AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PAY THE NONBETTERMENT COST OF RELOCATING WATER AND SEWER LINES OWNED BY LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-27.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 136-27.1. Relocation of water and sewer lines of municipalities and municipalities, nonprofit water or sewer corporations or associations, and local boards of education. The Department of Transportation shall pay the nonbetterment cost for the relocation of water and sewer lines, located within the existing State transportation project right-of-way, that are necessary to be relocated for a State transportation improvement project and that are owned by: (i) a municipality with a population of 5,500 or less according to the latest decennial census; (ii) a nonprofit water or sewer association or corporation; (iii) any water or sewer system organized pursuant to Chapter 162A of the General Statutes; (iv) a rural water system operated by a County as an enterprise system; (v) any sanitary district organized pursuant to Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes; or (vi) constructed by a water or sewer system organized pursuant to Chapter 162A of the General Statutes and then sold or transferred to a municipality with a population of greater than 5,500 according to the latest decennial census; or (vii) a local board of education."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2015, and applies to relocations of water and sewer lines on or after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of June, 2015.

s/ Daniel J. Forest  
President of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Pat McCrory  
Governor

Approved 10:15 a.m. this 24th day of June, 2015