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HOUSE BILL 139

Short Title: U.S. & N.C. Flags/Made In USA. (Public)

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February 20, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT STATE INSTITUTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS  
OF THE STATE SHALL NOT USE PUBLIC FUNDS TO PURCHASE FLAGS OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA UNLESS  
THE FLAGS ARE MADE IN THE UNITED STATES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 144 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
section to read:

**"§ 144-10. Flags purchased with public funds.**

A State institution or political subdivision of the State shall not use public funds to purchase a flag of the United States of America or the State of North Carolina unless the flag has been one hundred percent (100%) manufactured in the United States from articles, materials, or supplies that have been grown or one hundred percent (100%) produced or manufactured in the United States. The provisions of this section shall not apply if the head of the State institution or governing body of the political subdivision determines the flag purchase would result in a sacrifice or loss in price or quality."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2023.

