

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 984*

Short Title: Schiele Museum Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Neumann, Current, and Clary (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Appropriations.

March 22, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE CAPACITY OF THE
3 PLANETARIUM AT THE SCHIELE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY.

4 Whereas, the Schiele Museum of Natural History located in Gastonia serves
5 students from over 30 counties in North Carolina; and

6 Whereas, this year, the Museum will receive over 79,000 visitors and serve
7 more than 80,000 students; and

8 Whereas, the planetarium plays an important role in the Museum's ability to
9 excite, inspire, interest, and improve aptitude in science; and

10 Whereas, acquiring a digital projection system will improve the capacity of
11 the Museum's planetarium to deliver science programs to students and visitors; Now,
12 therefore,

13 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

14 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Trustees of
15 the Schiele Museum, Inc., a nonprofit organization, the sum of two hundred fifty
16 thousand dollars (\$250,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year to be used to acquire a digital
17 projection system that can project special programs on the full expansion of the
18 planetarium dome at the Schiele Museum of Natural History.

19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.