

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 162

Short Title: Environmental Specialist Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Walker; Plyler, Tally, and Lee.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
2 ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR
3 ALLOCATION TO COUNTIES TO ASSIST WITH ENVIRONMENTAL
4 SPECIALIST SALARY EXPENSES.
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6 Whereas, economic development throughout the State has contributed to
7 increases in the number of business establishments covered by State and local sanitation
8 inspection requirements; and

9 Whereas, sanitation inspections to ensure compliance with public health laws
10 are the joint responsibility of the State and local health departments; and

11 Whereas, financial resources have not kept pace with increased demands on
12 local health department personnel charged with conducting sanitation inspections; and

13 Whereas, public health policy and laws of this State are developed and
14 enacted to preserve and protect the health of its citizens; Now, therefore,

15 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

16 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
17 Environment, Health, and Natural Resources the sum of \$1,900,000 for the 1991-92
18 fiscal year and the sum of \$1,900,000 for the 1992-93 fiscal year to assist with salary
19 and related costs for one environmental specialist in each county. From the funds
20 appropriated in this act, the Department shall allocate the sum of \$19,000 to each county
21 for each fiscal year for this purpose. State funds appropriated under this act shall be
22 used to supplement and not supplant local funds allocated for public health purposes.

23 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1991.