

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 655

Short Title: Increase Drivers License Restoration Fee. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Jones.

Referred to: Finance.

March 19, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FEE FOR THE RESTORATION OF DRIVERS LICENSES
3 TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE FORENSIC TESTS FOR ALCOHOL BRANCH OF
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-16.5(j) reads as rewritten:

7 "(j) Costs. – Unless the magistrate or judge orders the revocation rescinded, a person
8 whose license is revoked under this section must pay a fee of ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~
9 one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) as costs for the action before the person's license
10 may be returned under subsection (h) of this section. ~~Fifty percent (50%) dollars (\$50.00)~~ of the
11 costs collected under this section shall be credited to the General Fund. ~~Twenty five percent~~
12 ~~(25%)~~ Fifty dollars (\$50.00) of the costs collected under this section shall be used to fund a
13 statewide chemical alcohol testing program administered by the ~~Injury Control Section~~ Forensic
14 Tests for Alcohol Branch of the Department of Health and Human Services. The remaining
15 twenty-five ~~percent (25%)~~ dollars (\$25.00) of the costs collected under this section shall be
16 remitted to the county for the sole purpose of reimbursing the county for jail expenses incurred
17 due to enforcement of the impaired driving laws."

18 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2009, and applies to
19 restorations of licenses occurring on or after that date.

