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HOUSE BILL 812

Short Title: Grant Recipients Posted on Grantor Web Site. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Riddell, Saine, Bradford, and Bishop (Primary Sponsors).  
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Referred to: Regulatory Reform.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT INFORMATION ON GRANT FUNDS AWARDED BY  
3 STATE AGENCIES IS READILY AVAILABLE ON STATE AGENCY WEB SITES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143C-2-5 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 143C-2-5. Grants and contracts database.**

7 (a) The Director of the Budget shall require the Office of State Budget and  
8 Management, with the support of the Office of Information Technology Services, to build and  
9 maintain a database and Web site for providing a single, searchable Web site on State spending  
10 for grants and contracts to be known as NC OpenBook.

11 (b) ~~Each head of a principal department listed in G.S. 143B-6~~ The head of each State  
12 institution, department, bureau, agency, or commission shall conduct a review monthly of all  
13 State contracts and grants administered by that ~~principal department agency.~~

14 (c) All State institutions, departments, bureaus, agencies, or commissions ~~subject to the~~  
15 ~~authority of the Director of the Budget~~ that maintain a Web site shall be required to include an  
16 access link to the NC OpenBook Web site on the home page of the agency Web site. Each  
17 agency shall also prominently display a search engine on the agency Web site home page to  
18 allow for ease of searching for information, including contracts and grants, on the agency's  
19 Web site."

20 **SECTION 2.** The State Chief Information Officer, through the Digital Commons  
21 Project, shall ensure that the data on grants or awards of public funds to non-State entities that  
22 is available on the NC OpenBook Web site is displayed in a consistent and easily accessible  
23 manner on the Web sites of all State institutions, departments, bureaus, agencies, and  
24 commissions.

25 The State Chief Information Officer shall fully implement this act by December 31,  
26 2015.

27 The State Chief Information Officer shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight  
28 Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division prior to August 1,  
29 2015, on a time line for implementing this act.

30 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

