

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1073

Short Title: MV Applications and Fees From Dealers.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Cole, Hiatt; and Buchanan.

Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Finance.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT DEALERS HAVE TEN WORKING DAYS TO SEND MOTOR VEHICLE TITLE APPLICATIONS AND FEES TO THE STATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-79.1(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) ~~A dealer shall not issue, assign, transfer, or deliver temporary registration plates or markers to anyone other than a bona fide purchaser or owner of a vehicle being sold by such dealer, nor shall a dealer issue a temporary registration plate or marker without first obtaining from said purchaser or owner a written application for the titling and registration of the purchased vehicle with the prescribed fees therefor, which application and fees the said dealer shall immediately forward to the Division by mail or messenger or by messenger to a local license agency; nor shall a dealer issue a temporary registration plate to anyone purchasing a vehicle that has unexpired registration plates, which registration plates are to be transferred to such purchaser; nor shall a dealer lend to anyone or use on any vehicle that he may own, temporary registration plates or markers: Provided that dealers are hereby authorized to issue temporary markers to nonresidents for the purpose of removing a vehicle purchased in this State, without collecting a registration fee or requiring an application for titling and registration. It shall be unlawful for any person to issue any temporary registration plate or marker containing any misstatement of fact or knowingly insert any false information upon the face thereof.~~

1 (d) A dealer shall:

2 (1) Not issue, assign, transfer, or deliver temporary registration plates or
3 markers to anyone other than a bona fide purchaser or owner of a
4 vehicle which he has sold.

5 (2) Not issue a temporary registration plate or marker without first
6 obtaining from the purchaser or owner a written application for titling
7 and registration of the vehicle and the applicable fees.

8 (3) Within 10 working days, mail or deliver the application and fees to the
9 Division or deliver the application and fees to a local license agency for
10 processing. Delivery need not be made if the contract for sale has been
11 rescinded in writing by all parties to the contract.

12 (4) Not deliver a temporary registration plate to anyone purchasing a
13 vehicle that has an unexpired registration plate that is to be transferred
14 to the purchaser.

15 (5) Not lend to anyone, or use on any vehicle that he may own, any
16 temporary registration plates or markers.

17 A dealer may issue temporary markers, without obtaining the written application for
18 titling and registration or collecting the applicable fees, to nonresidents for the purpose of
19 removing the vehicle from the State."

20 Section 2. G.S. 20-79.1(e) reads as rewritten:

21 "(e) Every dealer who issues temporary plates or markers shall ~~insert~~ write clearly
22 and indelibly on the face of ~~each~~ the temporary registration plate or ~~marker~~ marker:

23 (1) ~~the date~~ The dates of issuance and expiration, expiration;

24 (2) ~~the~~ The make, motor number, and serial numbers of the vehicle for which
25 issued and vehicle; and

26 (3) ~~such~~ Any other information as that the Division may require.

27 It shall be unlawful for any person to issue a temporary registration plate or marker
28 containing any misstatement of fact or to knowingly write any false information on the
29 face of the plate or marker."

30 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.