GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

H HOUSE BILL 1108

Short Title: Person/Caswell Lake Eligible for Trust Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Crawford.

Referred to: Environment and Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC AUTHORITIES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR GRANTS FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION TRUST FUND.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 113-44.15(b) reads as rewritten:

- "(b) Funds in the Trust Fund are annually appropriated to the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority and, unless otherwise specified by the General Assembly or the terms or conditions of a gift or grant, shall be allocated and used as follows:
 - (1) Sixty-five percent (65%) for the State Parks System for capital projects, repairs and renovations of park facilities, and land acquisition.
 - (2) Thirty percent (30%) to provide matching funds to local governmental units or public authorities as defined in G.S. 159-7 on a dollar-for-dollar basis for local park and recreation purposes. These funds shall be allocated by the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority based on criteria patterned after the Open Project Selection Process established for the Land and Water Conservation Fund administered by the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior.
 - (3) Five percent (5%) for the Coastal and Estuarine Water Beach Access Program.

In allocating funds in the Trust Fund under this subsection, the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority shall consider geographic distribution across the State to the extent practicable. Of the funds appropriated to the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority from the Trust Fund each year, no more than three percent (3%) may be used by the Department for operating expenses associated with managing capital improvements projects, acquiring land, and administration of local grants programs."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to grants awarded on or after that date.