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MEMORANDUM

TO: Joint Legislative Committee on Governmental Operations

FROM: Judge Ralph Walker
Director 

Subject: Re-distribution of Albemarle Settlement Center Funding

Jody Minor, Executive Director of the Mediation Network of North Carolina, has requested on behalf of the network and non-network members that the 2006-07 appropriation to the now closed Albemarle Dispute Settlement Center be re-distributed among the existing active Centers. Mr. Minor reports that he has had several conversations with court officials, Senate and House members and community leaders from the Albemarle district and finds a broad consensus that there is no interest in the foreseeable future to re-develop a community dispute settlement program.

I would ask that you consider this request at your next meeting.