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HOUSE BILL DRH40608-MSa-44 (04/27)

Short Title: NC Crime Laboratory Funding. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives B. Turner, Gill, and Terry (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ANALYZE PENDING TOXICOLOGY CASES, TO REPLACE GAS CHROMATOGRAPHS, AND TO FUND START-UP DNA EQUIPMENT AND FACILITY OPERATING COSTS FOR THE WESTERN REGIONAL CRIME LABORATORY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) in recurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year to be allocated to address vendor cost increases and a reduction in federal grant funding that historically has funded supplies and related lab operating costs.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of two million one hundred ninety-seven thousand one hundred fourteen dollars (\$2,197,114) in nonrecurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year to analyze pending toxicology cases and related private laboratory expert testimony costs.

SECTION 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of six hundred forty thousand dollars (\$640,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year to be allocated to replace gas chromatographs and related toxicology fluid analysis equipment and RFID inventory management equipment.

SECTION 4. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Justice the sum of one million seven hundred twenty-seven thousand eight hundred three dollars (\$1,727,803) in nonrecurring funds and three hundred four thousand one hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$304,187) in recurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year to fund start-up DNA equipment and facility operating costs for the Western Regional Crime Laboratory.

SECTION 5. This act becomes effective July 1, 2016.

