



# SENATE BILL 301: DOT/Purchase of Contaminated Land.-AB

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<b>Committee:</b>	Senate Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary I	<b>Date:</b>	April 13, 2015
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**SUMMARY:** *Senate Bill 301 exempts DOT from the State law prohibition on State purchase of contaminated property, unless approved of the Governor and the Council of State.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Under current G.S. 133-40, the State and the Community College System are prohibited from purchasing any real property with known contamination<sup>1</sup>, unless they obtain the approval of the Governor and the Council of State.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 301 exempts the Department of Transportation from the prohibition on the State purchase of contaminated property for State Transportation projects.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act is effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** According to Mike Holder, Chief Engineer, Division of Highways, DOT is buying contaminated properties only when necessary for DOT construction projects.

<sup>1</sup> "Contamination" is defined in G.S. 130A -310.65 and -310.67.

