

March 28, 2007

H 1152. BOILING SPRING LAKES/HABITAT CONSERVATION. Filed 3/28/07. *TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BOILING SPRING LAKES TO PARTICIPATE IN AND FUND A HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN FOR THE RED-COCKADED WOODPECKER AND OTHER ENDANGERED SPECIES AS A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE.*

Amends GS 143-254.2 to authorize units of local government to implement habitat conservation plans for threatened and endangered species. Amends GS 160A-216 to authorize cities to make a special assessment for habitat conservation plans for threatened and endangered species. Amends GS 160A-311 to include the development and implementation of habitat conservation plans for endangered species, including the red-cockaded woodpecker, as a public enterprise. Amends GS 160A-314 to provide that fees, penalties, and other charges for habitat conservation plans may cover any costs associated with minimizing the impact to threatened or endangered species in the city's planning jurisdiction. Provides that fees, penalties, and other charges may vary according to property use, size, amount of habitat on the land, according to whether the area is designated as critical to the survival of the species, and other factors. Applies to the City of Boiling Spring Lakes only.

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May 3, 2007

H 1152. BOILING SPRING LAKES/HABITAT CONSERVATION. Filed 3/28/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Moves from GS 143-254.2(a) to GS 160A-174 the proposed provision applicable to Boiling Spring Lakes only, allowing it to develop, adopt, and implement habitat conservation plans necessary to minimize and mitigate the incidental take of threatened and endangered species.