

May 11, 2000

**H 1517. FOOTHILLS REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTH.** *TO ENABLE THE COUNTY OF CALDWELL, THE COUNTY OF BURKE, THE CITY OF LENOIR, AND THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO JOINTLY ESTABLISH AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE JOINT MAINTENANCE AND CONTINUING OPERATION OF THE EXISTING AIRPORT NOW OPERATED BY THE MORGANTON-LENOIR AIRPORT AUTHORITY.*

Authorizes the four local governments listed in the title to establish, by concurrent ordinances or resolutions, the Foothills Regional Airport Authority, as successor to Morganton-Lenoir Airport Authority. Provides that each of the four governments is to appoint two members to the authority, one of whom is an elected official, and that members are to serve staggered two-year terms. Provides the Authority may operate regional airport and gives Authority wide range of powers necessary or convenient for doing so. Permits any of four local governments to withdraw from Authority upon five years' notice and permits dissolution of Authority upon agreement of three of the four local governments.

**Intro. by Buchanan, Church, Thompson, and Starnes.**

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**H 1517. FOOTHILLS REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTH.** Intro. 5/24/00. House committee substitute changes 1st edition by clarifying that authority is allowed a refund of sales and use taxes as provided in GS 105-164.14(c.)