

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 2549

Short Title: NC Biotechnology Center Loans Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Holliman, T. Harrell (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Gibson, Glazier, McGee, Ross, Wainwright, E. Warren, R. Warren, Wilkins, and Williams.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 26, 2008

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA
3 BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER FOR ITS LOAN PROGRAM INITIATIVE IN
4 ORDER TO EXPAND THE BIOTECHNOLOGY INDUSTRIAL SECTOR OF
5 THE NORTH CAROLINA ECONOMY.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North
8 Carolina Biotechnology Center the sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) for the
9 2008-2009 fiscal year for the Biotechnology Center's initiative to expand loan programs
10 for pre-venture capital companies for the purpose of expanding the biotechnology
11 industrial sector of the North Carolina economy. The matching requirements for these
12 loans shall be changed in order to provide up to four million five hundred thousand
13 dollars (\$4,500,000) in loans to start-up life science companies or for equity investments
14 in life science companies.

15 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.