

April 10, 2003

H 1140. NORTH CAROLINA 'QUICK CLEARANCE' ACT. TO AUTHORIZE THE QUICK REMOVAL OF VEHICLES, SPILLED CARGO, OR OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM CONTROLLED-ACCESS HIGHWAYS. Creates new Part 9B of GS Ch. 20 authorizing Dep't of Crime Control and Public Safety, the Dep't of Transportation, or local law enforcement agencies to immediately remove damaged or unattended vehicles, spilled cargo, or other personal property from controlled-access highway roadway if it is creating a traffic hazard or obstruction, and place them within immediate vicinity. Requires that agency make a reasonable effort to allow motor carrier owner to arrange for its removal and to notify the owner of spilled cargo or personal property and allow owner at least 48 hours to claim property. Authorizes agencies to require that owners of vehicles, spilled cargo, or personal property pay costs incurred in their removal and disposition.

Intro. by Allred, Coates.

Ref. to Transportation	GS 20
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April 23, 2003

H 1140. NORTH CAROLINA 'QUICK CLEARANCE' ACT. Intro. 4/10/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends proposed new GS 20-137.21(c) to allow owner of spilled cargo or personal property at least two business days (original bill, 48 hours) to make notification that owner intends to claim cargo or personal property.

April 30, 2003

H 1140. NORTH CAROLINA 'QUICK CLEARANCE' ACT. Intro. 4/10/03. House amendments make the following changes to 1st edition. Amend GS 20-166 to require that vehicles involved in certain collisions be moved as soon as possible out of the travel lane and onto the shoulder or to a designated accident investigation site. Only applies when vehicles can be normally and safely driven, and when the accident results in no injuries or deaths and property damage less than \$1,000. Makes a technical change.

June 4, 2003

H 1140. NORTH CAROLINA 'QUICK CLEARANCE' ACT. Intro. 4/10/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Deletes new Part 9B of Ch. 20, Art. 3, and incorporates provisions authorizing removal of certain vehicles or cargo from controlled access highways and requiring vehicle or cargo owner to pay for costs of removal into new GS 20-161(f) and (g). Deletes requirement that law enforcement agency make reasonable efforts to notify the owner of vehicle or cargo of its removal. Provides that no governmental entity or agent shall be held criminally or civilly liable for damages related to removal (was, liability shall be determined in accordance with GS 153A-435 or 160A-485). Deletes GS 20-166(c2)(2), authorizing removal of vehicle involved in accident from travel lane only when accident results in property damage of less than \$1,000. Effective Oct. 1, 2003.