

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 441
HOUSE BILL 568

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER VII OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC AND TO LEVY A DIFFERENTIAL LICENSE TAX.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter VII, Subchapter A, of the Charter of the City of Charlotte, as enacted by Chapter 713 of the 1965 Session Laws, is amended by adding a new Article V to read:

"ARTICLE V.

"Spay/Neuter Clinic and Differential License Tax.

"Sec. 7.71. Spay/Neuter Clinic. The City of Charlotte is authorized to establish, equip, operate and maintain a spay/neuter clinic for cats and dogs, to employ personnel for this clinic and to appropriate and expend tax and nontax funds, including property taxes, for those purposes. In lieu of the City of Charlotte itself operating the spay/neuter clinic, the City of Charlotte is further authorized to contract with any individual, corporation, nonprofit corporation, governmental body or any other group for the purpose of operating a spay/neuter clinic, or for providing spay/neuter services for dogs and cats within the City of Charlotte. The City of Charlotte may appropriate and expend tax and nontax funds, including property taxes, for these purposes.

"Sec. 7.72. Differential Licensing Tax. The City of Charlotte may levy an annual differential license tax on the privilege of keeping a dog or cat within the City. The City Council of Charlotte may levy a lower annual license tax for spayed or neutered dogs and cats than for nonspayed and nonneutered dogs and cats within the city."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 25th day of May, 1981.