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SENATE BILL 105
Transportation Committee Substitute Adopted 4/18/13

Short Title: Clarify Political Sign Ordinance Authority. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT MUNICIPALITIES MAY ENFORCE STATE LAW
CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF POLITICAL SIGNS ON THE STATE HIGHWAY
SYSTEM WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-32 reads as rewritten:

"§ 136-32. Regulation of signs.

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(f) Application Within Municipalities. – Pursuant to Article 8 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, a city may by ordinance prohibit or regulate the placement of political signs on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and maintained by the municipality. In the absence of an ordinance prohibiting or regulating the placement of political signs on the rights-of-way of streets located within a municipality and maintained by the municipality, the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section shall apply. A municipality is authorized to enforce the provisions of subsections (b) through (e) of this section on rights-of-way of streets located within the corporate limits of a municipality and maintained by the municipality and on the rights-of-way of those portions of the State Highway System that are located within the municipality and may remove any signs that violate the provisions of those subsections."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

