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HOUSE BILL 1521

Short Title: Indian Cultural Center Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hasty, DeVane, and Locks.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 2, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA INDIAN CULTURAL CENTER.

Whereas, the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center is a major cultural and economic project that will touch and improve the lives of the majority of North Carolina's Indian citizens, and provide significant economic benefits to Indian citizens in particular and to rural southeastern North Carolina in general; and

Whereas, the project is being developed with the active support of the five North Carolina Indian tribes, the three urban Indian organizations, and the State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the Center will include Indian villages, a museum, arts and crafts displays and sales, art exhibits, dance and drama performances, recreational facilities, a restaurant, and other related activities; and

Whereas, the Center will be a self-sufficient economic resource that will provide substantial direct and indirect economic benefits to Robeson County and the surrounding counties; and

Whereas, the Center will serve to celebrate and perpetuate the southeastern Indian heritage and promote inter-cultural communication and understanding; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center, Inc., \$750,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$1,175,000 for the 1990-91 fiscal year to be used as follows:

- 1 (1) \$325,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$150,000 for the 1990-91
2 fiscal year shall be used for a boundary survey, a topographic map, and
3 land consolidation;
- 4 (2) \$175,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$775,000 for the 1990-91
5 fiscal year shall be used for advance planning, construction,
6 landscaping, and security for the visitors center;
- 7 (3) \$100,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$100,000 for the 1990-91
8 fiscal year shall be used for advance planning and construction of
9 nature trails, a river walk, a pedestrian foot bridge, a recreational
10 vehicle park, and a sanitary disposal system;
- 11 (4) \$50,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$75,000 for the 1990-91 fiscal
12 year shall be used for advance planning and construction of an Indian
13 village; and
- 14 (5) \$100,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$75,000 for the 1990-91
15 fiscal year shall be used for electrical upgrade and theater construction
16 for the drama "Strike at the Wind".
- 17 Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.