

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1013

Short Title: Airport Prop. Purchase/NCEPA Waiver. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Torbett, Iler, Presnell, and Shepard (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Environment

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO WAIVE THE
3 NORTH CAROLINA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NCEPA) ENVIRONMENTAL
4 DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ACQUISITIONS OF PROPERTY FOR
5 FUTURE AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSE SELECT
6 COMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND LONG TERM
7 FUNDING SOLUTIONS.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, the
10 Department of Transportation shall not require environmental documentation under the North
11 Carolina Environmental Policy Act from any airport meeting all of the following requirements:

- 12 (1) The airport is acquiring 40 acres or less of property for future airport
13 development.
14 (2) The airport is located in a county with a population of greater than 900,000
15 people, according to the most recent decennial federal census.
16 (3) The airport has a total annual enplanement of over 20,000,000 passengers,
17 according to the most recent data provided by the Federal Aviation
18 Administration.

19 **SECTION 2.** The Department may adopt temporary rules to implement the
20 provisions of this act. Any temporary rules adopted in accordance with this section shall remain
21 in effect until permanent rules that replace the temporary rules become effective.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and expires July 1, 2020.

