

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 576
HOUSE BILL 2036

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY
TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Section 1(e) of Chapter 561, Session Laws of 1987, reads as rewritten:

"(e) Distribution and use of tax revenue. Lenoir County shall, on a monthly basis, remit the net proceeds of the occupancy tax to the ~~Lenoir~~-Kinston-Lenoir County Tourism Development Authority. The Authority may spend funds remitted to it under this subsection only to further the development of travel, tourism, and conventions in Lenoir County through advertising and promotion, to sponsor tourist-oriented events and activities in Lenoir County, and to finance tourist-related capital projects in Lenoir County. As used in this subsection, 'net proceeds' means gross proceeds less the cost to the county of administering and collecting the tax, which may not exceed five percent (5%) of the gross proceeds."

Sec. 2. Section 2(a) of Chapter 561, Session Laws of 1989, reads as rewritten:

"(a) Appointment and membership. When the board of commissioners adopts a resolution levying a room occupancy tax under this act, it shall also adopt a resolution creating the ~~Lenoir~~-Kinston-Lenoir County Tourism Development Authority, which shall be a public authority under the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. The resolution shall provide that the Authority shall be composed of the following seven members:

- (1) A Lenoir County Commissioner appointed by the board of commissioners;
- (2) A member of the Kinston City Council appointed by the city council;
- (3) Three owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other taxable accommodations in Lenoir County that have at least 50 units, one of whom shall be appointed by the Kinston City Council, one by the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners, and one by the Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce; and
- (4) Two individuals involved in the tourist business who have demonstrated an interest in tourist development and do not own or operate hotels, motels, or other taxable tourist accommodations,

appointed as follows: one by the Kinston City Council and one by the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners.

All members of the Authority shall serve without compensation. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments. Members appointed to fill vacancies shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Authority shall elect each year from its membership a chairman. No member may serve as chairman more than two one-year terms in succession. The Authority shall meet at the call of the chairman or of any three members and shall adopt rules of procedure to govern its meetings. The Finance Officer for Lenoir County shall be the ex officio finance officer of the Authority."

Sec. 3. No additional action by the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners is necessary to implement this act.

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4th day of July, 1989.