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HOUSE BILL NO. 1590

Offered January 13, 1999

A BILL for the relief of Mecklenburg County.

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Referred to Committee on Claims

Whereas, on December 13, 1997, a Virginia State Trooper stopped Ronnell Wallace in a traffic stop; and

Whereas, while making an arrest a confrontation ensued between the Virginia State Trooper and Wallace which led to Wallace being shot; and

Whereas, on December 14, 1997, the State Police served Attempted Capital Murder warrants on Wallace, who was subsequently placed in the care of the Mecklenburg County Jail; and

Whereas, Wallace was transferred to the Medical College of Virginia Hospital Criminal Ward to receive treatment for injuries resulting from the shooting; and

Whereas, the medical bills from the treatment of Wallace totaled over \$56,000; and

Whereas, the cost of the medical treatment related to the arrest was an unexpected additional expense; and

Whereas, the County has paid the entire amount of the medical bills, resulting in the depletion of the sheriff's budget; and

Whereas, Mecklenburg County has no other means to obtain relief except by action of this body; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That there is hereby appropriated from the general fund of the state treasury the amount of \$ 56,000 to be paid by check issued by the State Treasurer on warrant of the Comptroller to Mecklenburg County, upon execution of a release of all claims it may have against the Commonwealth or any agency, instrumentality, officer, employee or political subdivision in connection with the aforesaid occurrence.*

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