## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2005

## SENATE BILL 1896 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BERTIE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CONSTRUCT AND PROVIDE AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR TEACHERS AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 66-58, G.S. 115C-518, or any other provision of law, and subject to the restrictions set out in this act, the Bertie County Board of Education may contract with any person, partnership, corporation, or other business entity to construct, provide, or maintain affordable rental housing on property owned or leased by the Bertie County Board of Education.

**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding G.S. 66-58, G.S. 115C-518, or any other provision of law, the Bertie County Board of Education may rent housing units owned by the Board pursuant to this act for residential use. In renting these housing units, the Board shall give priority to Bertie County public school teachers and shall restrict the rental of such units exclusively to such teachers or other Bertie County School System employees. The Board shall have the authority to establish reasonable rents for any such housing units and may in its discretion charge below-market rates.

**SECTION 3.** This act shall not exempt any affordable housing units constructed pursuant to this act from compliance with applicable building codes, zoning

ordinances, or health and safety statutes, rules, or regulations.

**SECTION 4.** This act authorizes the Board to construct and maintain an affordable housing project located at 249 White Oak Road, Windsor, North Carolina

**SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the  $6^{th}$  day of July, 2006.

Beverly E. Perdue President of the Senate
President of the Senate
James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives