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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSION ON STATE PROPERTY TO DISPOSE OF SURPLUS STATE-OWNED REAL PROPERTY, TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO STATUTES RELATED TO THE DISPOSAL OF STATE-OWNED LAND, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 78 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, G.S. 143-735 through G.S. 143-737, is recodified as Article 19 of Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, G.S. 146-85 through G.S. 146-87.

SECTION 2. Article 19 of Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, as recodified in Section 1 of this act, reads as rewritten:

"Article 19.

"Commission on State Property.

"§ 146-85. Definitions.

As used in this Article, the following terms shall apply:

- (1) "Commission" means the Commission on State Property created under this Article.
- (2) "Department" means the Department of Administration.
- (3) "Surplus State-owned real property" means real property the title to which is vested in the State in fee simple that is unused or underused.

"§ 146-86. Commission established; purpose; membership.

- (a) There is created the Commission on State Property. The Commission shall be located administratively within the Department of Administration but shall carry out its statutory powers and duties independently of the Department of Administration.
- (a1) The purpose of the Commission is to identify and dispose of State-owned surplus State-owned real property that is (i) both surplus and suitable for sale on the private market or (ii) suitable for sale and leaseback and to make recommendations

concerning the disposition of the property.market. The Commission shall consult with real estate salespersons and salespersons, real estate brokers, real estate appraisers, and other knowledgeable persons in determining its recommendations.

- (b) The Commission shall consist of 16 members appointed as follows:
 - (1) Eight members shall be appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, including one of whom shall be designated as cochair.
 - (2) Eight members appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, including one member who shall be designated as cochair.

The members appointed to the Commission shall be chosen from among individuals who have the ability and commitment to promote and fulfill the purposes of the Commission, including individuals who have expertise in the fields of real estate, property development, and other related fields. The appointing authorities shall each consider appointing at least one real estate salesperson or broker and one real estate appraiser to the Commission.

No member of the Commission may be a member of the Senate or of the House of Representatives. No member or a person of the member's immediate family or business with which the member is associated shall be involved in or benefit from any sale of State owned property under this Article.

(c) The terms of four of the initial members appointed pursuant to subdivision (b)(1) of this section and four of the initial members appointed pursuant to subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall be for one year. The terms of the remainder of the initial members shall be for two years. Subsequent terms of all members shall be for two years.

Initial terms shall commence on August 15, 2004.

- (d) The Commission shall meet at least once a quarter and may meet at other times upon the call of the cochairs. A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The affirmative vote of a majority of the members present at meetings of the Commission shall be necessary for action to be taken by the Commission.
- (e) The Commission cochairs may establish subcommittees for the purpose of making special studies pursuant to its duties and may appoint non-Commission members to serve on each subcommittee as resource persons. Resource persons shall be voting members of the subcommittee and shall receive subsistence and travel expenses in accordance with G.S. 138-5 and G.S. 138-6.
- (f) The Notwithstanding G.S. 146-67, the Commission shall hire its professional and clerical staff.
- (g) The Commission shall adopt rules for the administration of this Article, including rules regarding the participation of real estate salespersons and real estate brokers. The provisions of G.S. 14-234 apply to members of the Commission. In addition, the members of the Commission are subject to Executive Order No. One issued by the Governor on January 12, 2001, as amended by subsequent executive orders. The following rules of conduct shall also apply to members of the Commission:

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(1) Conflicts of Interest.

- a. A member shall not knowingly use his or her position in any manner that will result in financial benefit, direct or indirect, to the member, the member's family, or an individual with whom, or business, organization, or group with which, the member is associated. This provision shall not apply to financial and other benefits: (i) derived by a member that the member would enjoy to an extent no greater than that which other citizens of the State would or could enjoy, (ii) rightfully gained by a member pursuant to the proper performance of the member's official duties or State employment, or (iii) that are so remote, tenuous, insignificant, or speculative that a reasonable person would conclude under the circumstances that the member's ability to protect the public interest and perform the member's official duties would not be compromised.
- b. A member shall not, directly or indirectly, knowingly ask, accept, demand, exact, solicit, seek, assign, receive, or agree to receive anything of value for the member, or for another person, in return for being influenced in the discharge of the member's official responsibilities, other than that which is received by the member from the State for acting in the member's official capacity.
- c. A member shall not solicit or receive personal financial gain, other than that received by the member from the State for acting in the member's official capacity, for advice or assistance given in the course of carrying out the member's duties.
- d. A member shall not use or disclose information gained in the course of, or by reason of, the member's official responsibilities in a way that would affect a personal financial interest of the member, a member of the member's family, or a person with whom, or business, organization, or group with which, the member is associated. A member shall not improperly use or disclose any information deemed confidential by State law and therefore not a public record.
- e. A member shall not cause the employment, appointment, promotion, transfer, or advancement of a family member to a State or local office or position that the member supervises or manages. A member shall not participate in an action relating to the disciplining of a member of the member's family.

