag. Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Robinson and Garrett (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

April 4, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO NORTH CAROLINA
2 AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY TO PROVIDE A
3 MINIMUM MATCH FOR FEDERAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT AGRICULTURAL
4 RESEARCH AND COOPERATIVE EXTENSION PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors
8 of The University of North Carolina the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in additional
9 recurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to be allocated to North Carolina Agricultural and
10 Technical State University (NC A&T State University) to support its agricultural research and
11 cooperative extension activities by matching federal funds awarded to NC A&T State University
12 as a land-grant university pursuant to the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and
13 Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended, 7 U.S.C. § 3221, et seq. The required minimum match
14 for eligibility under the program is one dollar (\$1.00) in nonfederal funds, including those made
15 available by State appropriation, for every one dollar (\$1.00) in federal funds for agricultural
16 research and extension activities approved in the plan of work submitted to the Secretary of
17 Agriculture of the United States. Without the minimum matching State funds appropriated
18 pursuant to this act, NC A&T State University may lose millions of dollars in federal funds for
19 its research and extension activities, since it is currently receiving those funds under a temporary
20 waiver for inability to meet the match requirement. It is also the intent of the General Assembly
21 to appropriate additional State funds as necessary to meet the minimum match for available
22 federal funds for this program in subsequent fiscal years to ensure compliance with federal law.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

