GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1997 SESSION

S.L. 1997-418 SENATE BILL 490

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET TO CONTINUE EXPENDITURES FOR THE OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT AT THE LEVEL IN EFFECT ON JUNE 30, 1997, AND TO EXTEND EXPIRING PROVISIONS OF LAW ON THE SENTENCING COMMISSION, FICTITIOUS LICENSES AND REGISTRATION PLATES ON PUBLICLY OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES, LOWER NEUSE RIVER BASIN ASSOCIATION FUNDS, AND BEAVER DAMAGE CONTROL FUNDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

FUNDS SHALL NOT REVERT

Section 1. Section 5 of S.L. 1997-256, as rewritten by Section 1 of S.L. 1997-347 and Section 1 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"Section 5. If the provisions of Senate Bill 352, 3rd edition, Senate Bill 352, 5th edition, or both, direct that funds shall not revert, the funds shall not revert on June 30, 1997. Unless these funds are encumbered on or before June 30, 1997, these funds shall not be expended after June 30, 1997, except as provided by a statute that becomes effective after June 30, 1997. If no such statute is enacted prior to August 22, 1997, August 29, 1997, these funds shall revert to the appropriate fund on that date."

EXTEND SENTENCING COMMISSION

Section 2. Section 8 of Chapter 1076 of the 1989 Session Laws, as amended by Chapters 812 and 816 of the 1991 Session Laws, Chapters 253, 321, and 591 of the 1993 Session Laws, Chapter 236 of the 1995 Session Laws, Section 6 of S.L. 1997-256, Section 2 of S.L. 1997-347, and Section 2 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 6. This act is effective upon ratification, and shall expire August 22, 1997. August 29, 1997."

AUTHORIZATION OF FICTITIOUS LICENSES AND REGISTRATION PLATES ON PUBLICLY OWNED MOTOR VEHICLES

Section 3. Section 23(c) of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of the 1996 Second Extra Session, as rewritten by Section 8 of S.L. 1997-256, Section 4 of S.L. 1997-347, and Section 4 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"(c) Subsection (a) of this section expires August 22, 1997. August 29, 1997."

LOWER NEUSE RIVER BASIN ASSOCIATION FUNDS

- Section 4. Section 27.8(a) of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of the 1996 Second Extra Session, as rewritten by Section 9 of S.L. 1997-256, Section 5 of S.L. 1997-347, and Section 5 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:
- "(a) Of the funds appropriated by this act to the Lower Neuse River Basin Association for the 1996-97 fiscal year, the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) shall be allocated as grants to local government units in the Neuse River Basin to assist those local government units in fulfilling their obligations under the Neuse River Nutrient Sensitive Waters Management Strategy plan adopted by the Environmental Management Commission. The funds are contingent upon the adoption of the plan by the Environmental Management Commission fails to adopt the plan by August 22, 1997, August 29, 1997, then the funds shall revert to the General Fund."

BEAVER DAMAGE CONTROL FUNDS

Section 5. Subsection (h) of Section 69 of Chapter 1044 of the 1991 Session Laws, as amended by Section 111 of Chapter 561 of the 1993 Session Laws, Section 27.3 of Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws, Section 26.6 of Chapter 507 of the 1995 Session Laws, Section 27.15(c) of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of the 1996 Second Extra Session, Section 10 of S.L. 1997-256, Section 6 of S.L. 1997-347, and Section 6 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"(h) Subsections (a) through (d) of this section expire August 22, 1997. August 29, 1997."

CHANGES IN THE EXECUTION OF THE BUDGET

Section 6. Section 11 of S.L. 1997-256, as rewritten by Section 7 of S.L. 1997-347 and Section 7 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"Section 11. The amendments to G.S. 143-27 that were enacted in Section 7.4(h)(2) of Chapter 18 of the Session Laws of the 1996 Second Extra Session shall become effective August 22, 1997. August 29, 1997."

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 7. (a)Section 13 of S.L. 1997-256, as rewritten by Section 9 of S.L. 1997-347 and Section 10 of S.L. 1997-401, reads as rewritten:

"Section 13. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997, except that Sections 5 through 10 of this act become effective June 30, 1997. This act expires August 22, 1997. August 29, 1997."

(b) Except as otherwise provided, this act becomes effective August 22, 1997. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of August, 1997.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives s/ James B. Hunt, Jr. Governor

Approved 2:15 p.m. this 21st day of August, 1997