(2) Appearances of Conflict.

a. A member shall make every effort to avoid even the appearance of a conflict of interest. An appearance of conflict exists when a reasonable person would conclude from the circumstances that the member's ability to protect the public interest, or perform

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- A member shall take reasonable and appropriate steps, under the particular circumstances and considering the type of proceeding involved, to remove himself or herself, to the extent necessary to protect the public interest and comply with this subsection, from any proceeding in which the member's impartiality might reasonably be questioned due to the member's familial, personal, or financial relationship with a participant in the proceeding. A "participant" includes (i) an owner, shareholder, partner, employee, agent, officer, or director of a business, organization, or group involved in the proceeding, or (ii) an organization or group which has petitioned for rule making or has some specific, unique, and substantial interest in the proceeding. "Proceeding" includes both quasi-judicial proceedings, including contested case hearings, and quasi-legislative proceedings, including most rule making. A "personal relationship" includes one in a leadership or policy-making position, including officers or directors in a business, organization, or group.
- If a member is uncertain whether the relationship in question <u>c.</u> justifies removing the member from the proceeding pursuant to this subsection, then the member shall disclose the relationship to the chair of the Commission and seek appropriate guidance. The chair, in consultation with legal counsel if necessary, shall then determine the extent to which, if any, the member will be permitted to participate. If the affected member is the chair, then the vice-chair or such other substitute presiding officer shall make the determination. A good-faith determination under this subsection of the allowable degree of participation by a member is presumptively valid.

"§ 146-87. Duties-Powers and duties of the Commission.

- The Commission on State Property shall:shall have the authority to: (a)
 - (1) Adopt rules for the administration of this Article, including rules regarding the participation of real estate salespersons and real estate brokers as well as issues related to dual agency and buyer's agents, a process for determining when State-owned real property is surplus, a process for submitting proposals to the Department of Administration as required in G.S. 146-88(a), and a mechanism for consulting with the State agencies regarding properties that have been identified as surplus and suitable for sale.
 - Enter into contracts for services that are necessary to implement its (2) responsibility for disposing of surplus State-owned real property. The

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- services may include appraisals, building inspections, environmental
 assessments, property surveying, and listing contracts.
 - (1)(3) Adopt guidelines to ensure the participation of real estate salespersons and real estate brokers in its work and to encourage real estate salespersons and real estate brokers to examine the State's real property inventory to ascertain which and to provide information to the Commission regarding which properties are either surplus may constitute surplus State-owned real property and arethat is suitable for sale or are suitable for sale and leaseback.sale.
 - (2)(4) Notify each North Carolina licensed real estate salesperson and real estate broker in the State that the Commission will consider recommendations from real estate salespersons and brokers on State on surplus State-owned real property that is suitable for sale or sale and leaseback.sale.
 - (3)(5) Consider recommendations from real estate salespersons and brokers and the general public. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, no real estate salesperson or broker may recommend more than five properties.
 - (4)(6) Develop and make recommendations to the Department of Administration, the Governor, and the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on State—surplus State-owned real property that is (i) both surplus and suitable for sale or (ii) suitable for sale and leaseback and report its recommendations to the Department of Administration, the Governor, and the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. sale.
 - (7) Employ legal counsel and clerical and technical assistance and fix the compensation therefor and incur other necessary expenses in the performance of its duties and as may be necessary to carry out the powers herein conferred.
 - (b) All State agencies shall provide any and all information requested by the Commission that is related to the actual or potential use of the real property by the agency in order that the Commission has accurate, complete, and timely information with which to develop the recommendations authorized under this section.

