GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 631 SENATE BILL 360

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF "IMMINENT HAZARD"AS IT APPLIES TO CHAPTER 130A OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 130A-2 reads as rewritten:

"§ 130A-2. Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply throughout this Chapter unless otherwise specified:

- (1) 'Commission' means the Commission for Health Services.
- (2) 'Department' means the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.
- (3) 'Imminent hazard' means a situation which is likely to cause an immediate threat to <u>human</u> life, an immediate threat of serious physical injury, an immediate threat of serious adverse health effects, or a serious risk of irreparable damage to the environment if no immediate action is taken.
- (4) 'Local board of health' means a district board of health or a county board of health.
- (5) 'Local health department' means a district health department or a county health department.
- (6) 'Local health director' means the administrative head of a local health department appointed pursuant to this Chapter.
- (7) 'Person' means an individual, corporation, company, association, partnership, unit of local government or other legal entity.
- (8) 'Secretary' means the Secretary of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.
- (9) 'Unit of local government' means a county, city, consolidated city-county, sanitary district or other local political subdivision, authority or agency of local government.
- (10) 'Vital records' means birth, death, fetal death, marriage, annulment and divorce records registered under the provisions of Article 4 of this Chapter."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 11th day of July, 1991.

James C. Gardner President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives