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HOUSE BILL 424*

Short Title: DCR Admission Fees-AB.

Sponsors: Representatives Adams; and Jeffus. Referred to: Cultural Resources, if favorable Finance.

March 1, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES TO CHARGE AN ADMISSION FEE TO ANY MUSEUM. HISTORIC PROPERTY. OR OTHER LOCATION OR EVENT ADMINISTERED BY DEPARTMENT. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. Article 2 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 "§ 143B-53.1. Admission fees.

In addition to powers granted pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 121 of the General 10 Statutes or any other general law, the Department of Cultural Resources may charge an 11 admission fee to any museum, historic property, or other location or event administered 12 by the Department. Admission fees collected under this section are receipts of the 13 Department and shall be deposited in a nonreverting account. The Department shall 14 retain unbudgeted receipts at the end of each fiscal year, beginning June 30, 2001, and 15 shall deposit these receipts into the account. Funds in the account shall be used for 16 maintenance, repairs, renovations, and any other purpose deemed necessary by the 17 18 Secretary of Cultural Resources. The Secretary may adopt rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this section. The Department shall provide an annual report on the use 19 of fees collected pursuant to this section to the Office of State Budget, Planning, and 20 Management and to the Fiscal Research Division of the Legislative Services Office." 21 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective June 30, 2001. 22

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