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**S 38. EMINENT DOMAIN.** Filed 1/31/07. *TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROHIBIT EMINENT DOMAIN FROM BEING USED FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES.* Subject to approval by the voters at the November 4, 2008, general election, adds a new section 38 to Article I of the North Carolina Constitution, effective January 1, 2009, prohibiting the state and its political subdivisions and local governments from taking property by eminent domain if the purpose of the condemnation is for economic development purposes, including increasing the tax base or increasing the rate or quality of employment in a community.

**Intro. by Smith.**

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