GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1625

Short Title: Modify Halifax Tourism Authority.

Sponsors: Representatives Hardaway; Allen and Crawford.

Referred to: Ways and Means.

May 28, 1998

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CHAIR OF THE HALIFAX TOURISM 3 DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE MEMBERS OF 4 THE AUTHORITY. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. Section 2 of Chapter 377 of the 1987 Session Laws reads as 6 7 rewritten: 8 "Sec. 2. Tourism Development Authority. (a) Appointment and membership. 9 When the Board of Commissioners adopts a resolution levying a room occupancy tax under this act, it shall also adopt a resolution creating a county Tourism Development 10 Authority, which shall be a public authority under the Local Government Budget and 11 Fiscal Control Act. The resolution shall provide for the membership of the Authority 12 including the members' qualifications and terms of office, and for the filling of vacancies 13 on the Authority. The resolution shall provide that the chair of the Authority shall be 14 elected by majority vote of the members of the Authority. The Board of Commissioners 15 shall designate one member of the Authority as chair and shall determine the 16 compensation, if any, to be paid to members of the Authority. 17 The Authority shall meet at the call of the chair and shall adopt rules of procedure to 18 govern its meetings. The Finance Officer for Halifax County shall be the ex officio 19 finance officer of the Authority. 20

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1 (b) Duties. The Authority shall promote travel, tourism, and conventions in the 2 county, sponsor tourist-related events and activities in the county, and finance tourist-3 related capital projects in the county.

4 (c) Reports. The Authority shall report quarterly and at the close of the fiscal year 5 to the Board of County Commissioners on its receipts and expenditures for the preceding 6 quarter and for the year in such detail as the Board may require."

7 Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1998, and applies to terms of 8 office beginning on or after that date.