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SENATE BILL DRS25028-MK-87A* (02/22)

Short Title: Catawba Valley CC/Manufacturing Center. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Tillman (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CODIFY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS
3 CENTER AT CATAWBA VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 115D of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
6 Article to read:

7 "Article 5B.

8 "Manufacturing Solutions Center at Catawba Valley Community College.

9 "§ 115D-67.10. Purpose of the Center.

10 The purpose of the Manufacturing Solutions Center at Catawba Valley Community College is
11 to create and maintain jobs in North Carolina through support of traditional and emerging
12 industries. The Center's services include training, testing, market development, entrepreneur
13 support, product sourcing, prototyping, applied research, and managing a manufacturing business
14 incubator.

15 "§ 115D-67.11. Director and other Center personnel.

16 The president of the Catawba Valley Community College shall appoint an individual to serve
17 as the executive director of the Manufacturing Solutions Center. The executive director shall select
18 other personnel of the Center, subject to the approval by the president of the Catawba Valley
19 Community College. The executive director and other personnel of the Center are employees of
20 Catawba Valley Community College and are subject to the personnel policies of the community
21 college.

22 "§ 115D-67.12. Fees collected by the Center; use of Center funds.

23 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all fees collected by the Manufacturing Solutions
24 Center for services to industry, except for regular curriculum and continuing education tuition
25 receipts, shall be retained by the Center and used for the operations of the Center. Purchases made
26 by the Center using these funds are not subject to the provisions of Article 3 of Chapter 143 of the
27 General Statutes. However, the Center shall (i) notify the Secretary of the Department of
28 Administration or the Secretary's designee of the intent to enter into a contract for supplies,
29 materials, printing, equipment, and contractual services that exceeds one million dollars
30 (\$1,000,000) as provided in G.S. 114-8.3 and (ii) include in all agreements or contracts to be
31 awarded by the Center under this section a standard clause which provides that the State Auditor
32 and internal auditors of the Center may audit the records of the contractor during and after the
33 term of the contract to verify accounts and data affecting fees and performance. The Center shall
34 not award a cost plus percentage of cost agreement or contract for any purpose."

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



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