GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 2007

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SENATE DRS15187-MDz-96A* (4/30)

Short Title:	Address Autopsy Backlog/Funds.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Nesbitt, Malone, Boseman, Apodaca, Atwater, Brown, Dorsett, Hartsell, Jenkins, Jones, Kerr, Preston, Rand, and Snow.	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER TO ADDRESS THE BACKLOG OF AUTOPSIES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE IN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT RECOVERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of the Department of Health and Human Services the sum of one million four hundred sixteen thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars ($1,416,666) in recurring funds for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to reduce autopsy time to 30 to 45 days, to improve the ability to detect and respond to emerging threats, and to improve support for mass casualties regionally.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.