

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2025**

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HOUSE BILL 219

Short Title: Counties/Franchise Ambulance Service. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Pless.

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Emergency Management and Disaster Recovery, if favorable, State and Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

February 27, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT REPEALING THE LAW THAT AUTHORIZES COUNTIES TO FRANCHISE
3 AMBULANCE SERVICES AND PROVIDING THAT COUNTY OFFICIALS SHALL
4 NOT BE REQUIRED TO APPROVE MODIFICATIONS IN THE LEVEL OF CARE
5 PROVIDED BY EMS PROVIDERS THAT ARE NOT OWNED OR OPERATED BY A
6 CITY IN THE COUNTY OR THE COUNTY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EMERGENCY
7 MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 153A-250 is repealed.

10 **SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding any provision of or any rule or regulation adopted
11 pursuant to the authority granted in G.S. 143-508(b), Article 7 of Chapter 131E of the General
12 Statutes, or any other provision of law, a county manager or EMS administrator delegated the
13 authority to act on behalf of the county shall not be required to sign a document or otherwise
14 approve of a modification in the level of care being provided by a provider within the county's
15 emergency management system. For purposes of this section, a "modification" means either an
16 increase or decrease in level of care. The provisions of this section do not apply if the provider
17 is a city located within the county or the county responsible for the emergency management
18 system.

19 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law. Section 2 of this act applies
20 to any modification in the level of care occurring on or after the date this act becomes law.



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