GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

S SENATE BILL 641

Short Title: County Ordinances/Smoking. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Clodfelter.

Referred to: Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

March 12, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN COUNTIES TO ADOPT ORDINANCES
REGULATING SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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12 13 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-601 is amended by adding the following new subsection to read:

"(c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) of this section, G.S. 143-597, or any other provision of this Article to the contrary, a county board of commissioners may enact and enforce a local ordinance, law, or rule regulating smoking in public places, the restrictions of which may exceed those established in this Article. This subsection applies only to counties with a population in excess of 695,000 according to the most recent federal decennial census."

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