GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009

SESSION LAW 2009-385
SENATE BILL 618

AN ACT TO ALLOW ALL MUNICIPALITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN URBAN AREA REVITALIZATION PROJECTS UNDER THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICT ACT OF 1973.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 160A-536(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c)   Urban Area Revitalization Defined. – As used in this section, the term "urban area revitalization projects" includes the provision within an urban area of any service or facility that may be provided in a downtown area as a downtown revitalization project under subdivision (a)(2) and subsection (b) of this section. As used in this section, the term "urban area" means an area that (i) is located within a city ~~whose population exceeds 150,000 according to the most recent annual population statistics certified by the State Budget Officer~~ and (ii) meets one or more of the following conditions:

(1)   It is the central business district of the city.
(2)   It consists primarily of existing or redeveloping concentrations of industrial, retail, wholesale, office, or significant employment-generating uses, or any combination of these uses.
(3)   It is located in or along a major transportation corridor and does not include any residential parcels that are not, at their closest point, within 150 feet of the major transportation corridor right-of-way or any nonresidentially zoned parcels that are not, at their closest point, within 1,500 feet of the major transportation corridor right-of-way.
(4)   It has as its center and focus a major concentration of public or institutional uses, such as airports, seaports, colleges or universities, hospitals and health care facilities, or governmental facilities."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 20th day of July, 2009.

s/   Walter H. Dalton
       President of the Senate

s/   William L. Wainwright
       Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives

s/   Beverly E. Perdue
       Governor

Approved 12:16 p.m. this 31st day of July, 2009