

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1965 SESSION

CHAPTER 1067
SENATE BILL 295

1 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CONTINUE THE COLONIAL RECORDS
2 PROJECT.

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4 WHEREAS, a new edition of the Colonial Records of North Carolina is now being
5 prepared by the State Department of Archives and History, and the first volume of this series,
6 entitled North Carolina Charters and Constitutions, 1578-1698, has already been published; and

7 WHEREAS, this program will lapse as of June 30, 1965, unless funds are
8 appropriated to continue it; and

9 WHEREAS, much preliminary work in locating and obtaining copies of documents
10 has already been done, and a highly skilled, trained, professional staff has been brought
11 together, so that it will save a great deal of expense to the State to continue and complete the
12 work at the present time rather than to stop now and later have to begin over again; and

13 WHEREAS, provided the State appropriation is made, supplementary funds are
14 expected to be made available from the Federal government and from private sources; and

15 WHEREAS, the old edition of The Colonial Records of North Carolina, published
16 in the 1880's, contains tens of thousands of errors; and

17 WHEREAS, the old edition fails to include thousands of documents that have come
18 to light since 1890; and

19 WHEREAS, the editing of the old edition is badly deficient, according to modern
20 standards; and

21 WHEREAS, the old edition has long been out of print and is practically unavailable
22 to public libraries, the libraries of new colleges that are springing up throughout our State, and
23 other institutions and individuals that need the series; and

24 WHEREAS, above all, a complete, accurate, adequately edited edition of North
25 Carolina's colonial records is needed, so that at the present time the history of our State is not as
26 well known as it should be, either by our own people or throughout the Nation at large; and in
27 order to make this history better known and to secure for it the place it rightly deserves, the
28 fundamental records need to be published and made available: Now, therefore,

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30 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

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32 **Section 1.** To supplement funds appropriated in the General Appropriations Bill for
33 1965-1967 to the Department of Archives and History for the Colonial Records Project, there is
34 hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Archives and History the
35 additional sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the fiscal year 1965-1966 and thirty-
36 five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the fiscal year 1966-1967 to be used in furthering the
37 Colonial Records Project of said Department.

38 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

39 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall become effective upon its ratification.

40 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 16th day of June,
41 1965.