

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**SENATE BILL 617
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT EXEMPTING COUNTY VEHICLES USED BY MECKLENBURG COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO CARPOOL WITH EACH OTHER FROM THE PROVISIONS OF G.S. 14-247.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 14-247 reads as rewritten:

"§ 14-247. Private use of publicly owned vehicle.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any officer, agent or employee of the State of North Carolina, or of any county or of any institution or agency of the State, to use for any private purpose whatsoever any motor vehicle of any type or description whatsoever belonging to the State, or to any county, or to any institution or agency of the State. It is not a private purpose to drive a permanently assigned state- owned motor vehicle between one's official work station and one's home as provided in G.S. 143-341(8)i7a.

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate a rule or regulation adopted by the Department of Administration and approved by the Governor concerning the control of all state-owned passenger motor vehicles as provided in G.S. 143-341(8)i with the intent to defraud the State of North Carolina.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, county employees may carpool with each other in county vehicles as lawfully permitted by the county."

SECTION 2. This act applies to Mecklenburg County only.

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of June, 2007.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives