

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 269

Short Title: Dallas Property Maintenance.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senator Hoyle.

Referred to: Finance

February 27, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF DALLAS TO ENACT A PROPERTY MAINTENANCE ORDINANCE AND TO ASSESS CERTAIN COSTS OF ENFORCEMENT AS A LIEN AGAINST THE PROPERTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Charter of the Town of Dallas, being Chapter 342 of the 1979 Session Laws, is amended by adding a new Article to read:

"ARTICLE V.

"PROPERTY MAINTENANCE.

"Sec. 5.1. **Removal of Trash, Weeds; Lien.** The Town Board may require the owner or owners of all premises, vacant or improved, to keep the same free from trash, obnoxious weeds, overgrowth, solid wastes, and stagnant water and may provide that in the case of failure on the part of such owner or owners to comply with any such requirement, an employee or contractor of the Town may go upon their premises and perform such work as may be necessary to comply with such requirement, and the Town may charge the cost thereof against the premises upon which such work is performed.

The costs of the Town of any work performed under this section shall constitute a lien against the premises upon which the work is performed and may be collected in the same manner as taxes upon real property. The term 'cost' as used in this section shall include

1 interest at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum until said lien is paid. Interest does  
2 not accrue until a bill for the costs becomes overdue."

3           Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.