

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 660  
HOUSE BILL 1265

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LAW TO AUTHORIZE  
CITIES AND COUNTIES TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
REDEVELOPMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Chapter 160A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Section 160A-456.1 reading as follows:

**"§ 160A-456.1. Acquisition and disposition of property for redevelopment.** — In addition to the powers granted by G.S. 160A-456, any city is authorized, either as a part of a community development program or independently thereof, and without the necessity of compliance with the Urban Redevelopment Law, to exercise the following powers:

- (1) to acquire, by voluntary purchase from the owner or owners, real property which is either:
  - a. blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating, undeveloped, or inappropriately developed from the standpoint of sound community development and growth;
  - b. appropriate for rehabilitation or conservation activities;
  - c. appropriate for housing construction or the economic development of the community; or
  - d. appropriate for the preservation or restoration of historic sites, the beautification of urban land, the conservation of open space, natural resources, and scenic areas, the provision of recreational opportunities, or the guidance of urban development;
- (2) to clear, demolish, remove, or rehabilitate buildings and improvements on land so acquired; and
- (3) to retain property so acquired for public purposes, or to dispose, through sale, lease, or otherwise, of any property so acquired to any person, firm, corporation, or governmental unit; provided, the disposition of such property shall be undertaken in accordance with the procedures of Article 12 of this Chapter, or the procedures of G.S. 160A-514, or any applicable local act or charter provision modifying such procedures."

**Sec. 2.** Chapter 153A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Section 153A-376.1 reading as follows:

**"§ 153A-376.1. Acquisition and disposition of property for redevelopment.** — In addition to the powers granted by G.S. 153A-376, any county is authorized, either as a part of a community development program or independently thereof, and without the necessity of compliance with the Urban Redevelopment Law, to exercise the following powers:

- (1) to acquire, by voluntary purchase from the owner or owners, real property which is either:
  - a. blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating, undeveloped, or inappropriately developed from the standpoint of sound community development and growth;

- b. appropriate for rehabilitation or conservation activities;
  - c. appropriate for housing construction of the economic development of the community; or
  - d. appropriate for the preservation or restoration of historic sites, the beautification of urban land, the conservation of open space, natural resources, and scenic areas, the provision of recreational opportunities, or the guidance of urban development;
- (2) to clear, demolish, remove, or rehabilitate buildings and improvements on land so acquired; and
- (3) to retain property so acquired for public purposes, or to dispose, through sale, lease, or otherwise, of any property so acquired to any person, firm, corporation, or governmental unit; provided, the disposition of such property shall be undertaken in accordance with the procedures of G.S. 153A-176, or the procedures of G.S. 160A-514, or any applicable local act modifying such procedures."

**Sec. 3.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 21st day of June,

1977.