

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 595  
HOUSE BILL 728

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A COLLECTIBLE LIEN FOR SERVICES RENDERED  
BY PRIVATE RESCUE SQUADS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SUPPORTED  
BY MUNICIPALITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 44-51.4 reads as rewritten:

"§ 44-51.4. **Attachment or garnishment for county or city ambulance service. or county or city supported ambulance service.**

Whenever ambulance services are provided by a county, by a county-franchised ambulance service supplemented by county funds, or by a municipally owned and operated ambulance service or by an ambulance service supplemented by municipal funds and a recipient of such ambulance services or one legally responsible for the support of a recipient of such services fails to pay charges fixed for such services for a period of 90 days after the rendering of such services, the county or municipality providing the ambulance ~~services~~ services, or providing financial support to the ambulance service, may treat the amount due for such services as if it were a tax due to the county or municipality and may proceed to collect the amount due through the use of attachment and garnishment proceedings as set out in G.S. 105-368."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of July,  
1991.

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James C. Gardner  
President of the Senate

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Daniel Blue, Jr.  
Speaker of the House of Representatives