

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

**SENATE BILL 587
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DURHAM TO REQUIRE OWNERS OF LANDMARKS AND BUILDINGS WITHIN HISTORIC DISTRICTS TO MAINTAIN THEIR PROPERTY IN GOOD CONDITION AND TO PROHIBIT THE TAKING OF DEER WITH DOGS IN DURHAM COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Charter of the City of Durham, being Chapter 671 of the 1975 Session Laws, as amended, is further amended by adding the following new section:

"Sec. 94.7. Maintenance of Landmarks and Historic Buildings.

The City may enact ordinances requiring owners of designated landmarks or owners of contributing buildings, structures, or sites within historic districts to maintain their property in good condition. Any ordinances adopted under this section shall contain appropriate safeguards to protect owners if the required maintenance would cause undue economic hardship."

SECTION 2. Section 1 of Chapter 669 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"Section 1. It is unlawful to take deer with the aid of ~~dogs, unless the hunter has in his possession written permission of the owner of the land to take deer with dogs, and provided that the land is located within the geographic area designated by the Wildlife Resources Commission as an area in which taking deer with dogs is permitted.~~ dogs."

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this act applies only to the City of Durham. Section 2 of this act applies only to Durham County.

SECTION 4. Section 2 of this act becomes effective October 1, 2001. The remainder of this act becomes effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 22nd day of August, 2001.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives