

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1046
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/26/89

Short Title: Spencer Shops Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 6, 1989

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CONTINUED SITE IMPROVEMENTS
3 AT SPENCER SHOPS STATE HISTORIC SITE.

4 Whereas, Spencer Shops State Historic Site was established in 1977 as the
5 North Carolina Transportation History Museum through funds appropriated by the
6 General Assembly and through the gift of Southern Railway Corporation; and

7 Whereas, Spencer Shops State Historic Site attracts over 60,000 visitors to
8 the site annually and utilizes more than 19,000 volunteer hours each year; and

9 Whereas, the North Carolina Transportation History Corporation has
10 provided invaluable support services for the continued restoration of the site and its
11 railroad and transportation artifacts; and

12 Whereas, more funding is necessary for rehabilitation of the major Spencer
13 Shops structures (Back Shop, Roundhouse, Barber Depot, Paint Shop, and Storehouse
14 #3) and subsequent development of railroad and transportation exhibits in these
15 buildings; and

16 Whereas, the need exists for private contributions to be raised to match State-
17 appropriated funds for continuing site improvements at Spencer Shops; Now, therefore,
18 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

19 Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
20 Cultural Resources for the 1989-90 fiscal year, the sum of \$1,000,000 to be held in
21 escrow by the State and matched with \$1,000,000 by the North Carolina Transportation
22 History Corporation within 12 months from the effective date of this act at which time
23 the funds shall be released to the North Carolina Transportation History Corporation for

1 the purpose of making continued site improvements at Spencer Shops State Historic
2 Site.

3 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
4 Cultural Resources for the 1990-91 fiscal year, the sum of \$1,000,000 to be held in
5 escrow by the State and matched with \$1,000,000 by the North Carolina Transportation
6 History Corporation by June 30, 1991, at which time the funds shall be released to the
7 North Carolina Transportation History Corporation for continued site improvements at
8 Spencer Shops State Historic Site, provided that the North Carolina Transportation
9 History Corporation has met the matching requirements and received the funds
10 appropriated by Section 1 of this act.

11 Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.