

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1164*

Short Title: Establish Metropolitan Planning Boards.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Clodfelter.

Referred to: Transportation.

April 15, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING BOARDS TO ASSIST THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF
3 TRANSPORTATION PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR URBAN AREAS OF THE
4 STATE.

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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. Article 1 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by
8 adding a new section to read:

9 **"§ 136-15.1. Metropolitan planning boards.**

10 (a) As used in this section:

11 (1) 'Metropolitan planning board' has the same meaning as 'metropolitan
12 planning organization' as used in 23 U.S.C. § 134.

13 (2) 'Metropolitan area' has the same meaning as 'metropolitan area' as used
14 in 23 U.S.C. § 134.

15 (b) The Governor, with the assistance of the Secretary of Transportation, shall
16 designate a metropolitan planning board for each urban area of more than 50,000
17 population in the State and shall determine the boundaries of each metropolitan area to be
18 served by a metropolitan planning board. The Governor shall designate metropolitan
19 planning boards and designate metropolitan areas in accordance with the requirements of
20 23 U.S.C. § 134.

1 (c) The boundaries of the area served by each metropolitan planning board shall be
2 evaluated and adjusted in the year following each decennial federal census.

3 (d) Article 2A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes applies to the designation
4 of a metropolitan planning board and to the determination of a metropolitan area."

5 Section 2. The Governor shall designate initial metropolitan planning boards
6 and determine initial metropolitan areas on the basis of data collected in the 2000 federal
7 census and shall complete all initial designations and determinations no later than 31
8 December 2001.

9 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.