GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1997

Short Title: Institute of Government Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Conder, Kerr, Odom, Martin of Pitt, Shaw of Guilford, Forrester, Rucho, Carpenter, East, Ledbetter, Garwood; Dannelly, Hartsell, Hoyle, Warren, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 3, 1997

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT.

Whereas, the Institute of Government since 1931 has made important contributions to North Carolina's good government and its excellent financial management by serving the entire State from its base in Chapel Hill; and

Whereas, the Institute's building has been inadequate and outmoded for many years, which threatens its ability to maintain the highest quality of services for North Carolina's public officials; and

Whereas, the 1994 General Assembly recognized the need for a renovated and expanded building by appropriating \$700,000 to plan necessary improvements and additions to the Institute of Government; and

Whereas, the Institute has planned the necessary capital improvements that will enable it to provide North Carolina public officials with the latest and most efficient instructional technologies and a higher quality of service; and

Whereas, the necessary improvements will include a teleconferencing classroom, a computer training room, increased classroom and office space, an expanded and

accessible library, increased parking, improved dining facilities, and access for persons with disabilities; and

Whereas, the planned capital project has been approved by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Board of Trustees, is rated as one of the University's highest capital priorities, and is also a legislative priority for the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of sixteen million one hundred thousand dollars (\$16,100,000) for the 1997-98 fiscal year for capital improvements at the Institute of Government.

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.