

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 322*

Short Title: Williamston/Overgrown Vegetation Ordinance. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative E. Warren.

Referred to: Local Government II, if favorable, Finance.

March 2, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON TO GIVE ANNUAL NOTICE TO CHRONIC VIOLATORS OF THE TOWN'S OVERGROWN VEGETATION ORDINANCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 160A-200(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) A municipality may notify a chronic violator of the municipality's overgrown vegetation ordinance that, if the violator's property is found to be in violation of the ordinance, the municipality shall, without further notice in the calendar year in which notice is given, take action to remedy the violation and the expense of the action shall become a lien upon the property and shall be collected as unpaid taxes. The initial annual notice shall be served by registered or certified mail. A chronic violator is a person who owns property whereupon, in the previous calendar year, the municipality took remedial action at least ~~three~~ two times under the overgrown vegetation ordinance."

SECTION 2. This act applies to the Town of Williamston only.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

