

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 794

Short Title: Sanford Junked Cars.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representative Wicker.

Referred to: Government.

March 22, 1989

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CITY OF SANFORD TO REGULATE THE
3 ABANDONMENT OF JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 160A-303.2, as rewritten by Chapter 3, Session Laws of
6 1989, reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 160A-303.2. Regulation of abandonment of junked motor vehicles in**
8 **municipalities in certain counties.**

9 (a) A municipality in Dare, Alamance, Ashe, Bladen, Brunswick, Burke,
10 Cabarrus, Caldwell, Cumberland, Davie, Gaston, Guilford, Halifax, Henderson, Iredell,
11 Jackson, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Moore, New Hanover, Pender, Rockingham, Rowan,
12 Surry, Wake, Wayne, Stokes, Alleghany, Carteret, Columbus or Union Counties, and
13 the City of Sanford may by ordinance regulate, restrain or prohibit the abandonment of
14 junked motor vehicles on public grounds and on private property within the
15 municipality's ordinance-making jurisdiction upon a finding that such regulation,
16 restraint or prohibition is necessary and desirable to promote or enhance community,
17 neighborhood or area appearance. The authority granted by this section shall be
18 supplemental to any other authority conferred upon municipalities. Nothing in this
19 section shall be construed to authorize a municipality to require the removal or disposal
20 of a motor vehicle kept or stored at a bona fide 'automobile graveyard' or 'junkyard' as
21 defined in G.S. 136-143.

22 For purposes of this section, the term 'junked motor vehicle' means a vehicle that
23 does not display a current license plate and that:

24 (1) Is partially dismantled or wrecked; or

1 (2) Cannot be self-propelled or moved in the manner in which it originally
2 was intended to move; or

3 (3) Is more than five years old and appears to be worth less than one
4 hundred dollars (\$100.00).

5 (b) Any ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall include a prohibition
6 against removing or disposing of any motor vehicle that is used on a regular basis for
7 business or personal use."

8 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.