GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

SESSION LAW 2007-430 HOUSE BILL 1060

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND COUNTIES TO DONATE SURPLUS. PROPERTY OBSOLETE. OR UNUSED PERSONAL TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS WITHIN OR OUTSIDE OF THE STATE. NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, OR OFFICIALLY ADOPTED SISTER CITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 12 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"<u>§ 160A-280. Donations of personal property to other governmental units.</u>

(a) A city may donate to a another governmental unit within the United States, a sister city, or a nonprofit organization incorporated by (i) the United States, (ii) the District of Columbia, or (iii) one of the United States, any personal property, including supplies, materials, and equipment, that the governing board deems to be surplus, obsolete, or unused. The governing board of the city or county shall post a public notice at least five days prior to the adoption of a resolution approving the donation. The resolution shall be adopted prior to making any donation of surplus, obsolete, or unused personal property. For purposes of this section a sister city is a city in a nation other than the United States that has entered into a formal, written agreement or memorandum of understanding with the donor city for the purposes of establishing a long term partnership to promote communication, understanding, and goodwill between peoples and to develop mutually beneficial activities, programs, and ideas. The agreement or memorandum of understanding establishing the sister city relationship shall be signed by the mayors or chief elective officer of both the donor and recipient cities.

(b) For the purposes of this section, the term 'governmental unit' shall have the same meaning as defined by G.S. 160A-274(a).

(c) The authority granted to a city, county, or governmental unit under this section is in addition to any authority granted under any other provision of law."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of August, 2007.

- s/ Beverly E. Perdue President of the Senate
- s/ Joe Hackney Speaker of the House of Representatives
- s/ Michael F. Easley Governor

Approved 10:55 a.m. this 23rd day of August, 2007