## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1987 SESSION

## CHAPTER 274 SENATE BILL 501

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S AUTHORITY TO REMOVE UNAUTHORIZED VEHICLES FROM ALL STATE-OWNED PUBLIC GROUNDS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT'S JURISDICTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 143-340(19) reads as rewritten:

"(19) Any motor vehicle parked in a State-owned parking lot, when such lot is clearly designated as such by a sign no smaller than 24 inches by 24 inches prominently displayed at the entrance thereto, in violation of the 'Rules and Regulations Governing State-Owned Parking Lots' dated September, 1968 or as amended, may be removed from such lot to a place of storage and the registered owner of that vehicle shall become liable for removal and storage charges. No person shall be held to answer in any civil or criminal action to any owner, lienholder, or other person legally entitled to the possession of any motor vehicle removed from such lots pursuant to this section except where such motor vehicle is wilfully, maliciously or negligently damaged in the removal from aforesaid lot to place of storage. Any motor vehicle parked without authorization on State-owned public grounds within the City of Raleigh—under the control of the Department of Administration other than a designated parking area may be removed from that property to a storage area and the registered owner of the vehicle shall be liable for removal and storage fees."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 3rd day of June, 1987.