

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 385

Short Title: Establish Mountain Island State Forest.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Rayfield and Barefoot.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 10, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL AND OPERATIONAL COSTS OF ESTABLISHING THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND EDUCATIONAL STATE FOREST TO BE LOCATED IN LINCOLN AND GASTON COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. (a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Forest Resources, the sum of three million two hundred fifty-five thousand five hundred eighty-one dollars (\$3,255,581) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year to be allocated as follows:

(1) \$2,717,300 shall be used for the capital costs associated with preparing the site and constructing offices, an educational center, and associated structures to establish the Mountain Island Educational State Forest to be located in Lincoln and Gaston Counties; and

(2) \$538,281 shall be used to establish and support five positions for the Mountain Island Educational State Forest and for equipment needed for these positions.

Section 1.(b) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Forest Resources, the sum of two hundred sixty-eight thousand eight hundred forty-six dollars (\$268,846) for the 2000-

- 1 2001 fiscal year to maintain and support the positions and equipment under subdivision
- 2 (a)(2) of this section.
- 3 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.