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HOUSE BILL 2550

Short Title: Farm Disaster Relief Fund. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hill; Faison, Pate, Pierce, and Wainwright.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 25, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A FARM DISASTER RELIEF FUND.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year to be used to establish the Farm Disaster Relief Fund. Any balance remaining in the Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward in the Fund for the following fiscal year.

SECTION 2. The Farm Disaster Relief Fund established under Section 1 of this act shall be used to provide relief to family farms that have suffered losses due to natural disasters but that are not eligible for federal or State disaster relief programs.

SECTION 3. The Board of Agriculture shall adopt rules for the distribution of funds in the Farm Disaster Relief Fund established under Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2006.