

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2001**

**SESSION LAW 2001-74  
HOUSE BILL 697**

**AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE BRUNSWICK FIRE FEE  
LEGISLATION.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 1(c) of S.L. 1999-323 reads as rewritten:

"Section 1.(c) Fees. – The fees imposed by the county may not exceed the cost of providing fire protection services within the district and may be imposed on owners of all real property that benefits from the availability of fire protection and on owners of all manufactured or mobile homes that benefit from the availability of fire protection. For the purpose of this section, the term 'fire protection' includes furnishing emergency medical, rescue, and ambulance services to protect persons in the district from injury or death. The county shall establish a schedule of fees for different classes of property and the fee for each class of property shall be proportional to the estimated cost of providing fire protection services to that class of property. The schedule of fees shall include the following classes of property and the fee on each class of property shall not exceed the following maximums:

- (1) A single-family dwelling or manufactured or mobile home, and appurtenant structures, plus up to five acres of surrounding land. The fee on this class of property may not ~~exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) per site per year.~~ exceed:
  - a. Fifty dollars (\$50.00) per site per year for homes 1,500 square feet of heated floor area or less.
  - b. One hundred dollars (\$100.00) per site per year for homes greater than 1,500 square feet of heated floor area but less than 2,500 square feet of heated floor area.
  - c. One hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per site per year for homes 2,500 square feet of heated floor area and above.
- (2) Unimproved land other than the five acres of land classified as part of a single-family dwelling or manufactured or mobile home. The county may establish a maximum fee for unimproved land ~~of not more than five dollars (\$5.00) per year.~~ as follows:
  - a. Up to five acres, five dollars (\$5.00).
  - b. Five acres or more but less than 25 acres, ten dollars (\$10.00).
  - c. 25 acres or more but less than 100 acres, fifty dollars (\$50.00).
  - d. 100 acres or more but less than 500 acres, one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00).
  - e. 500 acres or more, two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).
- (3) An animal production or horticultural operation. The fee on this class of property may not exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) per site per year.
- (4) A commercial facility other than an animal production or horticultural operation. The fee on this class of property may not ~~exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) per site per year for commercial facilities with structures encompassing less than 5,000 square feet and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per site per year for commercial facilities with~~

structures encompassing 5,000 square feet or more, exceed for a commercial facility:

- a. Less than 5,000 square feet, one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
  - b. 5,000 square feet but less than 10,000 square feet, two hundred dollars (\$200.00).
  - c. 10,000 square feet but less than 20,000 square feet, five hundred dollars (\$500.00).
  - d. 20,000 square feet but less than 50,000 square feet, one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
  - e. 50,000 square feet but less than 100,000 square feet, two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500).
  - f. 100,000 square feet or over, three thousand dollars (\$3,000).
- (5) A multiple-family dwelling. Each unit in a multiple-family dwelling shall be treated as a single-family dwelling under subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- (6) Any other class of property selected by the county. The fee on these classes of property may not exceed ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2001.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives