NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 802

SHORT TITLE: Recyclable Weight Penalty

SPONSOR(S): Representatives DeVane; and R. Hunter

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase () Decrease ()

Revenues: Increase () Decrease (X)

No Impact ()

No Estimate Available ()

FUND AFFECTED: General Fund () Highway Fund (X) Local Govt. ()
Other Funds ()

BILL SUMMARY: The bill provides that vehicles hauling recyclable materials shall be subject to one-half the current overweight penalties if these vehicles are hauling recyclable materials from a point of origin to a processing site. Three penalties are referenced in the bill:

- 1. for weights in excess of registered licensed weight,
- 2. for weights in excess of maximum allowable road weight, and
- 3. for weights in excess of maximum allowable axle weight

"Recyclable material" is defined as materials which are capable of being recycled and which would otherwise be processed or disposed of as solid waste. "Processing" is defined as any technique designed to change the physical, chemical, or biological character or composition of any solid waste so as to render it safe for transport; amenable to recovery, storage or recycling; safe for disposal; or reduced in volume or concentration.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon ratification

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation

FISCAL IMPACT

<u>FY94</u> <u>FY95</u> <u>FY96</u> <u>FY97</u>

REVENUES

GENERAL FUND For every 100 vehicles cited, there would be **HIGHWAY FUND** a loss of \$15,000 to the Highway Fund, i.e.

HIGHWAY TRUST FUND an average loss of \$150 per vehicle.

LOCAL

EXPENDITURES None

POSITIONS: None

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Average overload per citation for road weight overload and axle-weight overload were calculated from annual data on number of citations and total poundage overload per type of citation. The average citation was calculated at \$290, rounded up to \$300 per citation.

One-half of this average is equal to a revenue loss of \$150 per vehicle under this new exemption.

SOURCES OF DATA: Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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