

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 677  
HOUSE BILL 883

AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NONHAZARDOUS SMALL JOBS FROM CITY AND  
COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 160A-417 is amended by inserting before the last sentence which reads, "Violation of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor." the following:

"No permit issued under Articles 9 or 9C of G.S. Chapter 143 shall be required for any construction, installation, repair, replacement, or alteration costing twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500) or less in any single family residence or farm building unless the work involves: the addition, repair or replacement of load bearing structures; the addition (excluding replacement of same size and capacity) or change in the design of plumbing; the addition, replacement or change in the design of heating, air conditioning, or electrical wiring, devices, appliances, or equipment; the use of materials not permitted by the North Carolina Uniform Residential Building Code; or the addition (excluding replacement of like grade of fire resistance) of roofing."

**Sec. 2.** G.S. 153A-357 is amended by inserting before the last sentence which reads, "Violation of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor." the following:

"No permit issued under Articles 9 or 9C of G.S. Chapter 143 shall be required for any construction, installation, repair, replacement, or alteration costing twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500) or less in any single family residence or farm building unless the work involves: the addition, repair or replacement of load bearing structures; the addition (excluding replacement of same size and capacity) or change in the design of plumbing; the addition, replacement or change in the design of heating, air conditioning, or electrical wiring, devices, appliances, or equipment; the use of materials not permitted by the North Carolina Uniform Residential Building Code; or the addition (excluding replacement of like grade of fire resistance) of roofing."

**Sec. 3.** G.S. 143-138(b) is amended by adding the following language between paragraphs three and four:

"Provided further, that no building permit shall be required under the Code or any local variance thereof approved under subsection (e) for any construction, installation, repair, replacement, or alteration costing twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500) or less in any single family residence or farm building unless the work involves: the addition, repair, or replacement of load bearing structures; the addition (excluding replacement of same size and capacity) or change in the design of plumbing; the addition, replacement or change in the design of heating, air conditioning, or electrical wiring, devices, appliances, or equipment, the use of materials not permitted by the North Carolina Uniform Residential Building Code; or the addition (excluding replacement of like grade of fire resistance) of roofing."

**Sec. 4.** This act shall become effective 30 days after ratification.

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