

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2021

FILED SENATE
Mar 9, 2021
S.B. 204
PRINCIPAL CLERK

S

D

SENATE BILL DRS35080-LM-55*

Short Title: Durham/Relocation of Nonmunicipal Utilities. (Local)

Sponsors: Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM TO AUTHORIZE THE
3 CITY TO CONDEMN OR ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY TO PROVIDE
4 TRANSPORTATION PROJECT RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR THE RELOCATION OF
5 UTILITIES.
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
7 **SECTION 1.** Section 74 of the Charter of the City of Durham, being Chapter 671 of
8 the Session Laws of 1975, as amended, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:
9 "Sec. 74. Optional Condemnation Procedures. – In addition to any other authority for the
10 condemnation of property which is given to the City by General or Special Law, the City shall
11 be authorized to:
12 ...
13 (3) In order to prevent undue delay of City transportation projects because of utility
14 conflicts, condemn or acquire property in fee or appropriate easements necessary to provide
15 transportation project rights-of-way for the relocation of utilities when required in the
16 construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of a City transportation project. The City shall also
17 have the authority to, in its discretion, acquire rights-of-way necessary for the present or future
18 placement of utilities."
19 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

