

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**HOUSE BILL 962
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MATTHEWS TO GIVE ANNUAL
NOTICE TO CHRONIC VIOLATORS OF THE TOWN'S PUBLIC NUISANCE
ORDINANCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. A municipality may notify a chronic violator of the municipality's public nuisance 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 initial annual 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 gave notice of violation at least three times under any provision of the public nuisance ordinance.

SECTION 2. This act applies to the Town of Matthews only.

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of May, 2005.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives