

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 282

Short Title: Roper Junked Cars.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives R. Thompson and James.

Referred to: Government.

February 20, 1989

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF ROPER TO REGULATE THE
3 ABANDONMENT OF JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 160A-303.2 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 160A-303.2. Regulation of abandonment of junked motor vehicles in
7 municipalities in certain counties.

8 (a) A municipality in Dare, Alamance, Ashe, Bladen, Brunswick, Burke,
9 Cabarrus, Caldwell, Cumberland, Davie, Gaston, Guilford, Halifax, Henderson, Iredell,
10 Jackson, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Moore, New Hanover, Pender, Rockingham, Rowan,
11 Surry, Wake, Wayne, Stokes, Alleghany, Carteret or Columbus County, and the Town
12 of Roper may by ordinance regulate, restrain or prohibit the abandonment of junked
13 motor vehicles on public grounds and on private property within the municipality's
14 ordinance-making jurisdiction upon a finding that such regulation, restraint or
15 prohibition is necessary and desirable to promote or enhance community, neighborhood
16 or area appearance. The authority granted by this section shall be supplemental to any
17 other authority conferred upon municipalities. Nothing in this section shall be
18 construed to authorize a municipality to require the removal or disposal of a motor
19 vehicle kept or stored at a bona fide 'automobile graveyard' or 'junkyard' as defined in
20 G.S. 136-143.

21 For purposes of this section, the term 'junked motor vehicle' means a vehicle that
22 does not display a current license plate and that:

23 (1) Is partially dismantled or wrecked; or

1 (2) Cannot be self-propelled or moved in the manner in which it originally
2 was intended to move; or

3 (3) Is more than five years old and appears to be worth less than one
4 hundred dollars (\$100.00).

5 (b) Any ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall include a prohibition
6 against removing or disposing of any motor vehicle that is used on a regular basis for
7 business or personal use."

8 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.