



HOUSE BILL 494: Stevens Center Funds/UNC School of the Arts.

2019-2020 General Assembly

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| Committee: | House Education - Universities. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations, Education. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House | Date: | April 16, 2019 |
| Introduced by: | Reps. Conrad, Lambeth, Montgomery, Terry | Prepared by: | Drupti Chauhan |
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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 494 would appropriate \$42,200,000 to the University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNC School of the Arts) for the planning, repair, and renovations of the Stevens Center, which is owned and operated by the UNC School of the Arts.*

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 494 would appropriate \$42,200,000 from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina in nonrecurring funds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. The funds would be allocated to the UNC School of the Arts for the planning, repair, and renovations of the Stevens Center which is owned and operated by the UNC School of the Arts. The funds are to be used to make upgrades to plumbing, mechanical, electrical, life safety systems, theater sound, lighting, and state equipment for the existing 77,500 square foot building which is the Stevens Center.

The allocated funds would not revert to the General Fund at the end of the 2019-2020 fiscal year and would remain available until June 30, 2023 for the purposes set out in the act.

BACKGROUND LAW: G.S. 143C-3-3(b) provides that The University of North Carolina cannot make a capital funds request that proposes to construct a new facility, expand the building area of an existing facility, or rehabilitate an existing facility to accommodate new or expanded uses unless advanced planning through schematic design of the project has been completed with funds other than General Fund appropriations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The bill becomes effective July 1, 2019.

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