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HOUSE BILL 1097\*  
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Short Title: Local Energy Efficiency Incentives.

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March 28, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL AND THE CITY OF  
3 ASHEVILLE TO PROVIDE DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES IN EXCHANGE  
4 FOR REDUCTIONS IN ENERGY CONSUMPTION.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Charter of the Town of Chapel Hill, being Chapter 473 of  
7 the 1975 Session Laws, is amended by adding a new section to read:

8 "Sec. 5.19. Ordinances permitting density bonuses and other land-use development  
9 incentives for development projects agreeing to meet energy conservation carbon  
10 reduction standards.

11 For the purpose of reducing the amount of energy consumption by new  
12 development, and thereby promoting the public health, safety, and welfare, the Town of  
13 Chapel Hill may grant a density bonus, make adjustments to otherwise applicable  
14 development requirements, or provide other incentives to a developer within the Town  
15 and its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction if the developer agrees to construct new  
16 development or reconstruct existing development in a manner that the Town determines,  
17 based on generally recognized standards established for such purposes, makes a  
18 significant contribution to the reduction of energy consumption."

19 **SECTION 2.** The City of Asheville, for the purpose of reducing the amount  
20 of energy consumption by new development, and thereby promoting the public health,  
21 safety, and welfare, may adopt ordinances to grant a density bonus, make adjustments to  
22 otherwise applicable development requirements, or provide other incentives to a  
23 developer within the City and its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction if the developer  
24 agrees to construct new development or reconstruct existing development in a manner  
25 that the City determines, based on generally recognized standards established for such  
26 purposes, makes a significant contribution to the reduction of energy consumption.

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