

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1975 SESSION

CHAPTER 971  
HOUSE BILL 1192

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL LAND AT  
HOUSE IN THE HORSESHOE STATE HISTORIC SITE.

Whereas, the House in the Horseshoe was the scene of a two-hour battle on August 5, 1781, between Whigs and Tories in the American Revolution; and

Whereas, the House and 3,000-acre plantation later became the residence of Benjamin Williams, four times Governor of North Carolina, and one of the State's first large cotton plantations; and

Whereas, the Moore County Historical Association purchased the house and 4.2 acres of land in 1954 and sold the property to the State of North Carolina the following year under an agreement whereby the association would restore, maintain, and operate the site as a house museum; and

Whereas, the House in the Horseshoe on April 1, 1972, became a part of the system of State Historic Sites administered by the Department of Cultural Resources; and

Whereas, the department has need to acquire additional land to provide space for an outdoor drama to be presented by the Moore County Historical Association, room for parking at the drama, a buffer zone against modern encroachment into the site, and land for further interpretive development; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** There is hereby appropriated to the State Department of Cultural Resources, Division of Archives and History, from the General Fund the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the 1975-1976 fiscal year for the purchase of additional land at the House in the Horseshoe State Historic Site.

**Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall become effective upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 26th day of June, 1975.