GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1999

SENATE BILL 1374

Short Title: NCSU Poultry Faculty Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Plyler; and Purcell.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

May 23, 2000

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THREE ADDITIONAL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE AREA SPECIALIZED FIELD FACULTY POSITIONS AT NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Whereas, poultry farm families and poultry companies in North Carolina have been working together for a number of years promoting best management practices and good environmental stewardship; and

Whereas, poultry farmers have recently spent over 13,800 hours in voluntary educational workshop sessions on nutrient management, with the cost being borne by North Carolina's poultry industry; and

Whereas, over 3,450 poultry farmers have worked closely with officials at North Carolina State University, the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, and other industry advocates in providing further instruction on best management practices; and

Whereas, over 160 educational workshops have been conducted in key areas all across North Carolina by specially trained instructors with North Carolina State University and the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service; and

Whereas, this proactive, voluntary action by North Carolina's poultry farm families has greatly benefited the entire State; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina, therefore, needs to assist poultry farmers in the proper sampling of the soil and litter on their poultry farms, in cooperation with the

Agronomics Division of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; and

Whereas, there is a critical need for additional area specialized poultry field faculty to provide current and future assistance to North Carolina's poultry growers and poultry companies in the areas of nutrient management and enhanced environmental caretaking; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of one hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$180,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year to be allocated to North Carolina State University to support three new area specialized poultry field faculty positions to cover the following three multicounty areas:

- (1) Union, Stanly, Anson, and Cabarrus Counties.
- (2) Bertie, Edgecombe, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, Hertford, and Gates Counties.
- (3) Hoke, Robeson, Cumberland, Bladen, and Columbus Counties.
- 11 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2000.