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**S 504. COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS FUNDS.** Filed 3/5/07. TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC., PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND FOR FIVE ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCE LEARNING CENTERS (PLC).

Appropriates \$6,024,091 for 2007-08 and \$6,024,091 for 2008-09 in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction to support and expand programs and services of Communities in Schools of North Carolina, Inc. The funds are to be used to leverage federal and private grants to support local Communities in School programs throughout the state and to place not fewer than 100 graduation coaches in middle or high school systems. Appropriates \$756,250 for 2007-08 and \$756,250 for 2008-09 from the General Fund to Communities in Schools of North Carolina, Inc. to open at least five additional Performance Learning Centers across North Carolina over the next three years. Effective July 1, 2007. Intro. by Swindell.