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HOUSE BILL 396

Short Title: Comm. College Operating Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Rayfield; Arnold, Barbee, Barefoot, Bridgeman, Cansler, Clary, Dedmon, Dockham, Gulley, Hill, Hurley, Kiser, Moore, Morris, Sexton, Smith, Walend, and C. Wilson.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 11, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF PLANT AT
COMMUNITY COLLEGES.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115D-31(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) The State Board of Community Colleges shall be responsible for providing, from sources available to the State Board, funds to meet the financial needs of institutions, as determined by policies and regulations of the State Board, for the following budget items:

- (1) Plant Fund. – Furniture and equipment for administrative and instructional purposes, library books, and other items of capital outlay approved by the State Board. Provided, the State Board may, on an equal matching-fund basis from appropriations made by the State for the purpose, grant funds to individual institutions for the purchase of land, construction and remodeling of institutional buildings determined by the State Board to be necessary for the instructional programs or administration of such institutions. For the purpose of determining amount of matching State funds, local funds shall include expenditures

1 made prior to the enactment of this Chapter or prior to an institution
2 becoming a community college pursuant to the provisions of this
3 Chapter, when such expenditures were made for the purchase of land,
4 construction, and remodeling of institutional buildings subsequently
5 determined by the State Board to be necessary as herein specified, and
6 provided such local expenditures have not previously been used as the
7 basis for obtaining matching State funds under the provisions of this
8 Chapter or any other laws of the State. Notwithstanding the provisions
9 of this subdivision, G.S. 116-53(b), or G.S. 143-31.4, appropriations by
10 the State of North Carolina for capital or permanent improvements for
11 community colleges may be matched with any prior expenditure of non-
12 State funds for capital construction or land acquisition not already used
13 for matching purposes.

14 (2) Current Operating Expenses:

- 15 a. General administration. – Salaries and other costs as determined
16 by the State Board necessary to carry out the functions of general
17 administration.
18 b. Instructional services. – Salaries and other costs as determined by
19 the State Board necessary to carry out the functions of
20 instructional services.
21 c. Support services. – Salaries and other costs as determined by the
22 State Board necessary to carry out the functions of support
23 services.

24 d. Plant operation and maintenance:

- 25 1. Salaries of janitors, maids, watchmen, maintenance and repair
26 employees.
27 2. Cost of fuel, water, power, and telephones.
28 3. Cost of janitorial supplies and materials.
29 4. Cost of operation of motor vehicles.
30 5. Cost of maintenance and repairs of buildings and grounds.
31 6. Maintenance and replacement of furniture and equipment
32 provided from local funds.
33 7. Maintenance of plant heating, electrical, and plumbing
34 equipment.
35 8. Maintenance of all other equipment, including motor vehicles,
36 provided by local funds.
37 9. Rental of land and buildings.
38 10. Any other expenses necessary for plant operation and
39 maintenance.

- 40 (3) Additional Support for Regional Institutions as Defined in G.S. 115D-
41 2(4). – Matching funds to be used with local funds to meet the financial
42 needs of the regional institutions for the items set out in G.S. 115D-
43 32(a)(2)a. Amount of matching funds to be provided by the State under

1 this section shall be determined as follows: The population of the
2 administrative area in which the regional institution is located shall be
3 called the "local factor," the combined populations of all other counties
4 served by the institution shall be called the "State factor." When the
5 budget for the items listed in G.S. 115D-32(a)(2)a has been approved
6 under the procedures set out in G.S. 115D-45, the administrative area in
7 which the regional institution is located shall provide a percentage to be
8 determined by dividing the local factor by the sum of the local factor
9 and the State factor. The State shall provide a percentage of the
10 necessary funds to meet this budget, the percentage to be determined by
11 dividing the State factor by the sum of the local factor and the State
12 factor. If the local administrative area provides less than its
13 proportionate share, the amount of State funds provided shall be reduced
14 by the same proportion as were the administrative area funds.

15 Wherever the word "population" is used in this subdivision, it shall
16 mean the population of the particular area in accordance with the latest
17 United States census."

18 Section 2. G.S. 115D-32(a) reads as rewritten:

19 "(a) The tax-levying authority of each institution shall be responsible for providing,
20 in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 115D-33 or 115D-34, as appropriate, adequate
21 funds to meet the financial needs of the institutions for the following budget items:

22 (1) Plant Fund: Acquisition of land; erection of all buildings; alterations and
23 additions to buildings; purchase of automobiles, buses, trucks, and other
24 motor vehicles; purchase or rental of all equipment necessary for the
25 maintenance of buildings and grounds and operation of plants; and
26 purchase of all furniture and equipment not provided for administrative
27 and instructional purposes.

28 (2) Current expenses:

29 a. ~~Plant operation and maintenance:~~

30 1. ~~Salaries of janitors, maids, watchmen, maintenance and~~
31 ~~repair employees.~~

32 — 2. ~~Cost of fuel, water, power, and telephones.~~

33 — 3. ~~Cost of janitorial supplies and materials.~~

34 4. ~~Cost of operation of motor vehicles.~~

35 5. ~~Cost of maintenance and repairs of buildings and grounds.~~

36 6. ~~Maintenance and replacement of furniture and equipment~~
37 ~~provided from local funds.~~

38 7. ~~Maintenance of plant heating, electrical, and plumbing~~
39 ~~equipment.~~

40 8. ~~Maintenance of all other equipment, including motor~~
41 ~~vehicles, provided by local funds.~~

42 9. ~~Rental of land and buildings.~~

- 1 ~~10. Any other expenses necessary for plant operation and~~
2 ~~maintenance.~~
- 3 b. Support services:
- 4 1. Cost of insurance for buildings, contents, motor vehicles,
- 5 workers' compensation for institutional employees paid
- 6 from local funds, and other necessary insurance.
- 7 2. Any tort claims awarded against the institution due to the
- 8 negligence of the institutional employees.
- 9 3. Cost of bonding institutional employees for the protection
- 10 of local funds and property.
- 11 4. Cost of elections held in accordance with G.S. 115D-33
- 12 and 115D-35.
- 13 5. Legal fees incurred in connection with local
- 14 administration and operation of the institution."

15 Section 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of

16 Community Colleges the sum of seventy-five million nine hundred fifty-three thousand

17 seven hundred forty dollars (\$75,953,740) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year and the sum of

18 seventy-five million nine hundred fifty-three thousand seven hundred forty dollars

19 (\$75,953,740) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year for maintenance of plant at community

20 colleges.

21 Section 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.