

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
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**SENATE BILL 1629**

Short Title: UNC/Research and Jobs Funds. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Stevens; Atwater, Berger of Franklin, Bingham, Brock, Clodfelter, Cowell, Garrou, Garwood, Hagan, Hartsell, Kerr, Lucas, Malone, Nesbitt, Purcell, Rand, Smith, Snow, Swindell, Tillman, and Weinstein.

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Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

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May 18, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FOR RESEARCH AND JOBS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to the Biomanufacturing Training and Education Center (BTEC) at North Carolina State University. This funding shall be used to provide operating support, curriculum development, and equipment.

**SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to fund the Biomanufacturing Research Institute and Technology Enterprise (BRITE) at North Carolina Central University. This funding shall provide operating support, curriculum development, and equipment.

**SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of one million seven hundred fifty-eight thousand six hundred ninety-seven dollars (\$1,758,697) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to be used by the Center for Rapid Prototyping at Western Carolina University for additional staffing and equipment.

**SECTION 4.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to fund the Economic Development Partnership Initiative at North Carolina State University. These funds shall be used to develop economic partnerships throughout the State, to provide support for the New Business Creation Initiative (NBCI), that will identify intellectual property developed at

1 the University and advance the business opportunities for the intellectual property, and  
2 to provide workforce preparedness in the areas of globalization and its impact on North  
3 Carolina.

4 **SECTION 5.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
5 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of one million seven hundred  
6 sixty thousand dollars (\$1,760,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to help establish the  
7 Hickory Center for Engineering Technology and to support the use of two adjoining  
8 buildings in Hickory for the development of engineering technology programs. Of the  
9 funds appropriated by this act, the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars  
10 (\$1,100,000) shall be used for nonrecurring costs, and the sum of six hundred sixty  
11 thousand dollars (\$660,000) shall be used for recurring costs.

12 **SECTION 6.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
13 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of four million dollars  
14 (\$4,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to create a research development fund. This  
15 funding will support the creation of a research investment program under which each  
16 constituent institution of The University of North Carolina would receive a share of a  
17 research investment program pool based upon that institution's annual research activity.

18 **SECTION 7.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
19 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of four hundred thousand  
20 dollars (\$400,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to expand the HUB Contractor  
21 Academy program. HUB Academies provide opportunities for minority contractors to  
22 learn strategies for successful participation in public construction projects.

23 **SECTION 8.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
24 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of ten million four hundred  
25 seventy-five thousand eight hundred thirty nine dollars (\$10,475,839) for the 2006-2007  
26 fiscal year to enhance the recruitment of outstanding graduate students. These funds  
27 would be used to offer an additional 900 graduate tuition awards that cover the  
28 difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition.

29 **SECTION 9.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
30 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of five hundred thousand  
31 dollars (\$500,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for joint purchasing and licensing of  
32 electronic materials. Collective purchase of electronic resources would provide a  
33 consistent and stable digital library to support the campuses thereby increasing the  
34 amount of information available to students and faculty at far less cost than if each  
35 institution were to license its resources individually.

36 **SECTION 10.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
37 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of four million dollars  
38 (\$4,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for a campus information technology  
39 infrastructure update.

40 **SECTION 11.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
41 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of six million dollars  
42 (\$6,000,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for Data Center Consolidation and Disaster  
43 Recovery. These funds shall be used to enable campuses to update aging information  
44 technology infrastructure, to acquire backup and recovery resources, crisis

1 communications software, centralized staff and data center services to address unmet  
2 disaster recovery needs, and to transition to increased consolidation of data center  
3 operations for critical University System applications.

4           **SECTION 12.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of  
5 Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of twenty-two million seven  
6 hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$22,725,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for  
7 the Renaissance Computing Institute for staff support, computer operations and  
8 equipment. Of the funds appropriated by this section, the sum of eleven million two  
9 hundred thousand dollars (\$11,200,000) shall be used for nonrecurring costs, and the  
10 sum of eleven million five hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$11,525,000) shall be  
11 used for recurring costs.

12           **SECTION 13.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.