GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 293 SENATE BILL 560

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE COLLECTION OF COST SHARING ASSESSMENTS FOR BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 106-65.90 is amended by adding a new subsection as follows:

"(c) In addition to any other remedies for the collection of assessments, including penalties, the Department of Agriculture has a lien upon cotton subject to such assessments. Provided, that any buyer of cotton shall take free of such lien if he has not received written notice of the lien from the Department or if he has paid for such cotton by a check in which the Department is named as joint payee. In any action to enforce the lien, the burden shall be upon the Department to prove that the buyer of cotton received written notice of the lien. A buyer of cotton other than a person buying cotton from the grower takes free of the lien created herein."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1987.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of June, 1987.