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**Applicant: Gaston County Planning Board** 

Request: To amend Chapter 2 (Definitions), Table 2.7-1 - the definition of "Dwelling, Small House" to allow for a structure no greater than 1,000 sqft.



## BACKGROUND

- North Carolina Housing Finance Agency requires two-bedroom dwelling units to have a minimum of 850 heated square feet to qualify for financing.
- Current definition restricts small homes to 800 sqft which would restrict financing options for this dwelling type



## **ORIGINAL PROPOSAL**

• Increase size to 850 sqft.

## **AMENDED PROPOSAL**

- Increase size to 1,000 sqft.
- Remove references to "tiny homes" and "tiny houses"



TABLE 2.7-1 DEFINED TERMS		
Term	Use Table	Definition
	Subcategory*	
Dwelling, Small House		A "Dwelling, Single-family Detached", also known as "tiny homes" or "tiny houses",that is no greater than 800-1,000 square feet, constructed or assembled onsite, and meets applicable NC State Building Code requirements.

