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HOUSE BILL 120
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/21/19

Short Title: Clarify Fire District Funding Eligibility.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 21, 2019

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY ELIGIBLE USES OF FIRE PROTECTION TAX REVENUES.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 SECTION 1. G.S. 69-25.5 reads as rewritten:

5 "§ 69-25.5. Methods of providing fire protection.

6 (a) Upon the levy of such tax, the board of county commissioners shall, to the extent of
7 the taxes collected hereunder, provide fire protection for the ~~district~~ district by doing one of the
8 following:

- 9 (1) ~~By contracting~~ Contracting with any incorporated city or town, with any
10 incorporated nonprofit volunteer or community fire department, or with the
11 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to furnish fire ~~protection,~~
12 ~~or protection.~~
13 (2) ~~By furnishing~~ Furnishing fire protection itself if the county maintains an
14 organized fire ~~department, or~~ department.
15 (3) ~~By establishing~~ Establishing a fire ~~department~~ department within the ~~district,~~
16 ~~or district.~~
17 (4) ~~By utilizing~~ Utilizing any two or more of the above listed methods of
18 furnishing fire protection.

19 (b) A fire department must meet the minimum public protection requirements established
20 by the Office of State Fire Marshall of the Department of Insurance in order to receive any portion
21 of the tax levied and collected under G.S. 69-25.4."

22 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2019, and applies to taxes collected
23 on or after that date.



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