

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

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**SENATE BILL 494
State Government, Local Government, and Veterans' Affairs Committee
Substitute Adopted 4/21/03**

Short Title: Carrboro Sprinklers.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 20, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF CARRBORO TO REQUIRE SPRINKLERS
3 IN BARS, CLUBS, AND OTHER SIMILAR PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY
4 THAT HAVE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED PEOPLE AND
5 SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** The Carrboro Town Charter, being Chapter 476 of the 1987
8 Session Laws, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 9-5(c) to
9 read:

10 "(c) Notwithstanding any provision in the North Carolina State Building Code or
11 any other provision of law, the Board of Aldermen may adopt an ordinance requiring
12 that sprinkler systems be installed in bars, clubs, and other places of public assembly
13 that are designed for occupancy by 100 or more persons and that sell alcoholic
14 beverages. This ordinance may be made applicable to any new occupancy prior to
15 issuance of a certificate of occupancy. The ordinance may also be made applicable to
16 any existing occupancy at the end of a period of three years following the date of
17 enactment of the ordinance."

18 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.