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SENATE BILL 208\*  
Commerce Committee Substitute Adopted 4/1/97

Short Title: Lodging Establishments/Sanitation.

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Referred to:

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February 20, 1997

1                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT PERTAINING TO THE SANITIZATION OF COOKING UTENSILS  
3 PROVIDED BY LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
4 JOINT LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT  
5 COMMITTEE.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       Section 1. G.S. 130A-248(a3) reads as rewritten:

8       "(a3) The rules adopted by the Commission pursuant to subsections (a), (a1), and  
9 (a2) of this section shall address, but not be limited to, the following:

10       (1) Sanitation requirements for cleanliness of floors, walls, ceilings, storage  
11       spaces, utensils, ventilation equipment, and other areas and items;

12       (2) Requirements for:

13           a. Lighting and water supply;

14           b. Wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal facilities; and

15           c. Lavatory and toilet facilities, food protection, and waste disposal;

16       (3) The cleaning and bactericidal treatment of eating and drinking utensils  
17       and other food-contact ~~surfaces~~; surfaces. A requirement imposed under  
18       this subdivision to sanitize multiuse eating and drinking utensils and  
19       other food-contact surfaces does not apply to utensils and surfaces

- 1                    provided in the guest room of the lodging unit for guests to prepare food  
2                    while staying in the guest room.
- 3                    (3a) The appropriate and reasonable use of gloves or utensils by employees  
4                    who handle unwrapped food;
- 5                    (4) The methods of food preparation, transportation, catering, storage, and  
6                    serving;
- 7                    (5) The health of employees;
- 8                    (6) Animal and vermin control; and
- 9                    (7) The prohibition against the offering of unwrapped food samples to the  
10                    general public unless the offering and acceptance of the samples are  
11                    continuously supervised by an agent of the entity preparing or offering  
12                    the samples or by an agent of the entity on whose premises the samples  
13                    are made available. As used in this subdivision, 'food samples' means  
14                    unwrapped food prepared and made available for sampling by and  
15                    without charge to the general public for the purpose of promoting the  
16                    food made available for sampling. This subdivision does not apply to  
17                    unwrapped food prepared and offered in buffet, cafeteria, or other style  
18                    in exchange for payment by the general public or by the person or entity  
19                    arranging for the preparation and offering of such unwrapped food. This  
20                    subdivision shall not apply to open air produce markets nor to farmer  
21                    market facilities operated on land owned or leased by the State of North  
22                    Carolina or any local government.

23                    The rules shall contain a system for grading establishments, such as Grade A, Grade B,  
24                    and Grade C. The rules shall be written in a manner that promotes consistency in both the  
25                    interpretation and application of the grading system."

26                    Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.