

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2019

SESSION LAW 2019-89
HOUSE BILL 917

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A LOCAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY INCLUDES THE AUTHORITY TO CLOSE ROADS AND PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE EMERGENCY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 166A-19.31(b)(1) reads as rewritten:

- "(1) Of movements of people in public places, including any of the following:
- a. ~~imposing~~ Imposing a curfew; ~~curfew.~~
 - b. ~~directing~~ Directing and compelling the voluntary or mandatory evacuation of all or part of the population from any stricken or threatened area within the governing body's ~~jurisdiction;~~ jurisdiction.
 - c. ~~prescribing~~ Prescribing routes, modes of transportation, and destinations in connection with ~~evacuation;~~ evacuation.
 - d. ~~and controlling~~ Controlling ingress and egress of an emergency area, and the movement of persons within ~~the area;~~ that area.
 - e. Providing for the closure, within the emergency area, of streets, roads, highways, bridges, public vehicular areas, or other areas ordinarily used for vehicular travel, except to the movement of emergency responders and other persons necessary for recovery from the emergency. In addition to any other notice or dissemination of information, notification of any closure of a road or public vehicular area under the authority of this sub-subdivision shall be given to the Department of Transportation as soon as practicable. The ordinance may designate the sheriff to exercise the authority granted by this sub-subdivision. G.S. 166A-19.70(c) and (d) shall apply to this sub-subdivision."



SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of June, 2019.

s/ Bill Rabon
Presiding Officer of the Senate

s/ Tim Moore
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Roy Cooper
Governor

Approved 11:47 a.m. this 8th day of July, 2019