

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH30285-Maf-67A (05/04)

Short Title: Tinted Window Inspections. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Allred.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MODIFY INSPECTION FEES AND PROCEDURES FOR
AFTER-FACTORY ADDED WINDOW TINTING DURING SAFETY AND
EMISSIONS INSPECTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

"(a) 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). A safety inspection mechanic shall not inspect an after-factory tinted window of a vehicle that has been inspected pursuant to G.S. 20-183.3 and found to be in compliance with the window tinting provisions of G.S. 20-127. No subsequent inspection shall be required so long as the same individual owns the vehicle. Any change in ownership shall require an inspection

1 under G.S. 20-183.3, prior to the current inspection sticker expiring, and the payment of
2 the fee for an after-factory window tint inspection required by this section.

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

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

13 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2005.