

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1371

Short Title: Organic Certification Cost-Share Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Mitchell; and Luebke.

Referred to: Appropriations.

April 24, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AN ORGANIC CERTIFICATION COST-
3 SHARING PROGRAM AND A GRANT-IN-AID TO THE CAROLINA FARM
4 STEWARDSHIP ASSOCIATION.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
7 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services the sum of one hundred fifty
8 thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and the sum of one hundred
9 fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the 2002-2003 fiscal year to establish a
10 cost-sharing program for the certification of organic farms and a grant-in-aid to the
11 Carolina Farm Stewardship Association, which promotes organic and sustainable
12 agriculture as a viable alternative for small, family farms.

13 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.