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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MATCH FEDERAL FUNDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATION/GENERAL FUND**

Section 1. Appropriations from the General Fund of the State for the maintenance of the State departments, institutions, and agencies, and for other purposes as enumerated are made for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, according to the schedule that follows.

<u>Current Operations - General Fund</u>	<u>1998-99</u>
Department of Crime Control and Public Safety – Matching Funds for the National Guard Tarheel Challenge Program	\$ 542,000 NR
Department of Environment and Natural Resources	
01. Federal Wastewater Assistance –	

1	Matching Funds 4,860,532 NR	
2	02. Federal Water Supply Assistance –	
3	Matching Funds 2,571,880 NR	
4	TOTAL – Department of Environment and Natural Resources	7,432,412 NR
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6	<b>TOTAL:</b> Current Operations - General Fund	\$7,974,412 NR

### CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS/GENERAL FUND

Section 2. Appropriations are made from the General Fund of the State for the 1998-99 fiscal year for use by the State departments, institutions, and agencies to provide for capital improvement projects according to the following schedule:

13	Capital Improvements - General Fund	
14	<u>1998-99</u>	
15	Department of Administration, Reserve for	
16	State Veterans Nursing Home – Salisbury	
17	Renovation of a 100-bed nursing care unit	\$1,000,000
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19	Department of Environment and Natural Resources	
20	01. State Match-Water Resources Projects – Funds	
21	for the State share of federal civil works	
22	projects \$5,240,000	
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24	02. Channel Widening/Deepening-Wilmington Port –	
25	Funds to improve navigation for shipping terminals	
26	and industries \$4,800,000	
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28	03. B. Everett Jordan Lake Water Supply – repayment of	
29	state cost-share funds for federal funds	
30	previously expended 110,000	
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32	<b>TOTAL:</b> Capital Improvements - General Fund	\$11,150,000

### AUTHORIZE TRANSFER TO MEET TANF MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENTS

Section 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, to the extent necessary to meet federal maintenance of effort requirements for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), the Department of Health and Human Services may, for the first quarter of the 1998-99 fiscal year only, use State funds for the TANF Work First Family Assistance.

### APPROPRIATE FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR WELFARE TO WORK FORMULA GRANT PLAN

1 Section 4. (a) Section 12.20A(b) of S.L. 1997-443, reads as rewritten:

2 "(b) The Department of Commerce, the Employment Security Commission, and the  
3 Department of Health and Human Services shall develop a plan to implement the  
4 Welfare-to-Work initiative in this State, develop performance goals and measures for this  
5 initiative, and estimate the cost impact on the State budget for the next five years of  
6 implementing the initiative. The Department of Commerce, the Employment Security  
7 Commission, and the Department of Health and Human Services shall report to the  
8 General Assembly its findings and recommendations by April 1, 1998. ~~The Department of  
9 Commerce shall not expend any State or federal funds for the Welfare-to-Work initiative until  
10 the amended State Plan is submitted to the General Assembly and the amended State Plan  
11 becomes law."~~

12 (b) There is appropriated to the Department of Commerce from federal Welfare to  
13 Work Block Grant funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999 the sum of twenty-five  
14 million three hundred thirty-two thousand one hundred seventy-three dollars  
15 (\$25,332,173). The Office of State Budget and Management may identify potential  
16 sources of State and local funds that may be used as a match for the federal Welfare-to-  
17 Work Block Grant.

#### 18 **WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FUNDS**

19 Section 5. (a) The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall  
20 allocate the funds appropriated in this act for water resources development projects to the  
21 following projects whose estimated costs are as indicated:  
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#### 23 Name of Project

24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	
		1.	Morehead City Harbor Turning Basin																	
		2.	Wilmington Harbor Maintenance Dredging																	
		3.	Wilmington Harbor Long-Term Disposal																	
		4.	Beaufort Harbor Maintenance Dredging																	
		5.	Manteo Shallowbag Bay Maintenance Dredging																	
		6.	Rollinson Channel Maintenance Dredging																	
			(Dare County) 400,000																	
		8.	Pine Knolls Shores Protection (Carteret Co.)																	
		9.	Tar River Road Streambank Protection																	
			(City of Greenville)																	

1	10. Battery Island Bird Habitat Restoration	140,000
2	(Brunswick County)	
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4	11. Dare County Beaches Feasibility Study	70,000
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6	12. Deep Creek Watershed Project (Yadkin Co.)	500,000
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8	Total	\$ 5,240,000

