



# HOUSE BILL 117: OIB/Topsail Beach Parking Fees.

2025-2026 General Assembly

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**OVERVIEW:** House Bill 117 would authorize the towns of Ocean Isle Beach and Topsail Beach to expand the use of proceeds collected from on-street parking meters.

**CURRENT LAW:** Cities in North Carolina may use proceeds from parking meters on public streets only to defray the cost of enforcing and administering traffic and parking ordinances and regulations. Proceeds collected from off-street parking facilities may be pledged to amortize bonds issued to finance such facilities or may be used for any other public purpose (G.S. 160A-301).

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 117 would authorize the towns of Ocean Isle Beach and Topsail Beach to use proceeds from charging for on-street parking for any public purpose.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** House Bill 117 would be effective when it becomes law.

**BACKGROUND:** The General Assembly has granted the following municipalities the authority to use the proceeds from parking meters on public streets for any public purpose: Atlantic Beach (S.L. 2011-79); Beaufort (S.L. 2011-79); Carolina Beach (S.L. 2001-9); Holden Beach (S.L. 2022-38); Kure Beach (S.L. 2001-9); Sunset Beach (S.L. 2016-9); Surf City (S.L. 2021-46); Wrightsville Beach (S.L. 1998-86); Wilmington (S.L. 2001-9).

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