GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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H 1 **HOUSE BILL 777** Short Title: Urban Loop Funds Reallocated. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Luebke; Michaux, Capps, Pulley, G. Miller, and Decker. Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Finance. April 6, 1995 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT THE REALLOCATION OF THE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND URBAN LOOP FUNDS FOR OTHER TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 136-180 reads as rewritten: "§ 136-180. Urban loops. Funds allocated from the Trust Fund for urban loops may be used only for the following urban loops: Affected Counties Loop Description Asheville Western Multilane facility on new Buncombe location from I-26 west of Loop Asheville to US-19/23 north of Asheville for the purpose of connecting these

roads. The funds may be

used to improve existing

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1 2 3	Charlotte Outer Loop	Multilane facility on new location encircling City of Charlotte	Mecklenburg
4 5 6 7 8	Durham Northern Loop	Multilane facility on new location from I-85 west of Durham to US-70 east of Durham	Durham, Orange
9 10 11 12	Greensboro Loop	Multilane facility on new location encircling City of Greensboro	Guilford
13 14 15 16 17 18 19	Raleigh Outer Loop	Multilane facility on new location from US-1 southwest of Cary northerly to US-64 in eastern Wake County	Wake
20 21 22 23 24 25	Wilmington Bypass	Multilane facility on new location from US-17 northeast of Wilmington to US-17 southwest of Wilmington	New Hanover
26 27 28 29 30	Winston-Salem Northbelt	Multilane facility on new location from I-40 west of Winston-Salem northerly to I-40 in eastern Forsyth County".	Forsyth
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Sec. 2. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 136-180.1. Reallocation of urban loop funds.

(a) The Metropolitan Planning Organization established in accordance with 23 USC section 134 for each of the areas affected by the proposed urban loops, may redirect funds which would otherwise have been expended from the Trust Fund for the finished construction of the loop within its metropolitan area, to other projects which in the opinion of the Metropolitan Planning Organization would more efficiently maximize mobility of people and goods within its area of authority and minimize transportation-related fuel consumption and air pollution.

These projects may include consideration and funding of all modes of transportation, the expansion, improvement, and extension of existing roadways, the provision of public

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 and multimodal transportation, the construction of new roadways, or any other projects eligible to be included in the Transportation Improvement Program.

The Board of Transportation shall include in the next Transportation Improvement Program, prepared in accordance with G.S. 143B-350, the projects recommended by the Metropolitan Planning Organization for construction within its metropolitan area as alternative projects for the urban loop.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions G.S. 136-18, and Articles 2, 2A, 3, and 3A of Chapter 136, the Department of Transportation shall comply with the directions of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations on the reallocation of the urban loop funds from the Trust Fund.
- (c) When the funds are reallocated by the Department of Transportation from an urban loop to another Intrastate System project so as to accelerate the construction of that project, the landowners within one mile of the accelerated project shall be notified of the acceleration of the project by United States Post Office First Class Mail.
- (d) Funds redirected and reallocated pursuant to this section shall not be subject to the allocation formula in G.S. 136-176(b)."
 - Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.