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Short Title:	Town of Columbia/Loiter for Drugs.	(Local)
Sponsors:	Representative Owens.	
Referred to:	Judiciary III.	

March 28, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO LOITER IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA AND IN THE CITY OF BREVARD FOR THE PURPOSE OF VIOLATING THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE LAWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Definition. – The following definitions apply in this section:

(1) Public place. – Any street, sidewalk, bridge, alley or alleyway, plaza, park, driveway, parking lot or transportation facility, or the doorways and entranceways to any building which fronts on any of those places, or a motor vehicle in or on any of those places, or any property owned by the Town of Columbia and the City of Brevard.

(2) Quasi-public place. – Any ground abutting a public place.

SECTION 1.(b) Offense. – It is unlawful for a person to remain or wander about in a public place or quasi-public place and do any of the following for the purpose of violating any provision of Article 5 of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes:

(1) Repeatedly beckon to, stop, or attempt to stop passersby, or repeatedly attempt to engage passersby in conversation.

(2) Repeatedly stop or attempt to stop motor vehicles.

(3) Repeatedly interfere with the free passage of other persons.

(4) Repeatedly pass to or receive from passersby, whether on foot or in a vehicle, money, or objects.

SECTION 1.(c) Penalty. – Any person who violates this section is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act applies only to the Town of Columbia and the City of Brevard.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective December 1, 2007, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.