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SENATE BILL DRS45144-LM-76

Short Title: Holly Springs Charter/Tree Ordinances. (Local)

Sponsors: Senator Batch (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY SPRINGS TO ALLOW
3 THE TOWN TO REGULATE THE REMOVAL AND PRESERVATION OF TREES AND
4 SHRUBS AS PART OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, PROVIDING THAT TREE
5 ORDINANCES SHALL BE ENFORCED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ALL OTHER
6 TOWN ORDINANCES, AND MAKING A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 SECTION 1. Section 5.1 of the Charter of the Town of Holly Springs, being S.L.
9 2003-73, as amended, reads as rewritten:

10 "Section 5.1. **Tree Ordinances.**

11 (a) The Town may adopt ordinances to regulate the removal and preservation of existing
12 trees and shrubs ~~prior to as part of development within a perimeter buffer zone of up to 50 feet~~
13 ~~along public roadways and property boundaries adjacent to developed properties and up to 25~~
14 ~~feet along property boundaries adjacent to undeveloped properties.~~ projects.

15 (b) Ordinances adopted pursuant to this section shall:

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17 (4) ~~Provide that the ordinances are limited to situations where undeveloped~~
18 ~~property is planned or zoned in accordance with adopted municipal plans and~~
19 ~~zoning regulations.~~

20 (5) ~~Provide that a survey of individual trees is not required.~~

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22 (8) Provide that the ordinances shall be enforced as provided in G.S. 160A-175.

23 (c) Before adopting an ordinance under this section, the governing board of the
24 municipality shall hold a public hearing on the proposed ordinance. Notice of the public hearing
25 shall be given in accordance with ~~G.S. 160A-364.~~G.S. 160D-601.

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

