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Short Title: NC LEAF Funds. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Destin Hall, Rogers, Duane Hall, and John (Primary Sponsors). For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site. Referred to: **Appropriations** February 20, 2017 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO PROVIDE NC LEAF THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO CONTINUE PROVIDING LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC INTEREST ATTORNEYS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA COURTS COMMISSION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in recurring funds for the 2017-2018 fiscal year to be allocated to the North Carolina Legal Education Assistance Fund (NC LEAF) to restore the reductions made to NC LEAF in fiscal years 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012. These funds shall be used to assist public interest attorneys with student loan repayment.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2017.

