

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH50233-MC-139 (3/6)

Short Title: Community Development Corporation Funding. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Pierce and Bryant (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RURAL ECONOMIC
3 DEVELOPMENT CENTER TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
4 CORPORATIONS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** For the purposes of this act, the term "community development
7 corporation" means a nonprofit corporation that satisfies each of the following:

- 8 (1) Chartered pursuant to Chapter 55A of the General Statutes.
9 (2) Tax-exempt pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of
10 1986.
11 (3) Whose primary mission is to develop and improve low-income communities
12 and neighborhoods through economic and related development.
13 (4) Whose activities and decisions are initiated, managed, and controlled by the
14 constituents of those local communities.
15 (5) Whose primary function is to act as deal maker and packager of projects and
16 activities that will increase their constituencies' opportunities to become
17 owners, managers, and producers of small businesses, affordable housing,
18 and jobs designed to produce positive cash flow and curb blight in the
19 targeted community.

20 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Rural Economic
21 Development Center, Inc., the sum of one million three hundred forty-seven thousand four
22 hundred ten dollars (\$1,347,410) in fiscal year 2009-2010 and the sum of one million three
23 hundred forty-seven thousand four hundred ten dollars (\$1,347,410) in fiscal year 2010-2011
24 for community development grants to support development projects and activities within the
25 State's minority communities. Any new or previously funded community development
26 corporation as defined in this section is eligible to apply for funds. The Rural Center shall
27 establish performance-based criteria for determining which community development
28 corporation will receive a grant and the grant amount. Of the funds appropriated in this act, the
29 Rural Center shall allocate one million two hundred forty-seven thousand four hundred ten
30 dollars (\$1,247,410) in each fiscal year for direct grants to local community development
31 corporations to support operations and project activities and shall allocate one hundred
32 thousand dollars (\$100,000) in each fiscal year to be used to cover expenses and provide
33 technical assistance in administering this section.

34 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

