

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2009**

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**HOUSE BILL 1944**

Short Title: Bermuda Run Debt Collection/Gates & Fences. (Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Howard.

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

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May 25, 2010

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF BERMUDA RUN TO ASSESS GATE  
3 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FEES AND TO PLACE LIENS ON REAL  
4 PROPERTY FOR UNPAID FEES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED AS DELINQUENT  
5 PROPERTY TAXES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** The Town of Bermuda Run shall have the authority to assess a fee  
8 for the costs of gate operations and fence maintenance on all real property situated in the area  
9 of the town which is zoned Club Residential. The fee shall be established annually and  
10 incorporated into the local budget ordinance.

11       **SECTION 2.** A fee assessed under this act shall be a lien on the real property on  
12 which it has been assessed as of the date of the billing of the fee and shall be collected as  
13 delinquent property taxes. However, the lien shall not be enforced under the collection  
14 methods set out in the Machinery Act of North Carolina until such time as the fee remains  
15 unpaid for a period of 30 days from the date of its initial billing.

16       **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law. Any unpaid fees  
17 previously billed by the Town of Bermuda Run for gate operations and fence maintenance shall  
18 be a lien on the real property on which the fees were assessed as of the effective date of this act  
19 and may be enforced under the provisions of this act no sooner than 30 days after the date this  
20 act becomes law.

