

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 506*
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/29/07

Short Title: Burke Co. Local Agreement.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 7, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE WESTERN PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO
2 ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BURKE COUNTY.
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 115D-15.1(c),
6 G.S. 143-341(3)a., or any other provision of law pertaining to capital improvements,
7 Western Piedmont Community College may enter into an agreement with Burke County
8 to jointly renovate a building owned by Burke County that is located at 2128 South
9 Sterling Street in Morganton. Western Piedmont Community College may use State
10 grant funds for the renovation of the building. The renovated facility shall be known as
11 the Foothills Allied Health and Sciences Higher Education Center.

12 Burke County shall lease a portion of the facility consisting of college
13 classrooms, office space, and laboratories to Western Piedmont Community College for
14 a period of 40 years. The remainder of the facility consisting of multipurpose space
15 shall be maintained and operated by Burke County.

16 If at any time Burke County terminates the lease, the county shall reimburse
17 to Western Piedmont Community College a prorated amount of the State grant funds
18 used for the renovation.

19 **SECTION 1.(b)** Except for G.S. 143-128.2 and G.S. 143-128.3, the
20 provisions of Article 8 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes shall not apply to the
21 renovation of the facility.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and expires
23 December 31, 2011.