

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 414

Short Title: NC Symphony Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Dorsett; Albertson, Dannelly, Jones, Kinnaird, Malone, Purcell, Rand,
and Snow.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 5, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE NORTH
3 CAROLINA SYMPHONY.

4 Whereas, the North Carolina Symphony currently reaches 50,000 school-age
5 children with its music education and outreach mission in 45 counties, and

6 Whereas, the North Carolina Symphony has suffered losses due to the current
7 economic downturn resulting in significant decreases in earned and contributed income; and

8 Whereas, the North Carolina Symphony has not received an increase in its
9 continuation funding from the State of North Carolina for the past 14 years; and

10 Whereas, the North Carolina Symphony is working to make significant budget cuts
11 and increase private funding; and

12 Whereas, additional funding from the State of North Carolina, along with the above
13 financial changes, will enable the North Carolina Symphony to achieve fiscal stability within
14 three to five years; Now, therefore,

15 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

16 **SECTION 1.(a).** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department
17 of Cultural Resources the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the 2009-2010 fiscal year
18 and the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year in recurring
19 funds to increase the funding for the North Carolina Symphony.

20 **SECTION 1.(b).** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department
21 of Cultural Resources the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for the 2009-2010
22 fiscal year to increase funding for the North Carolina Symphony for educational programming.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2009.

