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Short Title: Union County/Contracted Ambulance Service. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Arp.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW UNION COUNTY TO USE ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT  
3 AND LIEN FOR COUNTY-CONTRACTED AMBULANCE SERVICE  
4 SUPPLEMENTED BY COUNTY FUNDS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 44-51.4 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 44-51.4. Attachment or garnishment for county or city ambulance or county or city  
8 supported ambulance service.

9 Whenever ambulance services are provided by a county, by a county-franchised ambulance  
10 service supplemented by county funds, by a county-contracted ambulance service  
11 supplemented by county funds, or by a municipally owned and operated ambulance service or  
12 by an ambulance service supplemented by municipal funds and a recipient of such ambulance  
13 services or one legally responsible for the support of a recipient of such services fails to pay  
14 charges fixed for such services for a period of 90 days after the rendering of such services, the  
15 county or municipality providing the ambulance services, or providing financial support to the  
16 ambulance service, may treat the amount due for such services as if it were a tax due to the  
17 county or municipality and may proceed to collect the amount due through the use of  
18 attachment and garnishment proceedings as set out in G.S. 105-368."

19 SECTION 2. G.S. 44-51.5 reads as rewritten:

20 "§ 44-51.5. General lien for county or city ambulance service.

21 There is hereby created a general lien upon the real property of any person who has been  
22 furnished ambulance service by a county, by a county-franchised ambulance service  
23 supplemented by county funds, by a county-contracted ambulance service supplemented by  
24 county funds, or municipal agency or at the expense of a county or municipal government or  
25 upon the real property of one legally responsible for the support of any person who has been  
26 furnished such ambulance service."

27 SECTION 3. This act applies to Union County only.

28 SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.

