



# HOUSE BILL 197: Richmond CC/Multicampus Funds.

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**OVERVIEW:** *HB 197 would appropriate \$566,587 in recurring funds to be allocated for the operation of the Scotland County Campus of Richmond Community College as a multicampus center.*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S159, as introduced by Sen. McInnis, which is currently in Senate Appropriations/Base Budget.]

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 115D-5(o) requires that the State Board of Community Colleges cannot approve any additional multicampus centers without identified recurring sources of funding.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** HB 197 would appropriate the sum of five hundred sixty-six thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$566,587) in recurring funds for the operation of the Scotland County Campus of Richmond Community College as a multicampus center.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** HB 197 would become effective July 1, 2019.

**BACKGROUND:** A proposed rule for the State Board of Community Colleges describes a multi-campus center (MCC) as a convenience location in the community college service area to provide appropriate population and geographic access for community outreach, testing, faculty and staff offices, as well as literacy, continuing education, and curriculum instruction. Students may complete certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees at MCC locations. Comprehensive instructional support functions including, but not limited to libraries and student development services, are parts of the operation. An MCC must provide students the opportunity to complete at least one associate degree at the MCC.

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