## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2021

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## HOUSE BILL 1143

|   | Short Title:   | Housing Trust Fund/Increase Funding.  | (Local)  |  |
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| - | Sponsors: Representatives Rudow and Hardister (Primary Sponsors).  |   |          |  |
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|   | Referred to:   | Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the Hou                | se       |  |
|   | May 31, 2022   |   |          |  |
|   | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  |   |          |  |
|   | AN ACT AF  | PPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING  | TRUST    |  |
|   | FUND TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS IN TH   |   | IN THE   |  |
|   | STATE.   |   |          |  |
|   | Whereas, the average cost of rent in NC increased by twenty percent (20%) across the   |   |          |  |
|   | State and is higher than the nationwide sixteen percent (16%) average increase in rent; and  |   |          |  |
|   | Whereas, there is no state or county where a renter working full-time at minimum   |   |          |  |
|   | wage can afford a two-bedroom apartment; and   |   |          |  |
|   | Whereas, North Carolina is the fourth highest state for population growth, income inequality is on the rise, and there is a growing demand for affordable housing; and |   |          |  |
|   | Whereas, increasing funding for affordable housing creates jobs, attracts employers  |   |          |  |
|   |  | es, increases consumer spending and stimulates the economy, and in                      | 1 ·      |  |
|   |  | evenues through taxes and fees during and after construction; Now, therefore            |          |  |
|   | -  | Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  | ,        |  |
|   |  | ECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North                      | Carolina |  |
|   | Housing Trus   | st Fund the sum of ten million five hundred thousand dollars (\$10,500                  | ,000) in |  |
|   | recurring fund   | ds for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to increase funding for affordable housing p           | rograms  |  |
|   | in the State.  |   |          |  |
|   | SE   | <b>ECTION 2.</b> This act becomes effective July 1, 2022.                               |          |  |

