

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

**HOUSE BILL 318
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM SEISMIC UPGRADE REQUIREMENTS A TEMPORARY OCCUPANCY BY AN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER TO ALLOW SIMILAR UPGRADES TO BE PERFORMED ON THE BUILDING PERMANENTLY HOUSING THE CENTER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of the State Building Code or any public or local law to the contrary, including, but not limited to, Article 9 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, requirements for seismic upgrades to Occupancy Category IV shall not apply to structures occupied by an emergency preparedness communications and operations center for a period of less than five years while the structure ordinarily occupied by the center is undergoing seismic upgrades to Occupancy Category IV.

SECTION 2. This act applies to the City of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County only.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and expires June 30, 2018. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9th day of July, 2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

