

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 92

Short Title: State Pay Local Costs.

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Sponsors: Senator Hardin.

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Referred to: Ways and Means.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET ACT TO PROVIDE THAT  
2 WHEN BILL IS RATIFIED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, WHICH IMPOSES ANY  
3 ADDITIONAL COSTS UPON COUNTIES AND/OR MUNICIPALITIES  
4 DURING THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE BILL IS RATIFIED, THE  
5 STATE SHALL REIMBURSE THE COUNTIES AND/OR MUNICIPALITIES  
6 FOR SUCH COSTS DURING THAT FISCAL YEAR.

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8 Whereas, the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act requires  
9 counties and municipalities to adopt budgets no later than July 1, and provides no means  
10 for raising additional revenues after the budget is adopted; and

11 Whereas, the State budget is often enacted on or after July 1, and many times  
12 contains provisions imposing additional costs upon the counties and municipalities; and

13 Whereas, if for State reasons, the General Assembly cannot enact the budget  
14 until July 1 or after, it should either delay passing along costs to the counties and  
15 municipalities for one year, or reimburse the counties for such costs; Now, therefore,

16 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

17 Section 1. The Executive Budget Act, Article 1 of Chapter 143 of the  
18 General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

19 "**§ 143-31.6. Reimbursement for county and municipal mandates not enacted in a**  
20 **timely manner.**

21 Whenever an act is ratified which imposes financial obligations on counties or  
22 municipalities during the fiscal year in which the act is ratified, the State shall reimburse  
23 them for such costs during that fiscal year."

24 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.