

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001

SESSION LAW 2002-111
SENATE BILL 1262

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ON BEHALF OF ITS SPECIAL PEACE OFFICERS WHO HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENFORCING THE LAW GOVERNING THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 1A of Chapter 113 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 113-28.2A. Cooperation between law enforcement agencies.

Special peace officers employed by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources are officers of a "law enforcement agency" for purposes of G.S. 160A-288, and the Department shall have the same authority as a city or county governing body to approve cooperation between law enforcement agencies under that section."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 29th day of August, 2002.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 4:57 p.m. this 6th day of September, 2002