"§ 146-88. Recommendations to Department; disposition of property.

(a) Within three business days' receipt of a specific proposal for certain identified State-owned real property, the Commission shall notify the Department of Administration regarding the proposal. The Department of Administration shall determine whether, as of the date of the Commission's first meeting regarding that property, the Department had already been engaged in disposing of the same property. If the Department determines that it is already engaged in disposing of the same property that is the subject of the Commission's proposal, the Department shall inform the Commission within three days' receipt of the Commission's notification, and the Commission shall not pursue the transaction. If the Department is not already engaged in disposing of the same property that is the subject of the Commission's proposal, the

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Department shall consider the recommendations of the Commission on State Property
Commission's proposal and shall provide an advisory respond to them response to the
Commission within 6030 days of after receiving them the proposal. In its advisory
response, the Department shall either concur with the recommendations
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recommendation.

As used in this subsection, the phrase "already engaged in disposing of the same property" means that the Department of Administration has actively undertaken a review of the specific State property that is the subject of the Commission's proposal, has contacted or begun negotiations with the State agency to which the property is allocated, and has begun negotiations with sales agents or brokers.

- (b) If the Department concurs that the property shall be sold or sold and leased back, the process for proceeding with the sale or sale and leaseback shall be the same as for other sales of State property.
- If the Department does not concur, the After receipt and consideration of the Department's response under subsection (a) of this section, the Commission shall determine whether to proceed with the transaction. If the Commission determines that the transaction is in the best interest of the State, it shall undertake to dispose of the property, subject to the provisions of this Article. In determining the best interest of the State, the Commission shall consider at least the following factors: (i) current and future needs of state agencies; (ii) environmental factors, including conservation; (iii) preservation of any historic structures on the property; (iv) land uses adjoining the property; and (v) fair market value of the property. recommend the sale of the property or the sale and leaseback of the property to the Governor and the Council of State. If the Governor and the Council of State approve the sale, the Department of Administration shall complete the transaction. If an agreement of sale is reached, the proposed transaction shall then be submitted to the Governor and Council of State for their approval or disapproval. Every conveyance in fee of land made under this Article shall be made and executed according to the requirements of G.S. 146-74 through G.S. 146-78. If the proposed disposition is a sale of surplus State-owned real property with an appraised value of at least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the sale shall not be made until after the Commission consults with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.
- (d) In the instance of a proposed If the Commission undertakes to sale or salesell and leaseback that is undertaken pursuant to this section, the Department the property, the Commission shall enter into an exclusive a contract with the real estate salesperson or broker who recommended the sale or leaseback of the property sale of the property. The contract shall specify that the real estate broker has been retained to obtain an offer that is acceptable to the Department Commission to sell or sell and leaseback the property. In the event the property was recommended by more than one real estate salesperson or broker, the Commission shall allocate the marketing responsibilities of the salespersons or brokers recommending the property and determine the allocation of the brokerage fees.

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- A contract with any real estate salesperson or broker under this Article shall 1 2 not exceed six months in duration and shall include the conditions for receipt of 3 brokerage fees set forth in G.S. 143-737.as provided in G.S. 146-89. After the 4 expiration of the exclusive contract, the Commission shall sell the property shall be 5 sold or sold and leased back in the same manner as other real property of the State.under Article 7 of this Chapter.
 - Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, no real estate salesperson or real estate broker may recommend more than five properties.

"§ 146-89. Brokerage fees.

Notwithstanding any other provision of Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, this Chapter, a real estate salesperson or broker responsible for making a recommendation for the sale or leaseback of State property that has been adopted by the Commission and recommended to the Department pursuant to G.S. 143-736 approved by the Council of State shall be entitled to brokerage fees only if all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) The real estate salesperson or broker is licensed by the North Carolina Real Estate Commission.
- The transaction closes.closes pursuant to a written contract negotiated (2) by the real estate broker.
- The brokerage fees do not exceed those customary in the industry and (3) are consistent with rules adopted by the Commission.

"§ 146-90. Distribution of proceeds.

