

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 347*

Short Title: Local Government Regulation of Smoking. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Alexander, Glazier, Adams, Justice (Primary Sponsors);
Barnhart, Faison, Farmer-Butterfield, Harrison, Insko, Luebke, Martin,
Pierce, Tarleton, and Weiss.

Referred to: Judiciary I.

February 26, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ADOPT LAWS, RULES,
OR ORDINANCES REGULATING SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143-601 is repealed.

SECTION 2. Article 64 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended
by adding the following new section to read:

"§ 143-602. Local governments may regulate smoking in public places.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article to the contrary, a local
government may adopt an ordinance, law, or rule regulating smoking in public places."

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.