GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 29
State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 5/6/25

Short Title: Onslow - Delegate Rezoning Authority. (Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 3, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW ONSLOW COUNTY TO DELEGATE REZONING AUTHORITY TO THE PLANNING BOARD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 160D-602 reads as rewritten:

"**§ 160D-602. Notice of hearing on proposed zoning map amendments.**

…

(f) Delegation. – The governing board may, by ordinance, delegate to the planning board the authority to conduct the hearing required under this Article and make the final decision on zoning map amendment proposals, including the adoption of a consistency statement pursuant to this Article. The governing board may prescribe procedures for the hearing that are not inconsistent with this Article. The planning board shall make its final decision by majority vote of the members of the planning board. Any person with standing may appeal a decision of the planning board made pursuant to this subsection to the governing board by providing written notice to the clerk to the governing board within 15 days of the final decision. On appeal, the governing board shall review the decision of the planning board de novo. If no notice of appeal of the planning board decision is provided within 15 days of the final decision, then the decision of the planning board shall be final and equivalent to the final decision of the governing board. The governing board may, by ordinance, rescind or modify any authority delegated to the planning board pursuant to this subsection."

SECTION 2. This act applies to Onslow County.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.