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HOUSE BILL 890
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Short Title: Wake Tree Ordinances.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN CITIES IN WAKE COUNTY TO ADOPT
ORDINANCES REGULATING REMOVAL, REPLACEMENT, AND
PRESERVATION OF TREES AND SHRUBS WITHIN THE CITY AND AREAS
WITHIN EACH CITY'S EXTRATERRITORIAL PLANNING JURISDICTION.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. In order to preserve and enhance one of the most valuable natural resources of the community and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, a municipality may adopt ordinances to regulate the planting, removal, and preservation of trees and shrubs on public and private property within the municipality.

Section 2. Prior to adopting an ordinance authorized by Section 1 of this act, a public hearing shall be held before the municipality's governing board. Notice of the hearing shall be given in accordance with G.S. 160A-364.

Section 3. This act shall apply only to the cities of Cary and Apex and to areas within each of those cities' extraterritorial planning jurisdiction under Article 19 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.

Section 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.