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SENATE BILL 465

Short Title: Lenoir Towns Junked Cars.

Sponsors: Senator Murphy.

Referred to: Local Government and Regional Affairs.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 2 AN ACT TO ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES IN LENOIR COUNTY TO REGULATE3 THE ABANDONMENT OF JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES.
- 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 160A-303.2, as rewritten by Chapter 3, Session Laws of 6 1989, reads as rewritten:

 7 "§ 160A-303.2. Regulation of abandonment of junked motor vehicles in 8 municipalities in certain counties.

A municipality in Dare, Alamance, Ashe, Bladen, Brunswick, Burke, 9 (a) Cabarrus, Caldwell, Cumberland, Davie, Gaston, Guilford, Halifax, Henderson, Iredell, 10 Jackson, Lenoir, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Moore, New Hanover, Pender, Rockingham, 11 Rowan, Surry, Wake, Wayne, Stokes, Alleghany, Carteret, Columbus or Union 12 Counties may by ordinance regulate, restrain or prohibit the abandonment of junked 13 motor vehicles on public grounds and on private property within the municipality's 14 ordinance-making jurisdiction upon a finding that such regulation, restraint or 15 prohibition is necessary and desirable to promote or enhance community, neighborhood 16 or area appearance. The authority granted by this section shall be supplemental to any 17 18 other authority conferred upon municipalities. Nothing in this section shall be construed to authorize a municipality to require the removal or disposal of a motor 19 vehicle kept or stored at a bona fide 'automobile graveyard' or 'junkyard' as defined in 20 21 G.S. 136-143.

For purposes of this section, the term 'junked motor vehicle' means a vehicle that does not display a current license plate and that:

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(1) Is partially dismantled or wrecked; or

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- (2) Cannot be self-propelled or moved in the manner in which it originally was intended to move; or
 (3) Is more than five years old and appears to be worth less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
 (b) Any ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall include a prohibition against removing or disposing of any motor vehicle that is used on a regular basis for
- 7 business or personal use."
- 8 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.