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SENATE BILL 211

Short Title: Cities/Public Nuisance Notice. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Parmon, Brunstetter (Primary Sponsors); and Meredith.

Referred to: State and Local Government.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES TO PROVIDE ANNUAL NOTICE TO CHRONIC VIOLATORS OF PUBLIC NUISANCE ORDINANCES BY REGULAR MAIL AND POSTING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 160A-200.1 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 160A-200.1. Annual notice to chronic violators of public nuisance ordinance.**

A city may notify a chronic violator of the city's public nuisance ordinance that, if the violator's property is found to be in violation of the ordinance, the city shall, without further notice in the calendar year in which notice is given, take action to remedy the violation, and the expense of the action shall become a lien upon the property and shall be collected as unpaid taxes. The notice shall be sent by registered or certified mail. When service is attempted by registered or certified mail, a copy of the notice may also be sent by regular mail. Service shall be deemed sufficient if the registered or certified mail is unclaimed or refused, but the regular mail is not returned by the post office within 10 days after the mailing. If service by regular mail is used, a copy of the notice shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises affected. A chronic violator is a person who owns property whereupon, in the previous calendar year, the city gave notice of violation at least three times under any provision of the public nuisance ordinance."

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

