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HOUSE BILL 868\*  
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Short Title: Chapel Hill Omnibus Act.

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April 1, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT MAKING OMNIBUS AMENDMENTS CONCERNING THE TOWN OF  
CHAPEL HILL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter II of the Charter of the Town of Chapel Hill, being Chapter 473 of the 1975 Session Laws, as amended, is amended by adding the following new sections to read:

"Sec. 2.6. Disclosure of contributors.

(a) The Town Council may by ordinance require the disclosure by candidates (and their political committees) for elective Town office of the names of all contributors to their campaign. The ordinance may exempt from disclosure contributions below a monetary amount set in the ordinance.

(b) The ordinance shall apply regardless of the total amount of contributions, loans, or expenditures by the campaign.

(c) G.S. 163-278.10A does not apply to municipal elections in the Town of Chapel Hill.

"Sec. 2.7. Definitions. The definitions in Article 22A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes apply to Section 2.6 of this Charter."

1           Section 2. Chapter V of the Charter of the Town of Chapel Hill, being Chapter  
2 473 of the 1975 Session Laws, as amended, is amended by adding the following new  
3 Article to read:

4                   **"ARTICLE 9. REGULATION OF OPEN BURNING.**

5           "Sec. 5.50. After conducting a public hearing, the Town may adopt ordinances to  
6 regulate and prohibit the open burning of trees, limbs, stumps, and construction debris  
7 within the Town or the Town's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

8           The Town may, as a condition of approval for any permit for a subdivision, clearing  
9 and development of land, or construction of buildings within the Town or the Town's  
10 extraterritorial jurisdiction, regulate and prohibit the open burning of trees, limbs, stumps,  
11 and construction debris associated with the permitted activity."

12           Section 3.(a) G.S. 163-47(a) reads as rewritten:

13           "(a) The chief judges and judges of election shall conduct the primaries and  
14 elections within their respective precincts fairly and impartially, and they shall enforce  
15 peace and good order in and about the place of registration and voting. On the day of  
16 each primary and general and special election, the precinct chief judge and judges shall  
17 remain at the voting place from the time fixed by law for the commencement of their  
18 duties there until they have completed all those duties, and they shall not separate nor  
19 shall any one of them leave the voting place except for unavoidable necessity.  
20 Notwithstanding the requirement in the previous sentence, the county board of elections  
21 may allow judges of election to serve for half-day shifts."

22           Section 3.(b) This act applies to Orange County only.

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