- The net proceeds from any disposition of real property made by the Commission under this Article, or by the Department as the result of a recommendation by the Commission under this Article, shall be made as follows:
 - According to the provisions of any trust or other instrument of title (1) whereby title to such real property was heretofore acquired or is hereafter acquired.
 - As provided by any other act of the General Assembly. (2)
 - As provided in G.S. 146-30(d). (3)
 - The net proceeds shall be deposited with the State Treasurer. (4)
- For the purposes of this Article, the term "net proceeds" means the gross (b) amount received from the sale of State-owned real property, less the following amounts:
 - Five percent (5%) to be transferred to the Surplus State-Owned Real (1) Property Special Fund. If the Fund has a current fund balance of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), this subdivision shall not apply. A smaller percentage of the net proceeds shall be transferred if the transfer of the full amount authorized under this subdivision would result in the Fund exceeding the authorized maximum fund balance.
 - Any brokerage fee as provided in G.S. 146-89. (2)
 - Ten percent (10%) to be retained by the State agency as provided in (3) subsection (c) of this section, unless G.S. 146-30(d) applies. If G.S. 146-30(d) applies to the State agency, this subdivision shall not apply.

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- (c) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no amounts shall be deducted under subdivision (b)(1) of this section from the gross proceeds of any sale of State-owned lands that are designated as part of any of the following:
 - (1) The Centennial Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4).
 - (2) The Horace Williams Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4a).
 - (3) A Millennial Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4b).

All net proceeds of those dispositions are governed by G.S. 116-36.5.

- (d) Unless otherwise provided for in G.S. 146-30(d), an agency or department that managed or controlled surplus State-owned real property that is sold under this Article shall receive the proceeds from subdivision (b)(3) of this section. Upon an appropriation by the General Assembly, the proceeds may be used only for:
 - (1) Improvements to other facilities controlled or operated by the agency or department, including improvements made necessary because of space displaced as a result of the sale.
 - (2) Facility repairs and renovations.
 - (3) Information technology and equipment for that department or agency.

"§ 146-91. Creation of Surplus State-Owned Real Property Special Fund.

There is created the Surplus State-Owned Real Property Special Fund located in the Office of the State Treasurer. The Fund balance shall not revert, but at no time shall the Fund balance exceed three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). The Commission shall use moneys in the Fund for its operations, including expenses incurred as a result of the sale of surplus State-owned real property under this Article.

"§ 146-92. Reporting.

The Commission shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on its activities, including an accounting of all property sales, uses of the funds deposited into the Surplus State-Owned Real Property Special Fund, and the status of the Fund."

SECTION 3. G.S. 146-27 reads as rewritten:

"§ 146-27. The role of the Department of Administration and Commission on State Property in sales, leases, and rentals.

- (a) General. Every Except as provided in Article 19 of this Chapter, every sale, lease, rental, or gift of land owned by the State or by any State agency shall be made by the Department of Administration and approved by the Governor and Council of State. A lease or rental of land owned by the State may not exceed a period of 99 years. The Department of Administration may initiate proceedings for sales, leases, rentals, and gifts of land owned by the State or by any State agency.
- (b) Large Disposition. If a proposed disposition is a sale or gift of land with an appraised value of at least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), the sale or gift shall not be made until after consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Operations, regardless of whether the transaction will be undertaken by the Department of Administration or the Commission on State Property."

SECTION 4. G.S. 146-28 reads as rewritten:

"§ 146-28. Agency must file application with Department; <u>Department or</u> Commission; Department or Commission must investigate.

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- expand the authority of the Commission provided in Article 19 of this Chapter.

 (b) Upon receipt of such the application, the Department of Administration the Department and the Commission shall proceed as follows:

 (1) If the application is initially received by the Commission the
 - (1) If the application is initially received by the Commission, the Commission shall promptly notify the Department in writing. Upon receipt of the notification, the Department shall review its current files to determine whether it has already undertaken to investigate whether the property that is the subject of the application is surplus State-owned real property. If the Department determines that it has already undertaken to determine whether the property that is the subject of the application is surplus State-owned real property, the Department shall promptly inform the Commission. Upon receipt of the notification from the Department, the Commission shall direct the agency that submitted the application to forward the application to the Department.

