

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 661

Short Title: Gaston Co. DSS Bd. Size. (Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Harrington; Barefoot, Dedmon, Hilton, Kiser, Rayfield,
and Weatherly.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

March 19, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT AUTHORIZING GASTON COUNTY TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF ITS
2 BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES.
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 108A-2 and G.S.
6 108A-3, the Board of Gaston County Commissioners may, but is not required to,
7 abolish the present five-member Gaston County Board of Social Services and replace it
8 with an appointed Gaston County Board of Social Services of five or more members.
9 Any decision to abolish and replace the Board of Social Services shall be reported
10 immediately in writing by the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to the Department
11 of Health and Human Services.

12 The number of members, the length of terms, any limitation on number of
13 terms, and all other matters relating to the composition and membership of the Board of
14 Social Services shall be determined by the Board of Commissioners before it abolishes
15 the present Board of Social Services and creates the new Board of Social Services,
16 except that two members shall be appointed by the Social Services Commission. All
17 such matters, except as to the appointments by the Social Services Commission, may be
18 changed from time to time thereafter by the Board of Commissioners without limitation.

19 Any new Board of Social Services created by the Board of Commissioners
20 pursuant to the authority granted by this act shall have all the powers, duties, and
21 responsibilities conferred upon other county boards of social services by the General
22 Statutes.

23 **SECTION 2.** This act applies to Gaston County only.

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