

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

S

1

SENATE BILL 1304

Short Title: Mountain Gateway Museum Study Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Queen.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 26, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A STUDY OF AN EXPANSION OF THE
3 MOUNTAIN GATEWAY MUSEUM.

4 Whereas, the Mountain Gateway Museum and Heritage Center tells the story
5 of the pioneer settlers of Western North Carolina through the promotion and
6 understanding of regional history and culture; and

7 Whereas, the Museum is the most western branch of the North Carolina
8 Museum of History; and

9 Whereas, an opportunity exists to expand the Museum with the purchase of a
10 prime site adjacent to the Museum; and

11 Whereas, the Museum is located near Interstate I-40, the most highly traveled
12 route to Western North Carolina; and

13 Whereas, expansion of the Museum would attract additional visitors; Now,
14 therefore,

15 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

16 **SECTION 1.(a)** The Department of Cultural Resources shall study the
17 feasibility of expanding the Mountain Gateway Museum and Heritage Center.

18 **SECTION 1.(b)** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
19 Department of Cultural Resources the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)
20 for the 2007-2008 fiscal year to conduct the study required by subsection (a) of this
21 section.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.