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HOUSE BILL 1297

Short Title: Hist. Bl. Coll. Sci. Funds.

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Sponsors: Representative H. Hunter.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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May 7, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A SPECIAL BIOTECHNOLOGY  
2 PROGRAM INITIATIVE FOR NORTH CAROLINA'S HISTORICALLY BLACK  
3 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North Carolina  
7 Biotechnology Center the sum of five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000) for the  
8 1993-94 fiscal year and the sum of five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000) for  
9 the 1994-95 fiscal year to enable the Center to develop a special biotechnology program  
10 initiative for North Carolina's Historically Black Colleges and Universities as a means  
11 to get more funds to these institutions of higher education in the short run to help them  
12 develop their biotechnology programs and as a means to develop a mechanism to  
13 improve these institutions' capacity over the long term.

14 The Center's special initiative funded by this act shall, at a minimum, provide  
15 for:

- 16 (1) A range of program activities designed to enhance the existing  
17 strengths and capabilities of the Historically Black Colleges and  
18 Universities;
- 19 (2) A Facilities and Infrastructure Review Committee to advise the Center  
20 on major program elements and priority projects that would be most  
21 helpful to these institutions;
- 22 (3) A full-time staff person to coordinate the special initiative; and

- 1           (4)    A Program Advisory Panel with representation from these institutions  
2                    to advise and make recommendations to the Center's President and  
3                    Board of Directors on funding proposals under this initiative.  
4            The Center shall report to the General Assembly by March 15, 1994, on the  
5 development and implementation of this special initiative.  
6            Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1993.