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HOUSE BILL DRH40112-NE-47

Short Title: Increase Vehicle Safety Inspection Fee. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Penny.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT INCREASING THE FEE FOR PERFORMING A VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-183.7 reads as rewritten:
5 "**§ 20-183.7. Fees for performing an inspection and issuing an electronic inspection**
6 **authorization to a vehicle; use of civil penalties.**

7 (a) Fee Amount. – When a fee applies to an inspection of a vehicle or the issuance of an
8 electronic inspection authorization, the fee must be collected. The following fees apply to an
9 inspection of a vehicle and the issuance of an electronic inspection authorization:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Inspection</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
Safety Only	\$12.75\$29.15	\$.85
Emissions and Safety	23.7540.15	6.25.

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13 The fee for performing an inspection of a vehicle applies when an inspection is performed,
14 regardless of whether the vehicle passes the inspection. The fee for an electronic inspection
15 authorization applies when an electronic inspection authorization is issued to a vehicle. The fee
16 for inspecting after-factory tinted windows shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), and the fee applies only
17 to an inspection performed with a light meter after a safety inspection mechanic determined that
18 the window had after-factory tint. A safety inspection mechanic shall not inspect an after-factory
19 tinted window of a vehicle for which the Division has issued a medical exception permit pursuant
20 to G.S. 20-127(f).

21 A vehicle that is inspected at an inspection station and fails the inspection is entitled to be
22 reinspected at the same station at any time within 60 days of the failed inspection without paying
23 another inspection fee.

24 The inspection fee for an emissions and safety inspection set out in this subsection is the
25 maximum amount that an inspection station or an inspection mechanic may charge for an
26 emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. An inspection station or an inspection mechanic
27 may charge the maximum amount or any lesser amount for an emissions and safety inspection
28 of a vehicle. The inspection fee for a safety only inspection set out in this subsection may not be
29 increased or decreased. The authorization fees set out in this subsection may not be increased or
30 decreased.

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32 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2025.

