

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

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**SENATE BILL 587
State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 4/25/01**

Short Title: Durham Historic Properties.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 22, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DURHAM TO REQUIRE OWNERS OF
3 LANDMARKS AND BUILDINGS WITHIN HISTORIC DISTRICTS TO
4 MAINTAIN THEIR PROPERTY IN GOOD CONDITION.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Charter of the City of Durham, being Chapter 671 of the
7 1975 Session Laws, as amended, is further amended by adding the following new
8 section:

9 "Sec. 94.7. Maintenance of Landmarks and Historic Buildings.

10 The City may enact ordinances requiring owners of designated landmarks or owners
11 of contributing buildings, structures, or sites within historic districts to maintain their
12 property in good condition. Any ordinances adopted under this section shall contain
13 appropriate safeguards to protect owners if the required maintenance would cause undue
14 economic hardship."

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