

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 885

Short Title: Funding for the Clerks of Superior Court. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Smith (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

April 29, 2026

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE SUPPORT OF EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS BY THE CLERKS OF SUPERIOR COURT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2025-2026 fiscal year from the General Fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts to be used to support the work of the clerks of superior court in assisting executors and administrators with the process of handling estates and estates-related documents and filings. The funds appropriated in this section may be used for, but not limited to, the hiring of additional staff to address lengthy wait times for appointments and the distribution of the "Decedent Estate Procedures" document currently published by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2025.

