## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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## **HOUSE BILL 841**

Short Title:	Project Enlightenment Funds.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Ross, Weiss, Coleman, Blue (Primary T. Harrell, Jones, and Stam.	Sponsors); Dollar,
Referred to:	Appropriations.	

March 15, 2007

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR PROJECT ENLIGHTENMENT IN3 WAKE COUNTY.

Whereas, Project Enlightenment is an early childhood education and intervention program of the Wake County Public School System that is available to Wake County teachers and parents of young children birth through kindergarten age; and

8 Whereas, Project Enlightenment's services help identify and serve children at 9 risk for school failure, strengthen parents' and teachers' skills in order to work 10 effectively with their children, and provide resources and training that promote 11 successful schools and successful children; and

Whereas, Project Enlightenment's services include a demonstration therapeutic preschool; school consultation concerning behavior and mental health issues; early screening for suspected problems; teacher and provider training; parent counseling and education courses; Parent-Teacher Resource Center; school readiness program; Parents as Teacher home visiting services; early literacy program development and training; and consultation and training to other professions; and

18 Whereas, Project Enlightenment has been an invaluable resource for the 19 citizens of Wake County since 1969; Now, therefore,

20 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** There is appropriated to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to provide funding for Project Enlightenment in Wake County. Project Enlightenment is a model demonstration preschool that provides consultation and education services to children, families, teachers, and other professionals in Wake County.

27 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.