

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 551

Short Title: Regulate Cost of Nonconsensual Towing. (Local)

Sponsors: Senator Nesbitt.

Referred to: State and Local Government.

March 12, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE AMOUNT THAT CAN BE CHARGED AS A FEE BY A
WRECKER SERVICE OPERATOR WHEN A VEHICLE IS TOWED WITHOUT
CONSENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person may charge a fee of more than seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to tow a vehicle, from a public or private area, when the vehicle towed is towed without the consent of the vehicle's owner or operator.

SECTION 2. This act applies to the City of Asheville only.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective October 1, 2009, and applies to vehicles towed on or after that date.

