

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2025

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SENATE BILL 841

Short Title: Garner/Town Manager Auth. Settle Claims. (Local)

Sponsors: Senators Grafstein and Blue (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

April 28, 2026

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER OF GARNER TO SETTLE CERTAIN  
3 CLAIMS OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS OR LESS AND CERTAIN EMINENT  
4 DOMAIN CLAIMS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 6.2 of the Charter of the Town of Garner, being Chapter 333  
7 of the 1977 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

8 "Sec. 6.2. Settlement of claims. The ~~board of aldermen~~ town council may authorize the town  
9 manager to settle the following claims against involving the town-town:

- 10 (1) ~~for personal~~ Personal injury or damage to property damage claims when the  
11 amount involved does not exceed the sum of ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~  
12 ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained,  
13 including loss of time, medical expenses, and any other expense actually  
14 incurred.
- 15 (2) Eminent domain claims filed by the town when the amount involved does not  
16 exceed the amount budgeted for property or easement acquisition for the  
17 approved capital improvement project.
- 18 (3) Claims made by the town for debts owed to the town when the amount  
19 involved does not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

20 All ~~such~~ settlements pursuant to this section shall be approved by the town ~~attorney~~ attorney  
21 and reported to the town council in a timely manner. Settlement of a claim by the town manager  
22 pursuant to this section shall constitute a complete release of the town from all damages sustained  
23 by a person involved in the settlement arising out of the same claim."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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