Any State agency desiring to sell, lease, or rent any land owned by the State

or by any State agency shall file with the Department of Administration or the

Commission on State Property an application setting forth the facts relating to the

proposed transaction, and shall furnish the Department or the Commission with such

any additional information as the Department or the Commission may request relating

thereto.request regarding the application. Nothing in this section shall be construed to

- (2) If the application is initially received by the Department, the Department shall promptly notify the Commission in writing. Upon receipt of the notification, the Commission shall review its current files to determine whether it has already undertaken to investigate whether the property that is the subject of the application is surplus State-owned real property. If the Commission determines that it has already undertaken to determine whether the property that is the subject of the application is surplus State-owned real property, the Commission shall promptly inform the Department. Upon receipt of the notification from the Commission, the Department shall direct the agency that submitted the application to forward the application to the Commission.
- (c) <u>Subject to the requirements of subsection</u> (b) of this section, the entity that receives the application shall promptly investigate all aspects of the proposed transaction, including particularly present and future State need for the land proposed to be conveyed, leased, or rented."

SECTION 5. G.S. 146-29 reads as rewritten:

"§ 146-29. Procedure for sale, lease, or rental.

(a) If, after investigation, the Department of Administration determines that it is in the best interest of the State that land be sold, leased, or rented, the Department shall proceed with its sale, lease, or rental, as the case may be, in accordance with rules adopted by the Governor and approved by the Council of State. The Department shall

adopt rules for notifying the Commission on State Property when the Department is investigating the sale of State land.

- (b) If the Commission determines that the State-owned real property is surplus and suitable for sale, the Commission shall proceed as provided in Article 19 of this Chapter.
- (c) If an agreement of sale, lease, or rental is reached, the proposed transaction shall then be submitted to the Governor and Council of State for their approval or disapproval. Every conveyance in fee of land owned by the State or by any State agency shall be made and executed in the manner prescribed in G.S. 146-74 through 146-78."

SECTION 6. G.S. 146-30 reads as rewritten:

"§ 146-30. Application of net proceeds.

- (a) The net proceeds of any disposition made in accordance with under this Subchapter shall be handled in accordance with according to the following priority:
 - (1) First, inIn accordance with the provisions of any trust or other instrument of title whereby title to such real property was heretofore acquired or is hereafter acquired; second, acquired.
 - (2) as As provided by any other act of the General Assembly; third, Assembly.
 - (3) the The net proceeds shall be deposited with the State Treasurer.
- (a1) Provided, however, nothing herein Subsection (a) of this section shall not be construed as prohibiting to prohibit the disposition of any State lands by exchange for other lands, but if lands. If the appraised value in fee simple of any property involved in the exchange is at least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), then such the exchange may not be made without consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.
- (b) For the purposes of this Subchapter, the term "net proceeds" means the gross amount received from the sale, lease, rental, or other disposition of any State lands, less
 - (1) Such expenses incurred incident to that sale, lease, rental, or other disposition as may be allowed under rules and regulations adopted by the Governor and approved by the Council of State; and
 - (2) Repealed by Session Laws 1993, c. 553, s. 52.2.
 - (3) A service charge to be paid into the State Land Fund.
- (b1) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, no service charge into the State Land Fund shall be deducted from or levied against the proceeds of any disposition by lease, rental, or easement of State lands that are designated as part of any of the following:
 - (1) the <u>The</u> Centennial Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4), G.S. 116-198.33(4).
 - (2) that are designated as part of the The Horace Williams Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4a), G.S. 116-198.33(4a).
 - (3) or that are designated as part of a A Millennial Campus as defined by G.S. 116-198.33(4b).

All net proceeds of those dispositions are governed by G.S. 116-36.5.

