

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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HOUSE BILL 1646

Short Title: Fort Fisher Funds.

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Sponsors: Representatives Gottovi; Bowen, Bowman, Crawford, Hensley, Hill, Jeffus, Nye, Redwine, Sexton, Warner, and Wright.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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May 26, 1994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES FOR SHORELINE PROTECTION AT FORT FISHER.

Whereas, Fort Fisher is a national historic landmark, the highest classification the nation gives to historic resources, and was the first such landmark in this State and is rich in Civil War history; and

Whereas, Fort Fisher has been North Carolina's most visited historic site for nearly three decades, contributing significantly to tourism in the Cape Fear area; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources has made the protection of Fort Fisher its first priority in its list of capital needs; and

Whereas, Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., has included in his capital expenditure budget request a recommendation for full funding of the Fort Fisher shoreline preservation project; and

Whereas, erosion caused by mining activities by the State in the 1920s and 1930s has destroyed two-thirds of the Fort; and

Whereas, the US Army Corps of Engineers has designed a shoreline preservation project to protect the remainder of the Fort and federal matching funds will be available to build the project; and

Whereas, all necessary construction permits have been obtained from the North Carolina Division of Coastal Resources, and planning and engineering design activities are completed; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

1           Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of  
2 Cultural Resources the sum of four million one hundred seventy thousand dollars  
3 (\$4,170,000) for the 1994-95 fiscal year to match federal funds for shoreline protection  
4 at Fort Fisher.

5           Sec. 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1994.