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SENATE BILL 1287

Short Title: Executive Mansion Funds.

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Sponsors: Senator Royall.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A MATCHING GRANT ON BEHALF  
OF THE EXECUTIVE MANSION.

Whereas, in 1991 the Executive Mansion will celebrate 100 years of service to the people of this State; and

Whereas, 25 Governors and their families have resided at the Mansion, which currently hosts 250 official State functions, meetings and celebrations annually; and

Whereas, more than 50,000 school children and adults tour the Mansion each year; and

Whereas, much of the Mansion's 34,000 square-foot interior has been decorated through the initiative and efforts of private individuals, corporations and foundations across the State; and

Whereas, the Executive Mansion Fine Arts Committee, the official State body charged with the care and stewardship of the Executive Mansion, has raised and contributed more than one million dollars for the Mansion since its founding in 1965; and

Whereas, in planning for the Mansion's centennial celebration, the Committee has identified two million dollars of needs for the Mansion; and

Whereas, a thorough study of the private fund raising possibilities for the Executive Mansion clearly demonstrates that private individuals, corporations and foundations are willing to contribute at least one million dollars of the funds needed, provided that the State reconfirms its commitment to the Executive Mansion; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

1           Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Executive  
2 Mansion Fund, Inc., for fiscal year 1989-90 the sum of \$1,000,000, provided an equal  
3 amount of non-State funds is raised by that corporation for the Executive Mansion.

4           Sec. 2. State funds appropriated by Section 1 of this act may be used only as  
5 follows:

6           (1) For the Fine Arts Reserve Fund, to be used for acquisitions,  
7 restoration, and operations but not for staff support; and

8           (2) For immediate needs for restoration and acquisitions for the first floor  
9 public areas of the Mansion.

10          Sec. 3. State funds may only be released to the Executive Mansion Fund, Inc.,  
11 upon receipt of actual cash, stock, securities and other items valued in a manner  
12 consistent with federal and State law and regulations regarding deductions for charitable  
13 donations; and legally binding pledges of support from corporations, foundations, and  
14 private individuals.

15          Sec. 4. No State funds may be used in support of fund-raising costs, the  
16 centennial book, or to fund staff support of the Executive Mansion Fine Arts Committee  
17 or the Executive Mansion Fund, Inc.

18          Sec. 5. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.