

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 1286
SENATE BILL 906

AN ACT CONFERRING UPON THE CITY OF ROXBORO AND PERSON COUNTY THE POWER AND AUTHORITY TO MERGE CERTAIN BRANCHES OR DEPARTMENTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT WITH SIMILAR BRANCHES OR DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF ANY GOVERNMENTAL DEPARTMENTS SO MERGED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. For the purpose of providing for a more economical administration of certain functions of government of the City of Roxboro and the County of Person, the City of Roxboro and the County of Person are hereby empowered to merge any branch or department of the government of the City of Roxboro with similar branches or departments of government of the County of Person.

Sec. 2. Such merger of departments or functions of government shall take place only when approved by a majority of the City Council of the City of Roxboro, as a unit, and a majority of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Person, as a unit, and the operation and control of such merged departments or joint governmental units shall at all times be under the joint direction and control of the City Council of the City of Roxboro and the Board of Commissioners of Person County.

Sec. 3. The governing body of the City of Roxboro and the governing body of the County of Person shall in joint session, each voting as a unit, determine the location or locations of the headquarters of the governmental departments merged by virtue hereof, and shall likewise in joint session, each voting as a unit, appoint the head or heads of such merged governmental departments, determine the length of the term of office of all department heads and assistants or other employees of any governmental department or departments merged hereunder and shall also in joint session, each voting as a unit, appoint all assistants, collectors, clerks, and all other employees in all governmental departments merged hereunder, and also in joint session, each voting as a unit, determine the salaries to be paid to the heads of all governmental departments so merged and of all assistants, clerks, or other employees in such departments.

Sec. 4. The governing body of the City of Roxboro and the governing body of the County of Person shall in joint session, each voting as a unit, determine the proportion of the costs of operation of any departments merged hereunder which shall be paid by the City of Roxboro and the County of Person, respectively.

Sec. 5. If any provisions of this Act or the application thereof to any person or governmental department or circumstances are held invalid, such invalidity shall not

affect other provisions or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

Sec. 6. This Act shall apply only to the City of Roxboro and Person County.

Sec. 7. 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 2nd day of July, 1969.