GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 379*

Short Title:	Allows Mutual Aid Between State & Local Gov.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Representatives Martin, Wainwright (Primary Sponsors); M. Alexander, Crawford, England, E. Floyd, Glazier, Harrison, Hughes, Insko, Lucas, McGee, Pierce, Rapp, Steen, and Wray.	
Referred to:	Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, if favorable, State Government/State Personnel.	

March 4, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT RECOVERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 166A-10 reads as rewritten:

"**§ 166A-10. Establishment of mutual aid agreements.**

(a) The Governor may establish mutual aid agreements with other states and with the federal government provided that any special agreements so negotiated are within the Governor's authority.

(a1) The Governor may establish mutual aid agreements with political subdivisions in the State with the concurrence of the subdivision's governing body.

(b) The chief executive of each political subdivision, with the concurrence of the subdivision's governing body, may develop mutual aid agreements for reciprocal emergency management aid and assistance. Such agreements shall be consistent with the State emergency management program and plans.

(c) The chief executive officer of each political subdivision, with the concurrence of the governing body and subject to the approval of the Governor, may enter into mutual aid agreements with local chief executive officers in other states for reciprocal emergency management aid and assistance. These agreements shall be consistent with the State emergency management program and plans.

(d) Mutual aid agreements may include but are not limited to the furnishing or exchange of such supplies, equipment, facilities, personnel and services as may be needed; the reimbursement of costs and expenses for equipment, supplies, personnel and similar items; and on such terms and conditions as deemed necessary."

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