

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2011

SESSION LAW 2011-79  
SENATE BILL 288

AN ACT EXPANDING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THE TOWNS OF ATLANTIC BEACH AND BEAUFORT MAY USE THE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS, AND PROVIDING THAT PARKING METERS IN THE TOWNS MAY BE ACTIVATED BY COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE MEANS OF PREPAYMENT CREDIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 160A-301(a) reads as rewritten:

**"§ 160A-301. Parking.**

(a) On-Street Parking. – A city may by ordinance regulate, restrict, and prohibit the parking of vehicles on the public streets, alleys, and bridges within the city. When parking is permitted for a specified period of time at a particular location, a city may install a parking meter at that location and require any person parking a vehicle therein to place the meter in operation for the entire time that the vehicle remains in that location, up to the maximum time allowed for parking there. Parking meters may be activated by ~~coins or tokens~~ coins, tokens, or any other commercially available means of providing prepayment credit. Proceeds from the use of parking meters on public streets ~~must~~ may be used to defray the cost of enforcing and administering traffic and parking ordinances and ~~regulations~~ regulations and may be used in the same manner in which proceeds from off-street parking facilities are permitted under subsection (b) of this section."

**SECTION 2.** This act applies to the Towns of Atlantic Beach and Beaufort only.

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

