GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2015

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SENATE BILL 849

State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 6/2/16 PROPOSED HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S849-PCS45538-BD-1

Short Title: Wake Cty Towns Donate Retired Service Animals.

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Referred to:

May 11, 2016

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2	AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF APEX, CARY, GARNER, KNIGHTDALE,
3	MORRISVILLE, ROLESVILLE, WAKE FOREST, AND ZEBULON AND THE COUNTY
4	OF YANCEY, AND ALL OF THE MUNICIPALITIES IN THAT COUNTY, TO
5	TRANSFER RETIRED SERVICE ANIMALS OWNED BY THAT TOWN TO THE
6	OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO HAD NORMAL CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE
7	ANIMAL.
8	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
9	SECTION 1. Article 12 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes is amended by
10	adding a new section to read:
11	" <u>§ 160A-279.5. Disposition of animals.</u>
12	(a) Upon the governing body determining any horse, dog, or other animal owned by the
13	local government is no longer fit or needed for public service, the governing body may transfer
14	ownership of the animal at a price determined by the governing body and upon any other terms
15	and conditions as the governing body deems appropriate to any of the following individuals, if that
16	individual agrees to accept ownership, care, and custody of the animal:
17	(1) The officer or employee who had normal custody and control of the animal
18	during the animal's public service to the local government.
19	(2) <u>A surviving spouse, or in the event such officer or employee dies unsurvived by</u>
20	a spouse, surviving children of the officer or employee killed in the line of duty
21	who had normal custody and control of the animal during the animal's public
22	service to the local government.
23	(3) An organization or program dedicated to the assistance or support of animals
24	retired from public service.
25	(b) This section applies only to the Towns of Apex, Cary, Garner, Knightdale, Morrisville,
26	Rolesville, Wake Forest, and Zebulon and the County of Yancey, and all of the municipalities that
27	lie in whole, or in part, in that county."
28	SECTION 1.5. If House Bill 550, 2016 Regular Session, becomes law, this act is
29	repealed.

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- **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

