

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1979 SESSION

CHAPTER 1011  
HOUSE BILL 291

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL FACILITY NEAR ELIZABETH  
CITY.

Whereas, the Albemarle Livestock Show and Sale, Incorporated, is a nonprofit community service organization serving the counties of Camden, Currituck, Gates, Pasquotank, and Perquimans; and

Whereas, the purpose of the Albemarle Livestock Show and Sale, Inc., is to develop and promote livestock and general agricultural production and marketing and to assist in the development of agri-business in the Albemarle area by sponsoring livestock shows and sales, training schools, youth demonstration events, and similar events for adult training, and to promote a regional farmer's market; and

Whereas, the five counties served by the organization produces annually some thirty-seven million dollars (\$37,000,000) worth of corn and soybeans, one hundred ten million dollars (\$110,000,000) worth of vegetables, and fourteen percent (14%) of the North Carolina pork supply, leads the State in the production of Irish potatoes, and produces major quantities of peanuts, wheat and sorghum; and

Whereas, the Albemarle Livestock Show and Sale, Inc., owns a 5.1-acre tract of land adjacent to the Museum of the Albemarle near Elizabeth City, but the association's functioning is hampered by the lack of suitable housing for its activities; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 1979-80 fiscal year, to be made available to Albemarle Livestock Show and Sale, Inc., to construct a facility to be used for an agricultural development and training center and as a farmer's market. None of the funds appropriated in this act shall be made available unless they are matched with an equal amount by the Albemarle Livestock Show and Sale, Inc. None of the funds appropriated in this act may be used for operating the facility.

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June, 1979.