GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

H HOUSE BILL 894*

Short Title: Garner Tree Ordinance. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Hensley (By Request).

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF GARNER TO ADOPT ORDINANCES 3 REGULATING REMOVAL. REPLACEMENT. AND PRESERVATION OF 4 TREES AND SHRUBS WITHIN THE TOWN AND THE TOWN'S 5 EXTRATERRITORIAL PLANNING JURISDICTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. In order to preserve and enhance one of the most valuable natural resources of the community and to protect the safety and welfare of its citizens, a municipality may adopt ordinances to regulate the planting, removal, and preservation of trees and shrubs on public and private property within the municipality and its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. Prior to adopting an ordinance authorized by Section 1 of this act, a public hearing shall be held before the municipality's governing board. Notice of the hearing shall be given in accordance with G.S. 160A-364.

SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall apply only to the Town of Garner and to the areas within its extraterritorial planning jurisdiction under Article 19 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.

SECTION 4. Section 3 of S.L. 2000-108 reads as rewritten:

"Section 3. This act shall apply only to the City of Kinston and the Towns of Apex, Cary, Garner, and Morrisville and to the areas within those towns' extraterritorial planning jurisdiction under Article 19 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes."

SECTION 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.