

## SENATE BILL 355: North Carolina Farm Act of 2024, Sec. 11: Go Global Endowment

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OVERVIEW: Section 11 of S.L. 2024-32 provides additional requirements for the use of funds appropriated to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) by the 2023 Appropriations Act to provide funds to support the Global Teacher Fellowship. This section requires that the funds be used to establish an endowment to provide scholarships for the Global Teacher Fellowship program with a focus on agricultural teachers, and that the fellowship is open to any individual directly associated with the agricultural industry, regardless of connection to education. DACS is required to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources and Economic Resources and the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee annually on the administration of the endowment.

This section became effective July 3, 2024.

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

The 2023 Appropriations Act appropriated to DACS \$1 million in nonrecurring funds under the title "Go Global" to "Provide[] funds to support the Global Teacher Fellowship. These funds will be matched with private donations for grants to teachers from all 100 counties."

**Section 11** provides more detail on the use of these funds. This section requires that the funds appropriated for Go Global be used to establish an endowment administered by the North Carolina Community Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, to provide scholarships for the Global Teacher Fellowship program with a focus on agricultural teachers. The fellowship must also be open to any individual directly associated with the agriculture industry, regardless of their connection to education.

This section also require DACS to report to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the chairs of the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on the administration of the endowment no later than April 1 of each year, including the number of grant applications and awards, the name of each recipient, the purposes of each grant, and the balance and expenditures of the endowment in each fiscal quarter of the prior fiscal year.

## EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective July 3, 2024.

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