

S.L. 2018-5 AND OTHER LEGISLATIVE BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Capital Budget Highlights

The Conference Report provides net appropriations of \$155 million for Capital and \$65 million for repairs and renovations. Highlights of the Conference Committee and other legislative actions in Capital follow below:

Special Provisions

- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Provides \$15 million to the NC School of Science and Mathematics – Morganton to match \$5 million the school will raise privately.
- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Provides \$13 million to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources for the NC Zoo, Fort Fisher Museum, and NC Museum of History expansion planning.
- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Continues the replacement of the aging steam plant on the Western Carolina University Campus.
- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Provides \$7.5 million to the Department of Justice to renovate a dormitory and the State Crime Lab.
- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Provides \$7.2 million to the Department of Public Safety to complete the funding of the Rockingham Youth Development Center. The project was appropriated \$13.2 million last year and the total project cost is \$20.3 million.
- (Sec. 36.2.a, Page 211) Provides \$61 million for various State agency and UNC projects to supplement funding from the 2015 Connect NC Bond.
- (Sec. 36.3.a, Page 212) Fully funds the Water Resources Development Project request from the Department of Environmental Quality and draws down \$58 million in federal funds.
- (S.L. 2018-97, Section 9.1, Budget Technical Corrections & Study) authorizes the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to fund the construction of two State veterans' homes.