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HOUSE BILL 1576  
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Short Title: Coordinated Traffic Signals/Reduce Energy Use. (Public)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MUNICIPALITIES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION TO COORDINATE TRAFFIC SIGNAL PATTERNS TO  
REDUCE THE CONSUMPTION OF ENERGY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a  
new section to read:

**"§ 136-66.2A. Coordination of traffic control devices.**

The Department of Transportation and any municipality or metropolitan planning  
organization (MPO), as recognized in G.S. 136-200.1, may develop and implement a  
comprehensive traffic control plan that will coordinate the traffic signal patterns on  
streets or highways that are part of the State Highway System that enter into a  
municipality and become part of the Municipal Street System. The plan should focus on  
eliminating idle time of vehicles and the efficient flow of vehicle traffic through the  
municipalities in order to decrease consumption of fossil fuels, provide a cleaner  
environment, and reduce energy consumption."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.