

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2007**

**SESSION LAW 2007-327  
SENATE BILL 181**

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF CLAYTON TO GIVE ANNUAL NOTICE TO CHRONIC VIOLATORS OF THE TOWN'S PUBLIC NUISANCE ORDINANCE AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF CLAYTON TO ANNEX BY VOLUNTARY PETITION AREAS THAT ARE MORE THAN THREE MILES FROM THE TOWN'S PRIMARY CORPORATE LIMITS IF THE AREAS ARE CONTIGUOUS TO THE TOWN'S SATELLITE CORPORATE LIMITS

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** A municipality may notify a chronic violator of the municipality's public nuisance ordinance that, if the violator's property is found to be in violation of the ordinance, the municipality shall, without further notice in the calendar year in which notice is given, take action to remedy the violation, and the expense of the action shall become a lien upon the property and shall be collected as unpaid taxes. The initial annual notice shall be served by registered or certified mail. A chronic violator is a person who owns property whereupon, in the previous calendar year, the municipality gave notice of violation at least three times under any provision of the public nuisance ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 160A-58.1(b)(1) shall not apply to the Town of Clayton if the area proposed for annexation is contiguous to the Town's satellite corporate limits. For purposes of this act, the term "satellite corporate limits" means the corporate limits of any noncontiguous area annexed pursuant to Part 4 of Article 4A of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes by the Town of Clayton or pursuant to a local act enacted by the General Assembly authorizing or effecting noncontiguous annexations for the Town of Clayton.

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to the Town of Clayton only.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2007.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives