

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

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**SENATE BILL 1252\***

Short Title: Greensboro Claim Settlements.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Senators Dorsett, Hagan; Berger, and Bingham.

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Referred to: State Government, Local Government, and Veterans' Affairs.

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May 24, 2004

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE GREENSBORO CITY CHARTER TO INCREASE THE  
3 AUTHORITY OF THE CITY MANAGER TO SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST THE  
4 CITY FROM FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THREE HUNDRED  
5 THOUSAND DOLLARS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** Section 7.03 of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, being  
8 Section 1 of Chapter 1137 of the 1959 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 686 of the  
9 1961 Session Laws, Chapter 55 of the 1963 Session Laws, Chapter 213 of the 1973  
10 Session Laws, Chapter 159 of the 1981 Session Laws, Chapter 4 of the 1991 Session  
11 Laws, and Chapter 680 of the 1995 Session Laws, is rewritten to read:

12       **"Sec. 7.03. Settlement of claims by city manager.**

13       The city manager may settle claims against the city for: (i) personal injury or for  
14 damages to property when the amount involved does not exceed the sum of three  
15 hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained,  
16 including loss of time, medical expenses, and any other expense actually incurred, and  
17 (ii) the taking of property for rights-of-way in connection with public improvements  
18 which the city is authorized by law to make, when the amount involved in any such  
19 settlement does not exceed the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and  
20 does not exceed the actual loss sustained. Settlement of a claim by the city manager  
21 pursuant to this section shall constitute a complete release of the city from any and all  
22 damages sustained by the person involved in such settlement in any manner arising out  
23 of the accident, occasion, or taking complained of. All such releases shall be subject to  
24 the approval of the city attorney."

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