# GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

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### HOUSE BILL 1817\*

Short Title: Fort Dobbs Reconstruction Funds.

Sponsors:Representatives Howard, Ray (Primary Sponsors); and Dollar.Referred to:Appropriations.

## May 9, 2006

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO REBUILD THE FORT AT THE FORT
3	DOBBS STATE HISTORIC SITE.
4	Whereas, the year 2006 marks the 250 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the construction of
5	Fort Dobbs; and
6	Whereas, Fort Dobbs was built in 1756 and served as a refuge for colonists
7	and an outpost for the military during the French and Indian War; and
8	Whereas, as the War came to an end and settlers moved westward, the fort
9	was dismantled; and
10	Whereas, in 1976, the area where the fort had been located became a State
11	Historic Site; and
12	Whereas, plans have been made to rebuild the fort to enhance the historic site;
13	and
14	Whereas, studies indicate that the reconstructed fort and the historic site will
15	attract 100,000 visitors a year and will have an economic impact on Iredell County of
16	\$25,000,000; and
17	Whereas, the 300-member Fort Dobbs Alliance has received tremendous
18	support to rebuild the fort from the private and public sector as well as local and State
19	leaders; and
20	Whereas, Fort Dobbs is an excellent resource for heritage tourism providing
21	visitors with the opportunity to learn about the frontier life of Europeans, Native
22	Americans, and African-Americans; and
23	Whereas, Fort Dobbs is an important Iredell County landmark and holds the
24	distinction of being the only French and Indian War site in North Carolina; Now,
25	therefore,
26	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
27	<b>SECTION 1.</b> There is appropriated from the General Fund to Fort Dobbs
28	Alliance, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars

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- (\$100,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year for architecture and design costs in
  reconstructing the fort at the Fort Dobbs State Historic Site.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.