

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHATHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA OPPOSING THE "PUBLIC HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN" AS CONTAINED IN SENATE BILL 202

Whereas, Section 10.26 of Senate bill 202 contains a provision entitled "Public Health Improvement Plan", and

Whereas, the Public Health Improvement Plan was proposed with no input from local government officials or local and State public health professionals, and

Whereas, the plan sets out an unreasonable timeline for such reform of the current public health system, and

Whereas, the plan calls for no additional public health funding, rather a redistribution of the existing, insufficient funds with no defined distribution formulas, and

Whereas, the plan calls for the creation of a Public Health Improvement Plan Task Force which is a duplication of the existing Public Health Task Force, and

Whereas, many North Carolina counties are in the process of rebuilding the Mental Health infrastructure requiring greater contributions of local funds, and

Whereas, the same North Carolina counties can ill afford alteration of the public health infrastructure requiring greater local funding to provide core public health services, and

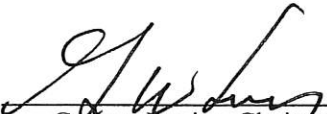
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that:

Section 1. Chatham County Board of Commissioners is opposed to Section 10.26 of Senate Bill 202 or any other budget provision entitled "Public Health Improvement Plan" and stands opposed to any efforts to reform public health absent appropriate planning and input from local government officials and local public health professionals.

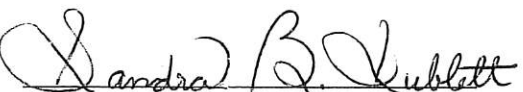
Section 2. The Clerk to the Board is directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Senator Bob Atwater and Speaker Joe Hackney.

Section 3. This resolution is effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this 1st day of June, 2009.


George Lucier, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners