

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1733

Short Title: Southport Utility Undergrounding. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Stiller.

Referred to: Finance.

May 27, 2004

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CITY OF SOUTHPORT TO ASSESS BENEFITED
3 PROPERTY FOR UNDERGROUNDING UTILITIES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** The Charter of the City of Southport, being Chapter 659 of the
6 1983 Session laws, is amended by adding a new Article to read:

7 "ARTICLE X. SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY FOR PLACEMENT OF
8 UTILITIES UNDERGROUND.

9 "**Sec. 10.1.** Special Assessment Authority for Placement of Utilities Underground. In
10 addition to the assessment authority provided in G.S. 160A-216, the Board of Aldermen
11 may make special assessments against benefited property within the corporate limits for
12 placing utility lines underground. For the purpose of this section, utility lines include
13 electrical distribution, telephone, and cable television lines. Any assessments made
14 under this section shall be made in accordance with the procedural requirements of
15 Article 10 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.