

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

**HOUSE BILL 1471
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND AND TO
AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNOR TO ACCESS FUNDS FROM THE SAVINGS
RESERVE ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS TERRORISM ISSUES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

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

The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the use of funds authorized by this section no later than 30 days after using those funds.

SECTION 2. In compliance with G.S. 143-15.3, the General Assembly approves the use of and the Governor may access up to thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) from the Savings Reserve Account for the 2001-2002 fiscal year to be used to implement defense measures against all forms of terrorism, including, but not limited to, biological, nuclear, chemical, incendiary, and explosive terrorism and to address other terrorism issues. The Governor shall take steps to repay any monies diverted under this section if funds become available to offset the State's expenditures for its terrorism response efforts. The Governor shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the status and use of funds authorized by this section no later than 30 days after accessing those funds.

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 6th day of November, 2001.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved _____ .m. this _____ day of _____, 2001