

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1973 SESSION

CHAPTER 858  
SENATE BILL 1112

AN ACT TO GRANT TO THE COMMISSIONER LIMITED POWER TO EXTEND USE OF  
REGISTRATION PLATES IN EMERGENCIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** From February 10, 1974, through April 1, 1974, G.S. 20-65 is hereby amended by striking the "comma" appearing immediately after the word "inclusive" and immediately before the word "if" appearing in line seven thereof by inserting the following words and punctuation immediately after the word "inclusive" and immediately before the word "if" in line seven: "or where an emergency exists for such additional time and under such conditions as the Commissioner with the approval of the Governor may prescribe,". After amended, G.S. 20-65 will read:

"§ 20-65. **Expiration of registration.** — Every vehicle registration under this Article and every registration card and registration plate issued hereunder shall expire at midnight on the 31st day of December of each year: Provided, however, that it shall not be unlawful to continue to operate any vehicle upon the highways of this State after the expiration of the registration of said vehicle, registration card and registration plate during the period between the 31st day of December and the 15th day of February, inclusive, or where an emergency exists for such additional time and under such conditions as the Commissioner with the approval of the Governor may prescribe, if the license plate is registered to the vehicle on which it is being used prior to the 31st day of December."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 14th day of February, 1974.