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HOUSE BILL 1102

Short Title: Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives DeVane; and Bowman.

Referred to: Environment.

April 19, 1993

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE THE PESTICIDE ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST FUND, TO BE FUNDED BY AN ASSESSMENT FOR EACH BRAND OR GRADE OF PESTICIDE REGISTERED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 52 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 143-441A. The Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund.**

(a) The Pesticide Environmental Trust Fund is created. Moneys appropriated to, paid to, or earned by this Fund shall be deposited with the State Treasurer. Assessments paid pursuant to G.S. 143-442(b1) shall be credited to this Fund. Each year, the State Treasurer may, as directed by the Board, distribute the moneys in this Fund as follows:

- (1) Two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Fund to North Carolina State University to enhance its agromedicine efforts in cooperation with the East Carolina University School of Medicine;
- (2) Two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the Fund to East Carolina University School of Medicine to enhance its agromedicine efforts in cooperation with North Carolina State University;
- (3) Twenty percent (20%) to North Carolina State University, Department of Toxicology, to establish and maintain an agromedicine specialist position;
- (4) Seventy-five percent (75%) to the Department of Agriculture for its environmental programs, including establishing a pesticide container management program to enhance and monitor its pesticide disposal

1                    program and NCDA water quality initiatives, and for funding other  
2                    environmental programs as determined by the Commissioner of  
3                    Agriculture."

4                    Sec. 2. G.S. 143-422 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5                    "(b1) In addition to the registration fee pursuant to subsection (b) of this section,  
6                    the applicant shall pay an annual assessment of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each brand or  
7                    grade of pesticide registered. The assessments shall be deposited in the Pesticide  
8                    Environmental Trust Fund under G.S. 143-441A."

9                    Sec. 3. This act becomes effective January 1, 1994, and applies to all  
10                    applicants for registration under G.S. 143-442 who register pesticides on or after that  
11                    date.