

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1229

Short Title: Darker Vehicle Window For Lupus.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Culpepper; and Culp.

Referred to: Judiciary II, if favorable, Finance.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO ALLOW A PERSON WHO SUFFERS FROM LUPUS TO HAVE A
3 DARKER VEHICLE WINDOW THAN IS ALLOWED UNDER THE WINDOW
4 TINTING LAWS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 20-127 reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 20-127. Windows and windshield wipers.**

8 (a) Windshield Wipers. – A vehicle that is operated on a highway and has a
9 windshield must have a windshield wiper to clear rain or other substances from the
10 windshield in front of the driver of the vehicle and the windshield wiper must be in good
11 working order. If a vehicle has more than one windshield wiper to clear substances from
12 the windshield, all the windshield wipers must be in good working order.

13 (b) Window Tinting Restrictions. – A window of a vehicle that is operated on a
14 highway or a public vehicular area must comply with this subsection. The windshield of
15 the vehicle may be tinted only along the top of the windshield and the tinting may not
16 extend more than five inches below the top of the windshield or below the AS1 line of
17 the windshield, whichever measurement is longer. Any other window of the vehicle may
18 be tinted in accordance with the following restrictions:

19 (1) The total light transmission of the tinted window must be at least thirty-
20 five percent (35%). A vehicle window that, by use of a light meter

- 1 approved by the Commissioner, measures a total light transmission of
2 more than thirty-two percent (32%) is conclusively presumed to meet
3 this restriction.
- 4 (2) The light reflectance of the tinted window must be twenty percent
5 (20%) or less.
- 6 (3) Tinted film or another material used to tint the window must be
7 nonreflective and must be a color other than red, yellow, or amber.