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HOUSE DRH40334-ML-159A (03/13)

Short Title: Study/Autonomous Vehicles. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative L. Hall.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO STUDY HOW TO  
3 IMPLEMENT AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY ON THE ROADS AND  
4 HIGHWAYS OF THIS STATE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Definition. – The term "autonomous vehicle technology" means  
7 technology that is installed on a motor vehicle and that has the capability to drive the motor  
8 vehicle without the active control or monitoring of a human operator.

9 **SECTION 2.** Study. – The Division of Motor Vehicles, in collaboration with other  
10 interested stakeholders identified by the Division, shall study how to implement autonomous  
11 vehicle technology on the roads and highways of this State. In conducting the study under this  
12 act, the Division shall consider all of the following:

- 13 (1) The measures necessary to successfully implement autonomous vehicle  
14 technology, including any legislative changes.  
15 (2) Complications or liabilities that could arise by allowing autonomous vehicle  
16 technology.  
17 (3) How autonomous vehicle technology can promote research and development  
18 in this State.  
19 (4) Any other matters the Division deems relevant.

20 **SECTION 3.** Report. – The Department shall report its findings and  
21 recommendations, including any legislative proposals, to the Joint Legislative Transportation  
22 Oversight Committee no later than February 1, 2016.

23 **SECTION 4.** Effective Date. – This act is effective when it becomes law.



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