

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-331
HOUSE BILL 1266**

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT THE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION WILL PAY AS RELOCATION ASSISTANCE FOR
REASONABLE EXPENSES FOR SEARCHING FOR A REPLACEMENT
BUSINESS OR FARM, AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL REGULATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 133-8(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Whenever the acquisition of real property for a program or project undertaken by an agency will result in the displacement of any person, such agency shall make a payment to any displaced person, upon application as approved by the head of the agency for:

- (1) Actual reasonable expenses in moving himself, his family, business, farm operation, or other personal property;
- (2) Actual direct losses of tangible personal property as a result of moving or discontinuing a business or farm operation, but not to exceed an amount equal to the reasonable expenses that would have been required to relocate such property, as determined by the relocation officer; and
- (3) Actual reasonable expenses in searching for a replacement business or farm in accordance with criteria established by the lead agency, but not to exceed ~~one thousand dollars (\$1,000);~~ two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500); and
- (4) Actual reasonable expenses necessary to reestablish a displaced farm, nonprofit organization, or small business at its new site, in accordance with criteria to be established by the lead agency, but not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of August, 2005.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 11:27 a.m. this 26th day of August, 2005