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**HOUSE BILL 1921
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Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/22/10
Senate State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 7/6/10**

Short Title: Wake E-Mail Address Lists/Electronic Access.

(Local)

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A LIST OF THE E-MAIL ADDRESSES OF PERSONS
3 SUBSCRIBING TO E-MAIL LISTS KEPT BY WAKE COUNTY AND CERTAIN
4 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITHIN THAT COUNTY AND BY YADKIN COUNTY
5 ARE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION BUT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE
6 PROVIDED, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY USE
7 THAT LIST ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE THAT IT WAS SUBSCRIBED TO.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding Chapter 132 of the General Statutes, when a unit of
10 local government maintains an electronic mail list of individual subscribers, Chapter 132 of the
11 General Statutes does not require that unit of local government to provide a copy of the list.
12 The list shall be available for public inspection in either printed or electronic format or both as
13 the unit of local government elects.

14 **SECTION 2.** If a unit of local government maintains an electronic mail list of
15 individual subscribers, the unit of local government and its employees and officers may use that
16 list only: (i) for the purpose for which it was subscribed to; (ii) to notify subscribers of an
17 emergency to the public health or public safety; or (iii) in case of deletion of that list, to notify
18 subscribers of the existence of any similar lists to subscribe to.

19 **SECTION 3.** This act applies only to Wake County, the City of Raleigh, and the
20 Towns of Apex, Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Holly Springs, Knightdale, Morrisville,
21 Rolesville, Wake Forest, Wendell, Zebulon, and to Yadkin County.

22 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

