

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 1238  
SENATE BILL 1189

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN AGRICULTURAL  
EXTENSION AREA LIVESTOCK SPECIALIST TO WORK IN THE NORTHWEST  
NORTH CAROLINA AREA.

Whereas, the counties of Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Davie, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin in the northwest corner of our State are the oldest and largest beef cattle producing area of the State with a population of 50,250 head of beef cows and 65,350 yearling steers producing an annual income of over twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) from beef alone plus a potential for expansion in the production of feeder and stocker cattle to several times the present volume; and

Whereas, over one half of the sheep in the entire State are presently located in these counties and this is one of the very few areas favorable for sheep expansion; and

Whereas, feeder pig production is a new and growing endeavor in these counties with great potential for expansion in the next 10 years; and

Whereas, a cooperative marketing program in the counties at the present time includes seven yearling steer sales, representing one half of the State's total, two stocker cattle sales, four feeder calf sales, a wool pool and an experimental lamb marketing program and two feeder pig sales in adjacent counties; and

Whereas, the resources needed to supervise the expansion of the livestock in this area are in excess of resources presently available for these purposes to the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the State of North Carolina, in addition to all other appropriations, to the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service at North Carolina State University the sum of twenty-seven thousand one hundred fifty-six dollars (\$27,156) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974, and ending June 30, 1975, with this sum to become a part of the "Continuation" or "Base" Budget of this State agency for the general purposes set forth in the preamble of this act.

**Sec. 2.** The above-named agency shall handle and coordinate the administration and expenditure of all funds appropriated by this action and for the purposes herein designated shall be accounted for and reported to the fiscal and financial system of the agency to which the appropriation is made as herein set forth.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall become effective July 1, 1974.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 10th day of April, 1974.