

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE DRS75180-LM-95 (02/27)**

Short Title: Durham/Refuse & Debris Ordinance. (Local)

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Sponsors: Senator Atwater.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DURHAM TO EXPEDITE REMOVAL OF  
REFUSE AND DEBRIS BY AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF CHRONIC  
VIOLATOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 1 of S.L. 2003-133 reads as rewritten:

**"SECTION 1.** A municipality may notify a chronic violator of the municipality's refuse and debris ordinance that, if the violator's property is found to be in violation of the ordinance, the municipality may, without further notice in the calendar year in which the notice is given, take action to remedy the violation, and the expense of the action shall become a lien upon the violator's property and shall be collected as unpaid taxes. The initial annual notice shall be served by registered or certified mail. Under this section, a chronic violator is a person who owns property whereupon, in the previous calendar year, the municipality took remedial action at least ~~three~~two times under the refuse and debris ordinance."

**SECTION 2.** This act applies to the City of Durham only.

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