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HOUSE BILL 566

Short Title: Mattress Transport on Vehicle Roof Prohibited. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Zachary and Watford (Primary Sponsors).  
*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

April 15, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CARRYING A MATTRESS ON THE ROOF OF A PASSENGER  
VEHICLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-116 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(q) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, a passenger vehicle may not operate on the highways of this State with a mattress loaded on top of the roof of the passenger vehicle. For purposes of this subsection, the term "passenger vehicle" means a motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of less than 10,000 pounds that is designed primarily for the transportation of persons. This subsection does not apply to the transport of a mattress secured in a truck's rear cargo area that is designed primarily for the transportation of property."

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2021, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

