

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

S

1

SENATE BILL 296*

Short Title: Winston-Salem/Seismic Codes. (Local)

Sponsors: Senators Parmon and Brunstetter (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: State and Local Government.

March 14, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM SEISMIC UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS A TEMPORARY
2 OCCUPANCY BY AN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER TO ALLOW SIMILAR
3 UPGRADES TO BE PERFORMED ON THE BUILDING PERMANENTLY HOUSING
4 THE CENTER.
5

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any provision of the State Building Code or any
8 public or local law to the contrary, including, but not limited to, Article 9 of Chapter 143 of the
9 General Statutes, requirements for seismic upgrades to Occupancy Category IV shall not apply
10 to structures occupied by an emergency preparedness communications and operations center
11 for a period of less than five years while the structure ordinarily occupied by the center is
12 undergoing seismic upgrades to Occupancy Category IV.

13 **SECTION 2.** This act applies to Forsyth County only.

14 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and expires June 30, 2018.

