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HOUSE BILL DRH10830-MKa-255

Short Title: Funds for NCCU Programs. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hawkins and Alston (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS FOR NORTH
3 CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.(a)** Transfer of Funds from Reserves to Relief Fund. – The State
6 Controller shall transfer one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) for the
7 2019-2020 fiscal year from the Coronavirus Relief Reserve established in Section 2.1 of S.L.
8 2020-4 to the Coronavirus Relief Fund established in Section 2.2 of S.L. 2020-4.

9 **SECTION 1.(b)** Appropriation of Funds from Relief Fund. – There is appropriated
10 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management the sum of one
11 million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2019-2020
12 fiscal year to be allocated to North Carolina Central University (NCCU) to respond to the impacts
13 of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) on its students. Of the funds allocated to NCCU
14 pursuant to this section, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) shall be used to expand
15 online learning capacity for students and the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)
16 shall be used to address food insecurity and basic needs for students who have been impacted by
17 COVID-19.

18 **SECTION 1.(c)** Reporting. – By September 30, 2020, NCCU shall report on the
19 progress of the use of the appropriated funds received pursuant to this section to the Joint
20 Legislative Education Oversight Committee.

21 **SECTION 1.(d)** Limitations. – Of the funds appropriated from the Coronavirus
22 Relief Fund by this section, funds shall only be used for necessary eligible expenditures incurred
23 during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020. The funds
24 appropriated by this section shall not revert at the end of the 2019-2020 fiscal year but shall
25 remain available to expend until December 30, 2020.

26 **SECTION 2.** State Funds for BRITE and BBRI. – There is appropriated from the
27 General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of six
28 million dollars (\$6,000,000) in recurring funds for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to be allocated to
29 North Carolina Central University. The funds shall be used as follows:

- 30 (1) The sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) shall be used to support
31 operations of the Biomanufacturing Research Institute and Technology
32 Enterprise (BRITE) at NCCU.
33 (2) The sum of three million dollars (\$3,000,000) shall be used for expenses for
34 the operation and repair of the Julius L. Chambers Biomedical Biotechnology
35 Research Institute (BBRI) at NCCU.



1 **SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this act becomes effective July 1, 2020. The remainder of
2 this act becomes effective when this act becomes law.