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Division of Environmental Health



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Dear Mr. Sands:

I hope this reply arrives in time to assist you in planning your trip to North Carolina.

When I read your letter, I was unaware of any public health law in North Carolina that required footwear in public places. I asked my staff to look into whether there might be other North Carolina Statutes that apply. The information I have received indicates that the NC General Statutes does not include references to bare feet in public places. Businesses that require shoes are doing so for other purposes, not as a requirement of Public Health Law.

I hope this information will help you enjoy your visit to our great state.

Sincerely,



Terry L. Pierce
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