

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 298*

Short Title: Preservation of Governors' Homes.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Block, Basnight, Guy, and Hunt of Moore.

Referred to: Appropriations.

February 27, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MATCHING GRANTS PROGRAM WITHIN THE
DIVISION OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY TO ASSIST COUNTIES IN THE
PRESERVATION OF GOVERNORS' HOMES.**

Whereas, North Carolina citizens as well as visitors from outside our borders have an appreciation for the history of our State; and

Whereas, that history has been enriched significantly throughout the years by our Governors; and

Whereas, the public should be encouraged to develop knowledge of our Governors and of the times in which they lived; and

Whereas, the homes of our Governors may provide rich learning opportunities, revealing valuable information about the lives led by our Governors; and

Whereas, the homes of our Governors are important sites that should be preserved and protected; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Division of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the fiscal year 1989-90, and the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the fiscal year 1990-91, for the acquisition and rehabilitation by counties of homes of the Governors of North Carolina.

The Division of Archives and History shall have the discretion to distribute the funds in accordance with this act and grant criteria developed by the Division. A maximum of one grant per county may be awarded each year. Each grant shall be for

- 1 no more than ten percent (10%) of the funds allocated by this section each year. All
- 2 grants to counties shall be contingent on a local dollar-for-dollar match.
- 3 Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.