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HOUSE BILL DRH30207-LM-65

Short Title: Halifax-Northampton Airport Authority/Leases. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Wray.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE HALIFAX-NORTHAMPTON REGIONAL AIRPORT  
3 AUTHORITY MAY LEASE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO  
4 THE AUTHORITY WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH CERTAIN PROCEDURES  
5 REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND THAT THE AUTHORITY MAY ENTER INTO  
6 LEASES TO OPERATE ON AIRPORT GROUNDS FOR A TERM OF FORTY YEARS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 SECTION 1. Section 4 of S.L. 1997-275, as amended by S.L. 1998-130 and S.L.  
9 2012-116, reads as rewritten:

10 "Section 4. (a) The Airport Authority shall constitute a body, both corporate and politic, and  
11 shall have the following powers and authority:

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13 (6) To ~~sell, lease, sell~~ or otherwise dispose of any property, real or personal,  
14 belonging to the Airport Authority, according to the procedures described in  
15 Article 12 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, but no sale of real property  
16 shall be made without the approval of the Halifax County Board of  
17 Commissioners, the Northampton County Board of Commissioners, and the  
18 Roanoke Rapids City Council. The procedures described in Article 12 of  
19 Chapter 160A of the General Statutes shall not apply to the lease of real or  
20 personal property belonging to the Airport Authority, and any such leases may  
21 be made upon any terms and conditions deemed advisable by the Airport  
22 Authority.

23 ...

24 (10) To operate, own, lease, control, regulate, or grant to others, for a period not to  
25 exceed ~~25-40~~ years, the right to operate on any airport premises restaurants,  
26 snack bars, vending machines, food and beverage dispensing outlets, rental  
27 car services, catering services, novelty shops, insurance sales, advertising  
28 media, merchandising outlets, motels, hotels, barber shops, automobile  
29 parking and storage facilities, automobile service establishments, and all other  
30 types of facilities as may be directly or indirectly related to the maintenance  
31 and furnishing to the general public of a complete air terminal installation.

32 ...."

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

