

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 640  
HOUSE BILL 1084

AN ACT TO EXTINGUISH CERTAIN LIENS ON FRUITS AND VEGETABLES SOLD AT AUCTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** The caption to Article 12 of Chapter 44 is rewritten to read: "Liens on Certain Agricultural Products."

**Sec. 2.** Article 12 of Chapter 44 is amended by adding a new section, G.S. 44-69.2, to read:

**"§ 44-69.2. Effective period for liens on fruits and vegetables.** — No security interest in or lien on fruits and vegetables sold at a regular sale at an auction market at which the Department of Agriculture furnishes certified inspectors pursuant to Article 17 of Chapter 106 is effective for any purpose more than six months after the date of the sale. This section does not absolve any person from prosecution and punishment for crime."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective July 1, 1981, and shall apply only to liens created after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 22nd day of June, 1981.