

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2017**

**H**

**1**

**HOUSE BILL 668**

Short Title: Clarify Political Sign Ordinance Authority. (Public)

---

Sponsors: Representative Brawley.

*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

---

Referred to: State and Local Government I

---

April 11, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A MUNICIPALITY IS AUTHORIZED TO ENFORCE  
STATE LAW CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF POLITICAL SIGNS ON THE STATE  
HIGHWAY SYSTEM WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 136-32(f) reads as rewritten:

"(f) Application Within Municipalities. – Pursuant to Article 8 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a city may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the placement of political signs on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and maintained by the municipality. In the absence of an ordinance prohibiting or regulating the placement of political signs on the rights-of-way of streets located within a municipality and maintained by the municipality, the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section shall apply. A municipality is authorized to enforce the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and maintained by the municipality and on the rights-of-way of those portions of the State highway system that are located within the municipality. A municipality is authorized to remove any signs that violate the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section."

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

