

HOUSE BILL 259: General Government Technical Corrections.-AB

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SUMMARY: House Bill 259 repeals an obsolete provision instructing the Attorney General to assign legal counsel to the Roanoke Island Commission and corrects an omission in the authorization of funds for the USS North Carolina Battleship capital project in the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2014, S.L. 2014-100.

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 of the bill repeals G.S. 143B-131.7, which instructs the Attorney General to assign legal counsel to the Roanoke Island Commission. The Commission was made part of the Department of Commerce by Section 19.8 of the Appropriations Act 2014. Because of this transfer, counsel from the Attorney General's office can be assigned in the same manner as counsel is assigned to other agencies, making G.S. 143B-131.7 obsolete.

Section 2 of the bill amends Section 36.10 of the Appropriations Act of 2014 to clarify that cofferdam repairs are part of the project being authorized. Section 36.12.(f) of the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2014 allocated up to \$3 million in proceeds of bonds and notes to finance the costs of completing a cofferdam around the USS North Carolina Battleship. However, Section 36.10 of the Act, the actual authorization for the project, fails to note that the project includes the construction of a cofferdam, and Section 2 of the bill corrects that omission.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is effective when it becomes law.

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