

# **NC Association of Local Health Directors 2009 Legislative Agenda**

- ♦ **Seek an increase of \$18.2 million recurring funds for local health departments to provide the 10 essential services to improve the public's health**
- ♦ **Seek to provide County Boards of Health the authority to set/collect local fees for food and lodging inspections with approval by County Board of Commissioners**
- ♦ **Seek to limit VOC testing of new private drinking water wells to a risk based basis as determined by the local health director**
- ♦ **Seek an increase of \$2 million in recurring funds for Incubator "project innovation, replication and expansion"**
- ♦ **Support funding for Childhood Obesity Prevention**
- ♦ **Support increasing the cigarette tax by \$1.00**
- ♦ **Support legislation that would require all NC workplaces and public places smokefree**
- ♦ **Support correcting inequity between Local Health Agencies which enforce more stringent local rules and Agencies which enforce state rules only by providing tort claim protection or legal representation by the AG's Office and by providing their employees with Delegation of Authority by the Department**

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