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SENATE BILL DRS15244-LGa-100

Short Title: Steele Creek Investment and Improvement Act.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Salvador (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS IN
3 MECKLENBURG COUNTY'S STEELE CREEK COMMUNITY.

4 Whereas, Steele Creek is a community located in southwest Mecklenburg County
5 along Lake Wylie and the Catawba River Basin; and

6 Whereas, over the past 15 years, Steele Creek has seen a rapid growth of its population
7 by over 70%; and

8 Whereas, the 28278 ZIP Code is one of the fastest growing ZIP Codes in the State of
9 North Carolina; and

10 Whereas, Steele Creek has established itself as a commercial and manufacturing hub,
11 home to major corporations such as Groninger USA, Siemens Energy, and Spectrum; and

12 Whereas, the jobs and resources in Steele Creek serve the entire region, including
13 multiple North Carolina counties and South Carolina; and

14 Whereas, many residents of Steele Creek live in unincorporated Mecklenburg County
15 and are unable to take advantage of municipal services; Now, therefore,
16 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

17 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of State
18 Budget and Management the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) in
19 nonrecurring funds for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to provide a directed grant to Steele Creek
20 Community Place, Inc., a nonprofit organization, to support an initiative to connect opportunities
21 and resources with the needs of all people of all backgrounds in the Steele Creek area to increase
22 community health and wellness. These funds shall be allocated equally among the following
23 focus areas: (i) upward mobility and networking, (ii) physical wellness, (iii) family partnership,
24 and (iv) mental health.

25 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Office of State
26 Budget and Management the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in nonrecurring
27 funds for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to provide a directed grant to the Steele Creek Fire and Rescue
28 Service, Inc., a nonprofit organization, to support the needs of the fire department, including the
29 purchase of a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), a ladder truck, a fire/rescue boat along
30 with a boathouse for said fire boat, and real property/building for training.

31 **SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the North Carolina
32 Department of Transportation the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in
33 nonrecurring funds for the 2025-2026 fiscal year for a comprehensive traffic study of traffic
34 patterns and potential changes to Shopton Road West from South Tryon to Highway 160.

35 **SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2025.

