GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE DRH50598-LG-386A* (03/13)

Short Title:	Funds for New Drug Testing Technology.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Justice, McComas, and Braxton (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR NEW DRUG TESTING TECHNOLOGY TO ALLOW LOCAL AND REGIONAL CONTROL AND FASTER DRUG TESTING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Governor's Crime Commission the sum of three million dollars ($3,000,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year to be used to provide grants for local drug testing technology called NarTest.

SECTION 1.(b) The Governor's Crime Commission shall develop the criteria for eligibility for these funds. The criteria shall include the incident of drug cases and presentation of a written plan for the reduction in drug cases sent to the lab at the State Bureau of Investigation with use of the technology. Funds shall be made available to police departments, sheriffs offices, and multiple departments that may apply together for funds to purchase NatTest.

SECTION 1.(c) The Governor's Crime Commission shall report on the uses of these funds no later than April 1, 2008, to the Senate and House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety and the Fiscal Research Division.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.