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SENATE BILL 474

Short Title: Municipalities' Tree Ordinances.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senator Odom.

Referred to: State Government, Local Government, and Personnel.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNS OF CORNELIUS, DAVIDSON, AND HUNTERSVILLE TO ADOPT ORDINANCES REGULATING REMOVAL, REPLACEMENT, AND PRESERVATION OF TREES WITHIN THE TOWNS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. In order to preserve and enhance one of the most valuable natural resources of the community and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, a municipality may adopt ordinances to regulate the planting, removal, and preservation of trees on public and private property within the municipality.

Section 2. Prior to adopting an ordinance authorized by Section 1 of this act, a public hearing shall be held before the municipality's governing board. Notice of the hearing shall be given in accordance with G.S. 160A-364.

Section 3. This act shall apply only to the Towns of Cornelius, Davidson, and Huntersville.

Section 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.