

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1171

Short Title: Blue Ridge Destination Ctr. Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Sherrill, Nesbitt, Ives, Cansler; Brown, Buchanan, Carpenter, Clary, Dedmon, Hiatt, R. Hunter, Justus, Ramsey, Thompson, Weatherly, and G. Wilson.

Referred to: Appropriations.

April 29, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BLUE RIDGE REGIONAL DESTINATION
CENTER.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce the sum of three million five hundred thousand dollars (\$3,500,000) for the 1997-98 fiscal year for the construction of the Blue Ridge Regional Destination Center to be located next to the Blue Ridge Parkway Headquarters Building in Buncombe County. The Center will house a Basic Visitors' Service, a Visitors' Information Gallery, a Visitors' Interpretive Gallery, and a giant screen theatre to maximize tourism development along the Blue Ridge Parkway and in Western North Carolina.

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