GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1997 SESSION

S.L. 1997-224 HOUSE BILL 587

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD TO PROVIDE ITS OWN LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND TO CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 18B-501(f) reads as rewritten:

"(f) Contracts with Other Agencies. – Instead of of, or in addition to, hiring local ABC officers, a local board may contract to pay its enforcement funds to with a sheriff's department, city police department, or other local law-enforcement agency for enforcement of the ABC laws within the law-enforcement agency's territorial jurisdiction. Enforcement agreements may be made with more than one agency at the same time. When such a contract for enforcement exists, the those officers of the contracting law-enforcement agency designated in the contract shall have the same authority to inspect under G.S. 18B-502 that an ABC officer employed by that local board would have. once the designated officers of the contracting law enforcement agency have been certified by the chief ABC officer as having been trained. In order to be certified, the designated officers shall receive the same training in the enforcement of the ABC laws as is provided to local ABC officers. If a city located in two or more counties approves the sale of some type of alcoholic beverage pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 18B-600(e4), and there are no local ABC boards established in the city and one of the counties in which the city is located, the local ABC board of any county in which the city is located may enter into an enforcement agreement with the city's police department for enforcement of the ABC laws within the entire city, including that portion of the city located in the county of the ABC board entering into the enforcement agreement. Enforcement agreements authorized by this section may be cancelled by the local ABC board upon 20 days' written notice.

Payments, if any, received by a contracting agency for furnishing law enforcement services shall be in addition to any profits allocated to local governments derived from the sale of alcoholic beverages."

Section 2. This act applies to the Mecklenburg County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board only.

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 26th day of June, 1997.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

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