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HOUSE BILL DRH10305-MQa-102

Short Title: One NC Funding for Small Businesses. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives K. Hall, Ross, and Dobson (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR THE  
3 ONE NORTH CAROLINA SBIR/STTR INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND THE  
4 COMMUNITY INNOVATION FUND TO BE USED TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO SMALL  
5 BUSINESSES AND COMMUNITIES IN THE STATE.  
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
7 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the One North Carolina  
8 Small Business Account, established in G.S. 143B-437.71, the sum of five million dollars  
9 (\$5,000,000) in recurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year to be used for the North Carolina  
10 SBIR/STTR Incentive Program and the North Carolina SBIR/STTR Matching Funds Program,  
11 as provided by Part 2I of Article 10 of Chapter 143B of the General Statutes.  
12 **SECTION 2.(a)** There is created the Community Innovation Fund as a special  
13 reserve fund in the Department of Commerce. The Department shall use monies in the Fund to  
14 award competitive grants to assist rural, small-, and medium-sized communities in the State in  
15 transitioning to a knowledge- and innovation-based economy.  
16 **SECTION 2.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Community  
17 Innovation Fund created in this section the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in  
18 nonrecurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.  
19 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

