

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 509

Short Title: Motor Vehicle Inspection Failure/Reinspection. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Brown; Allran, Apodaca, Atwater, Berger of Rockingham, Brunstetter, Goodall, Hartsell, Jacumin, Jenkins, Pittenger, Preston, Smith, Snow, and Weinstein.

Referred to: Finance.

March 6, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PERIOD OF TIME ALLOWED FOR REINSPECTION
OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AFTER A FAILURE TO MEET LAWFUL
STANDARDS IN AN INITIAL MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-183.7(a) reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-183.7. Fees for performing an inspection and putting an inspection sticker on a vehicle; use of civil penalties.

(a) **(Effective until July 1, 2007)** Fee Amount. – When a fee applies to an inspection of a vehicle or the issuance of an inspection sticker, the fee must be collected. The following fees apply to an inspection of a vehicle and the issuance of an inspection sticker:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Inspection</u>	<u>Sticker</u>
Safety Only	\$ 8.25	\$0.85
Emissions and Safety	23.50	6.50.

The fee for performing an inspection of a vehicle applies when an inspection is performed, regardless of whether the vehicle passes the inspection. The fee for an inspection sticker applies when an inspection sticker is put on a vehicle. The fee for inspecting after-factory tinted windows shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), and the fee applies only to an inspection performed with a light meter after a safety inspection mechanic determined that the window had after-factory tint. A safety inspection mechanic shall not inspect an after-factory tinted window of a vehicle for which the Division has issued a medical exception permit pursuant to G.S. 20-127(f).

1 A vehicle that is inspected at an inspection station and fails the inspection is entitled
 2 to be reinspected at the same station at any time within ~~30~~60 days of the failed
 3 inspection without paying another inspection fee.

4 The inspection fee for an emissions and safety inspection set out in this subsection is
 5 the maximum amount that an inspection station or an inspection mechanic may charge
 6 for an emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. An inspection station or an
 7 inspection mechanic may charge the maximum amount or any lesser amount for an
 8 emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. The inspection fee for a safety only
 9 inspection set out in this subsection may not be increased or decreased. The sticker fees
 10 set out in this subsection may not be increased or decreased.

11 (a) **(Effective July 1, 2007)** Fee Amount. – When a fee applies to an inspection
 12 of a vehicle or the issuance of an inspection sticker, the fee must be collected. The
 13 following fees apply to an inspection of a vehicle and the issuance of an inspection
 14 sticker:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Inspection</u>	<u>Sticker</u>
Safety Only	\$ 8.25	\$0.85
Emissions and Safety	23.75	6.25.

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 20 The fee for performing an inspection of a vehicle applies when an inspection is
 21 performed, regardless of whether the vehicle passes the inspection. The fee for an
 22 inspection sticker applies when an inspection sticker is put on a vehicle. The fee for an
 23 inspection sticker does not apply to a replacement inspection sticker for use on a
 24 windshield replaced by a business registered with the Division pursuant to
 25 G.S. 20-183.6. The fee for inspecting after-factory tinted windows shall be ten dollars
 26 (\$10.00), and the fee applies only to an inspection performed with a light meter after a
 27 safety inspection mechanic determined that the window had after-factory tint. A safety
 28 inspection mechanic shall not inspect an after-factory tinted window of a vehicle for
 29 which the Division has issued a medical exception permit pursuant to G.S. 20-127(f).

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 35 for an emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. An inspection station or an
 36 inspection mechanic may charge the maximum amount or any lesser amount for an
 37 emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. The inspection fee for a safety only
 38 inspection set out in this subsection may not be increased or decreased. The sticker fees
 39 set out in this subsection may not be increased or decreased.

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41 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.