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**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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**HOUSE BILL 583**

Short Title: Arts Center Funds.

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Sponsors: Representative Insko.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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March 24, 1999

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ASSIST THE ARTS CENTER IN THE TOWN OF CARRBORO WITH FACILITY REPAIRS.**

Whereas, The Arts Center, centrally located in Carrboro, North Carolina, provides documented service to over 61 of the 100 North Carolina counties; and

Whereas, The Arts Center is a nonprofit organization and has been providing service in North Carolina since 1976; and

Whereas, The Arts Center serves over 50,000 adults and children each year at its Carrboro site and an additional 50,000 in outreach programs; and

Whereas, The Arts Center receives less than 3% of its support from State funding through the North Carolina Arts Council; and

Whereas, The Arts Center is in need of facility repairs and upgrades in technological systems in order to continue to provide the highest quality programs possible; and

Whereas, The Arts Center is a site for the North Carolina premier of plays and North Carolina theater companies; and

Whereas, The Arts Center serves as an incubator for new works by North Carolina artists; and

Whereas, The Arts Center is listed in the national Top 100 Art Towns in the USA; and

Whereas, 75% of the artists presented at The Arts Center are North Carolina artists; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to The Arts Center, a nonprofit corporation, the sum of one hundred seventy-eight thousand seven hundred dollars (\$178,700) for the 1999-2000 fiscal year for repairs and upgrades to its facility and technology systems.

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.