

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 182

AN ACT TO MAKE EFFECTIVE STATEWIDE A LOCAL ACT PROVIDING THAT A LIST OF THE E-MAIL ADDRESSES OF PERSONS SUBSCRIBING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT E-MAIL LISTS IS OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION BUT IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MAY USE THAT LIST ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE THAT IT WAS SUBSCRIBED TO.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 132-1.13 reads as rewritten:

"§ 132-1.13. Electronic lists of subscribers ~~in certain named localities~~ open for inspection but not available for copying.

(a) Notwithstanding this chapter, when a unit of local government maintains an electronic mail list of individual subscribers, this chapter does not require that unit of local government to provide a copy of the list. The list shall be available for public inspection in either printed or electronic format or both as the unit of local government elects.

(b) If a unit of local government maintains an electronic mail list of individual subscribers, the unit of local government and its employees and officers may use that list only: (i) for the purpose for which it was subscribed to; (ii) to notify subscribers of an emergency to the public health or public safety; or (iii) in case of deletion of that list, to notify subscribers of the existence of any similar lists to subscribe to.

(c) ~~This section applies only to Wake and Yadkin Counties, the City of Raleigh, and the Towns of Apex, Cary, Fuquay Varina, Garner, Holly Springs, Knightdale, Morrisville, Rolesville, Wake Forest, Wendell, and Zebulon."~~

SECTION 2. This is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 21st day of April, 2011.

s/ Walter H. Dalton
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
Governor

Approved 9:50 a.m. this 28th day of April, 2011

