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HOUSE BILL 1471

Short Title: Bioterrorism Defense Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Easterling, Oldham, Redwine, Thompson; Goodwin and M. Crawford.

Referred to: Appropriations.

October 30, 2001

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND TO
3 AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNOR TO BORROW FUNDS FROM THE SAVINGS
4 RESERVE ACCOUNT TO IMPLEMENT BIOTERRORISM DEFENSE
5 MEASURES AND TO ADDRESS OTHER BIOTERRORISM ISSUES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
8 Department of Crime Control and Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management,
9 the sum of one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) for the 2001-2002
10 fiscal year to implement bioterrorism defense measures and to address other bioterrorism
11 issues. These measures may include the following:

- 12 (1) Purchasing materials and equipment.
- 13 (2) Training personnel.
- 14 (3) Developing Operations Plans including use of alternate facilities
15 within State government to protect critical State functions.
- 16 (4) Equipping search and rescue teams.

17 **SECTION 2.** The Governor may borrow funds from the Savings Reserve
18 Account for the 2001-2002 fiscal year to implement bioterrorism defense measures and
19 to address other bioterrorism issues.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety and the
21 Governor shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
22 on the use of funds authorized by this act no later than 30 days after using those funds.

23 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.