

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 730
SENATE BILL 384

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CHARTER OF THE INACTIVE TOWN OF GOLD POINT, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF TARBORO TO EXTEND THE MAXIMUM PERIOD OF ABEYANCE TO NOT MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF CONFIRMATION OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ELKIN CONCERNING MAINTENANCE OF SIDEWALKS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 1108, Session Laws of 1957, being the Charter of the Town of Gold Point, is repealed.

Sec. 2. (a) G.S. 160A-237 is amended by adding the following to the first paragraph:

"The foregoing notwithstanding, the Town Council, upon a finding, based on circumstances and evidence satisfactory to itself, that it is likely or probable that assessed property on which assessments levied under this Article for water or sewer improvements are to be held in abeyance will or may not be improved and connected to the water or sewer system within 10 years from the date of confirmation of the assessment roll, may extend the period of abeyance for said assessed property until improvements on said assessed property are actually connected to the water or sewer system for which the assessment was levied, or a date certain not more than 20 years from the date of confirmation of the assessment roll, whichever event first occurs. The Town Council shall have the authority to make such finding and extend said period of abeyance for assessed property on assessment rolls for water or sewer improvements heretofore or hereafter adopted and confirmed."

(b) This section shall apply only to the Town of Tarboro.

Sec. 3. The Charter of the Town of Elkin, as revised and consolidated by the 1987 General Assembly, is amended by adding a new Section to read:

"Sec. 5.5. Maintenance of Certain Sidewalks. (a) Owners of property adjacent to the sidewalks in the following areas in the Town of Elkin shall be responsible for maintenance of those sidewalks:

- (1) South Bridge Street from Yadkin River to Main Street;
- (2) North Bridge Street from Main Street to Spring Street;
- (3) Market Street from Church Street to East Main Street;
- (4) Main Street from Big Elkin Creek to Millview Road;
- (5) Court Street from Main Street to Market Street; and
- (6) Church Street from Main Street to Market Street.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prejudice any other rights the Town of Elkin has to require property owners to construct, maintain, repair, or pay the Town of Elkin the cost incurred by it for the construction, maintenance or repair of sidewalks adjacent to their property."

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 6th day of August, 1987.