

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1961 SESSION

CHAPTER 639  
SENATE BILL 354

AN ACT AMENDING CHAPTER 209 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1907  
AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Chapter 209 of the Private Laws of 1907, entitled "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the Charter of the Town of Rocky Mount, to be Hereafter Known as the City of Rocky Mount", as amended, shall be further amended by striking out paragraph (39a) of Section 40, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(39a) To appropriate annually from revenues received from the gas or electric systems or services established by the city an amount not exceeding the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for advertising said facilities or to foster and promote business and industry and develop commerce and trade and induce the location of manufacturing, industrial and commercial enterprises in or about the city. The funds so appropriated may be expended either directly by the board of aldermen or through the facilities of such agencies as the board of aldermen may designate; provided, however, no money so appropriated shall in any wise be expended for the purpose of promoting private business or property interests."

Sec. 2. Chapter 209 of the Private Laws of 1907, entitled "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the Charter of the Town of Rocky Mount, to be Hereafter Known as the City of Rocky Mount", as amended, shall be further amended by adding a new paragraph to Section 40, to be designated as "(43)", to read as follows:

"(43) To promote the health, safety, morals, right to gainful employment, industrial and commercial opportunities and general welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Rocky Mount either directly or through such instrumentalities or agencies as exist or may exist and operate for the public purpose of alleviating unemployment, with its resulting spread of indigency and economic stagnation, by fostering and promoting business and industry and developing commerce and trade and inducing the location of manufacturing, industrial and commercial enterprises in or about the City; provided, however, that no funds belonging to the City of Rocky Mount may be expended in carrying out the powers herein contained other than as may be provided in subparagraph (39a) hereof, nor shall any indebtedness either directly or indirectly be incurred by the City of Rocky Mount in connection herewith; nor shall the powers herein granted be utilized for the purpose of promoting private business or property interests."

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.  
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 6th day of  
June, 1961.