March 1, 1999

**S 180. ESTABLISH MOUNTAIN ISLAND STATE FOREST.** *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL AND OPERATIONAL COSTS OF ESTABLISHING THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND EDUCATIONAL STATE FOREST TO BE LOCATED IN LINCOLN AND GASTON COUNTIES.* Appropriates \$3,255,581 for 1999-2000 from General Fund to Dep't of Environment & Natural Resources allocated as follows: (1) \$2,717,300 for capital costs of establishing Mountain Island Educational State Forest in Lincoln and Gaston Counties, (2) \$538,281 for five positions and necessary equipment for those positions. Appropriates \$268,846 for 2000-2001 to continue support of the five new positions. Effective July 1, 1999.

Intro. by Hoyle and Forrester.

Ref. to Appropriations

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