

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1997

SESSION LAW 1998-108  
HOUSE BILL 1546

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES TO CHARGE A FEE NOT TO EXCEED FIVE DOLLARS FOR UNCERTIFIED COPIES OF POLICE INCIDENT OR ACCIDENT REPORTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO GIVE ANNUAL NOTICE OF VIOLATION TO CHRONIC VIOLATORS OF THE CITY'S OVERGROWN VEGETATION ORDINANCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. A municipality may charge a fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00) for an uncertified copy of a police incident or accident report, except that the operator of a vehicle involved in an accident shall be entitled to one free copy of an uncertified copy. The fees collected shall be used for law enforcement purposes only.

Section 2. A municipality may notify a chronic violator of the municipality's overgrown vegetation ordinance that, if the violator's property is found to be in violation of the ordinance, the municipality shall, without further notice in the calendar year in which notice is given, take action to remedy the violation and the expense of the action shall become a lien upon the property and shall be collected as unpaid taxes. The notice shall be served by registered or certified mail. A chronic violator is a person who owns property whereupon, in the previous calendar year, the municipality took remedial action at least three times under the overgrown vegetation ordinance.

Section 3. This act applies to the Towns of Denton and Farmville and the City of Greenville only.

Section 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 19th day of August, 1998.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker  
Speaker of the House of Representatives