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**H 204. EQUINE INDUSTRY STUDY FUNDS.** Filed 2/14/07. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE AGRICULTURAL ADVANCEMENT CONSORTIUM TO STUDY THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE EQUINE INDUSTRY IN NORTH CAROLINA AND DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO MAXIMIZE THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THIS INDUSTRY IN THE STATE.* Appropriates \$500,000 for 2007-08 from the General Fund to the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc., to be allocated to the Agricultural Advancement Consortium for the purpose indicated in the title. The consortium is to complete its work and report to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the chairs of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees within twelve months of the funds becoming available. Effective July 1, 2007.  
**Intro. by Pierce.** APPROP, STUDY