

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1995**

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**HOUSE BILL 505**

Short Title: Gastonia Assessment.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Dickson.

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Referred to: Local and Regional Government I.

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March 20, 1995

**A BILL TO BE ENTITLED**

**AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CITY OF GASTONIA TO MAKE CERTAIN  
ASSESSMENTS OUTSIDE THE CORPORATE LIMITS.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Charter of the City of Gastonia, being Chapter 557 of the Session Laws of 1991, is amended by adding a new section to read:

"Sec. 6.3A. Public Improvements Outside the City Limits.

In exercising the authority granted under Article 16 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes to extend and operate public enterprises outside the corporate limits, the City Council shall specially assess all or part of the costs of constructing, reconstructing, extending, building, or improving water supply and distribution systems or sewage collection and disposal systems or both such systems or any part thereof, outside the corporate limits of the City against property benefited therefrom; provided, however, no special assessment shall be levied unless and until a valid petition for such improvements has been submitted to the City by the owners of the property affected. In order to be valid, the petition must be signed by at least a majority in number of the owners of property to be assessed, who must represent at least a majority of all of the lineal fee of frontage of the lands abutting the water or sewer improvement. Special assessments levied pursuant to this section shall be levied and collected in the same way and under the

- 1 same authority and procedures as special assessments levied and collected by the City  
2 upon property within the corporate limits."  
3           Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.