GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2017



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SENATE BILL DRS45089-ML-81B (02/09)

Short Title:	Remove Limits on Light Rail Funding.		
Sponsors:	Senator Ford (Primary Sponsor).		
Referred to:			

1		A BILL TO BE ENTITLED					
2	AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN LIMITATIONS ON FUNDING FROM THE HIGHWAY						
3	TRUST FUND FOR LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM PROJECTS.						
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:						
5	SECTION 1. Section 35.12(b) of S.L. 2016-94 is repealed.						
6	SECTION 2. G.S. 136-189.10 reads as rewritten:						
7	"§ 136-189.10. I						
8	The following definitions apply in this Article:						
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10	(2)	Division needs projects. – Includes only the following:					
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12		e.	Public transportation service not included in subdivision (3) or (4) of				
13			this section. This sub-subdivision includes commuter rail, intercity rail,				
14			and light rail. Nothing in this sub-subdivision shall be construed as				
15			authorizing total State funding in excess of the maximum established in				
16			sub-subdivision g. of subdivision (3) of this section for commuter rail				
17			and light rail projects.				
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19	(3)	Region	nal impact projects. – Includes only the following:				
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21		g.	Public transportation service that spans two or more counties and that				
22			serves more than one municipality. Programmed funds pursuant to this				
23			sub-subdivision shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of any distribution				
24			region allocation. This sub-subdivision includes commuter rail, intercity				
25			rail, and light rail. Total State funding for a commuter rail or light rail				
26			project shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the estimated total project				
27			costs used during the prioritization scoring process. The State shall not				
28			be responsible or liable for any project costs in excess of the maximum				
29			established under this sub-subdivision. Any agreement entered into by				
30			the State to fund a commuter rail or light rail project shall include				
31			language setting out the limitations set forth in this sub-subdivision.				
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33	SECT	FION 3.	This act is effective when it becomes law.				

