GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1987 SESSION

CHAPTER 935 HOUSE BILL 2361

AN ACT TO MODIFY LEGAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE CITY OF LUMBERTON'S USE OF ITS OCCUPANCY TAX PROCEEDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 1028 of the 1983 Session Laws, Regular Session 1984, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3.2. Section 40 of Chapter 908, Session Laws of 1983, is amended by adding the following at the end:

'In the City of Lumberton, these funds may be used only as follows:

(1) fifty percent (50%) of the funds may be used only for "tourism related expenditures". As used in this act, paragraph, the term "tourism related expenditures" includes sponsoring tourist-oriented events, encouraging tourism through advertising and promotion, establishing a visitors' center, and other expenditures that directly enhance tourism, and also includes the following type of expenditures:

Criminal justice system, fire protection, public facilities and utilities, health facilities, and solid waste and sewage treatment.

These funds may not be used for services normally provided by the city on behalf of its citizens unless these services promote tourism and enlarge its economic benefits by enhancing the ability of the city to attract and provide for tourists. tourists.'

(2) fifty percent (50%) of the funds must be used to promote travel and tourism and must be used to plan, construct, operate, maintain, or in any way promote a civic center, convention center, public auditorium or like facility that may now be in existence or built in the future."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23rd day of June, 1988.