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- (c) The amount or rate of such-service charge under subdivision (b)(3) of this section shall be fixed by rules and regulations adopted by the Governor and approved by the Council of State, but as to any particular sale, lease, rental, or other disposition, it shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the gross amount received from such sale, lease, rental, or other disposition.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Subchapter, the net proceeds derived from any of the following transactions shall be distributed as follows:
 - (1) the The sale of land or products of land owned by or under the supervision and control of the Wildlife Resources Commission, or acquired or purchased with funds of that Commission, shall be paid into the Wildlife Resources Fund.
 - (2) Provided, however, the net proceeds derived from the The sale of land or timber from land owned by or under the supervision and control of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall be deposited with the State Treasurer in a capital improvement account to the credit of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, to be used for such specific capital improvement projects or other purposes as are provided by transfer of funds from those accounts in the Capital Improvement Appropriations Act.
 - Provided further, the net proceeds derived from the The sale of park (3) land owned by or under the supervision and control of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall be deposited with the State Treasurer in a capital improvement account to the credit of the Department of Administration to be used for the purpose of park land acquisition as provided by transfer of funds from those accounts in the Capital Improvement Appropriations Act. In the Capital Improvement Appropriations Act, line items for purchase of park and agricultural lands will be established for use by the Departments of Administration and Agriculture. The use of such funds for any specific capital improvement project or land acquisition is subject to approval by the Director of the Budget. No other use may be made of funds in these line items without approval by the General Assembly except for incidental expenses related to the project or land acquisition. Additionally with the approval of the Director of the Budget, either Department may request funds from the Contingency and Emergency Fund when the necessity of prompt purchase of available land can be demonstrated and funds in the capital improvement accounts are insufficient.
 - (4) Provided further, the net proceeds derived from the The sale of any portion of the land in or around the unincorporated area known as Butner on or after July 1, 1980, shall be deposited with the State Treasurer in a capital improvement account to the credit of the Hospital to provide water and sewers and to bring those streets in the unincorporated area known as Butner not on the State highway system

up to standards adequate for acceptance on the system, according to a plan adopted by the Department of Administration, and the Office of State Budget and Management, with the approval of the Board of County Commissioners of Granville County, to build industrial access roads to industries on the Butner lands, to construct new city streets on the Butner lands, extend water and sewer service on the Butner lands, and repair storm drains on the Butner lands.

(5) The sale by the Department of Administration or by the Commission on State Property of any psychiatric hospital, intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded, or other facility providing mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services, and owned by or under the supervision of the Department of Health and Human Services, shall be paid into the Trust Fund for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services and Bridge Funding Needs. These proceeds shall be used only to provide additional funding for nonrecurring or capital expenditures for community-based projects."

SECTION 7. G.S. 143-341(4) reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-341. Powers and duties of Department.

The Department of Administration has the following powers and duties:

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e. To Except as provided in Article 19 of Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, to make all sales of real property (including marshlands or swamplands) owned by the State or by any State agency, with the approval of the Governor and Council of State in each instance. All conveyances in fee by the State shall be executed in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 146-74 through 146-78. Any conveyance of land made or contract to convey land entered into without the approval of the Governor and Council of State is voidable in the discretion of the Governor and Council of State. The proceeds of all sales of swamplands or marshlands shall be dealt with in the manner required by the Constitution and statutes.

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m. To contract for or approve all contracts for all appraisals and surveys of real property for all State agencies; provided, however, this provision agencies. This sub-subdivision shall not apply to appraisals and surveys obtained by the Commission on State Property under Article 19 of Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, or obtained in connection with the acquisition of highway rights-of-way, borrow pits, or other interests or estates

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in land acquired for the same or similar purposes, or to the disposition thereof, by the Board of Transportation.

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SECTION 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 146-30, up to three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) of the net proceeds of dispositions of property by the Department of Administration that would otherwise be deposited with the State Treasurer and credited to the General Fund shall be deposited into the Surplus State-Owned Real Property Special Fund. The amount transferred shall be the amount necessary to bring the Fund up to the maximum allowable fund balance as provided in G.S. 146-91, less any amounts that did not revert and were transferred into the Fund as provided in this subsection.

SECTION 9. Section 6.8(a) of S.L. 2003-284 is repealed.

SECTION 10. There is appropriated from the Surplus State-Owned Real Property Special Fund to the Commission on State Property in the Department of Administration the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

SECTION 11. Section 10 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2007. The remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law. Nothing in this act shall be construed to modify the terms of office of the members serving on the Commission on State Property at the time this section becomes law. The Commission shall have 210 days from the enactment of this section to adopt temporary rules to implement this act.