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SENATE BILL 105
PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S105-PCS35321-RW-11

Short Title: Clarify Political Sign Ordinance Authority. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 20, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT MUNICIPALITIES MAY ENFORCE STATE LAW
3 CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF POLITICAL SIGNS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY
4 SYSTEM WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 136-32 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 136-32. Regulation of signs.

8 ...

9 (f) Application Within Municipalities. – Pursuant to Article 8 of Chapter 160A of the
10 General Statutes, a city may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the placement of political signs
11 on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and maintained
12 by the municipality. In the absence of an ordinance prohibiting or regulating the placement of
13 political signs on the rights-of-way of streets located within a municipality and maintained by
14 the municipality, the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section shall apply. A
15 municipality is authorized to enforce the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this
16 section on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and
17 maintained by the municipality and on the rights-of-way of those portions of the State Highway
18 System that are located within the municipality and may remove any signs that violate the
19 provisions of those subsections."

20 SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.



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