NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1963 SESSION

CHAPTER 853
HOUSE BILL 266

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR RESEARCH STUDIES ON FLUE-CURED TOBACCO IN THE SANDHILL AREA COMPRISED OF THE COUNTIES OF ANSON, HOKE, RICHMOND, SCOTLAND, LEE, MOORE AND MONTGOMERY.

WHEREAS, there are certain problems in the production of flue-cured tobacco which appear to be specific and confined to the seven counties of the Sandhill area comprised of the Counties of Anson, Hoke, Richmond, Scotland, Lee, Moore and Montgomery, and it is now known that there is a need for specialized research to supplement the more general studies that have been so helpful to the farmers of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the information summarized from soil tests suggests that in general the soils of the Sandhill region differ from other soils in that they are lower in organic matter and potassium, and the extreme sandy nature of the Sandhill soils suggests that one of the major fertilization problems may be the result of the leaching of nitrogen and potassium, and still another problem may be associated with micro-nutrient deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, research studies on the deep sand soils of the Sandhill area with respect to fertilization, irrigation, crop rotation, spacing, height of topping, deep plowing and sub-soiling, varieties, nematode control and disease control are needed to provide answers to the problems confronting flue-cured tobacco growers in the Sandhill area: Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund to the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service of North Carolina State College and to the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station of North Carolina State College twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964, and twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000.00) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1965, for the purposes set forth in the preamble to this Act and according to the schedule set forth below for each fiscal year, as follows:

A. Research-Extension Program on Flue-Cured Tobacco in the Sandhill Region.		
1. Personnel		
a. Professional (one)	$ 9,000.00	
b. Sub-professional (one)	4,500.00	
Total Salaries		$13,500.00
2. Maintenance and Operation		11,500.00
GRAND TOTAL		$25,000.00

Sec. 2. The amount of nine thousand dollars ($9,000.00) for professional personnel in the above schedule shall be assigned and made available to the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service of North Carolina State College, and the amount of four thousand five hundred dollars ($4,500.00) for sub-professional personnel, and the amount of eleven thousand five hundred dollars ($11,500.00) shall be assigned and made available to the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station of North Carolina State College for administration and

expenditure. The two above-named divisions of North Carolina State College shall cooperate together in the administration and expenditure of the above funds appropriated for each fiscal year as herein set forth, and the professional and sub-professional personnel shall be assigned to the Sandhill region which is hereby defined to be the Counties of Anson, Hoke, Richmond, Scotland, Lee, Moore and Montgomery. As a part of this research program a mobile research unit shall be provided to conduct field investigations on the farms in the problem areas of the seven counties which are herein designated as the Sandhill area or region.

Sec. 3. All expenditures made from the funds appropriated by this Act and for the purposes herein designated shall be accounted for and reported according to the fiscal and financial system of the agencies to whom the appropriations are made as herein set forth.

Sec. 4. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 12th day of June, 1963.