9 (b) Where the actual costs are different from the estimated costs under subsection  
10 (a) of this section, the Department may adjust the allocations among projects as needed.  
11 If any projects listed in subsection (a) of this section are delayed and the budgeted State  
12 funds cannot be used during the 1998-99 fiscal year, or if the projects listed in subsection  
13 (a) of this section are accomplished at a lower cost, the Department may use the resulting  
14 fund availability to fund any of the following:

- 15 (1) Corps of Engineers project feasibility studies.
- 16 (2) Corps of Engineers projects whose schedules have advanced and require  
17 State matching funds in fiscal year 1998-99.
- 18 (3) State-local water resources development projects.

19 Funds not expended or encumbered for these purposes shall revert to the  
20 General Fund at the end of the 1999-2000 fiscal year.

21 (c) The Department shall make quarterly reports on the use of these funds to the  
22 Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Fiscal Research  
23 Division, and the Office of State Budget and Management. Each report shall include all  
24 of the following:

- 25 (1) All projects listed in this section.
- 26 (2) The estimated cost of each project.
- 27 (3) The date that work on each project began or is expected to begin.
- 28 (4) The date that work on each project was completed or is expected to be  
29 completed.
- 30 (5) The actual cost of each project.

31 The quarterly reports shall also show those projects advanced in schedule,  
32 those projects delayed in schedule, and an estimate of the amount of funds expected to  
33 revert to the General Fund.

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### 35 CARING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

36 Section 6. G.S. 108A-70.18(8), as enacted by Section 1 of S.L. 1998-1 Extra  
37 Session, reads as rewritten:

- 38 "(8) "Uninsured" means the applicant for Program benefits was not covered  
39 under any private or employer-sponsored comprehensive health  
40 insurance plan for the six-month period immediately preceding the date  
41 ~~the Program becomes effective. —of application for Program benefits.~~  
42 ~~Effective six months from date the Program becomes effective, April 1,~~  
43 1999. "uninsured" means the applicant is and was not covered under any

1 private or employer-sponsored comprehensive health insurance plan for  
2 60 days immediately preceding the date of application. The waiting  
3 periods required under this subdivision shall be waived if the child has  
4 been enrolled in Medicaid and has lost Medicaid eligibility due to a  
5 change in family income eligibility, has lost health care benefits due to  
6 cessation of a nonprofit organization program that provides health care  
7 benefits to low-income children, or has lost employer-sponsored  
8 comprehensive health care coverage due to termination of employment,  
9 cessation by the employer of employer-sponsored health coverage, or  
10 cessation of the employer's business."

### 11 12 **MOST TEXT APPLIES ONLY TO 1998-99**

13 Section 7. Except for statutory changes or other provisions that clearly  
14 indicate an intention to have effects beyond the 1998-99 fiscal year, the textual provisions  
15 of this act apply only to funds appropriated for, and activities occurring during, the 1998-  
16 99 fiscal year.

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18 Requested by: Senators Plyler, Perdue, Odom

### 19 **1997-98 APPROPRIATIONS LIMITATIONS AND DIRECTIONS APPLY**

20 Section 8. (a) Except where expressly repealed or amended by this act, the  
21 provisions of S.L. 1997-443, S.L. 1998-1 Extra Session, S.L. 1998-9, S.L. 1998-23, and  
22 S.L. 1998-153 remain in effect.

23 (b) Notwithstanding any modifications by this act in the amounts appropriated,  
24 except where expressly repealed or amended, the limitations and directions for the 1998-  
25 99 fiscal year in S.L. 1997-443, S.L. 1998-1 Extra Session, S.L. 1998-9, S.L. 1998-23,  
26 and S.L. 1998-153 that applied to appropriations to particular agencies or for particular  
27 purposes apply to the newly enacted appropriations of this act for those same particular  
28 purposes.

### 29 30 **EFFECT OF HEADINGS**

31 Section 9. The headings to the sections of this act are a convenience to the  
32 reader and are for reference only. The headings do not expand, limit, or define the text of  
33 this act,

### 34 **SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**

35 Section 10. If any section or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional  
36 or invalid by the courts, it does not affect the validity of this act as a whole or any part  
37 other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

### 38 39 **EFFECTIVE DATE**

40 Section 11. Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective July 1,  
41 1998.