GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1052

Short Title: Freedom House Funds.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representatives Insko and Hackney.	
Referred to: Appropriations.	

April 14, 1999

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAMS OF FREEDOM HOUSE.

Whereas, Freedom House is a nonprofit organization that provides residential care to promote recovery from the disease of addiction; and

Whereas, since 1971, Freedom House's mission has been to help those afflicted with alcoholism or drug addiction by providing the tools necessary to lead a life of recovery and to become productive members of society; and

Whereas, alcohol and drug abuse have a direct correlation to indigence, unemployment, family disease, adolescent pregnancy, school dropout rates, crime, chronic illness, and death; and

Whereas, Freedom House offers detoxification programs, a short-term acute stabilization program, a women's long-term halfway house, and a men's halfway house in conjunction with its LifeSkills Education program, which looks at the full range of needs and multiple like issues clients bring with them as they enter treatment, addressing recovery, educational, vocational, and interpersonal skills; and

Whereas, Freedom House serves clients from Orange, Person, Chatham, Wake, Durham, Lee, Harnett, Alamance, and Johnston Counties as well as from outside the immediate area; and

Whereas, during the past year, Freedom House served over 630 people; and

Whereas, funds are needed to meet the increasing demand for additional services; Now, therefore,

1 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to Freedom House, a nonprofit corporation, the sum of one hundred forty-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$144,500) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year to assist in funding its new men's halfway facility and its LifeSkills Education program.

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.