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SENATE DRS65139-LK-101 (3/18)

Short Title: Contract Agency Compensation.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hoyle.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO SET THE COMPENSATION PAID BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR
VEHICLES TO CONTRACT AGENCIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-63(h) reads as rewritten:

"(h) Commission Contracts for Issuance of Plates and Certificates. – All registration plates, registration certificates, and certificates of title issued by the Division, outside of those issued from the Raleigh offices of the Division and those issued and handled through the United States mail, shall be issued insofar as practicable and possible through commission contracts entered into by the Division for the issuance of the plates and certificates in localities throughout North Carolina with persons, firms, corporations or governmental subdivisions of the State of North Carolina. The Division shall make a reasonable effort in every locality, except as noted above, to enter into a commission contract for the issuance of the plates and certificates and a record of these efforts shall be maintained in the Division. In the event the Division is unsuccessful in making commission contracts, it shall issue the plates and certificates through the regular employees of the Division. Whenever registration plates, registration certificates, and certificates of title are issued by the Division through commission contract arrangements, the Division shall provide proper supervision of the distribution. Nothing contained in this subsection will allow or permit the operation of fewer outlets in any county in this State than are now being operated.

Commission contracts entered into by the Division under this subsection shall provide for the payment of compensation on a per transaction basis. The commission contracts shall set forth what services are included in each transaction category. The collection of the highway use tax shall be considered a separate transaction for which one dollar and twenty seven cents (\$1.27) compensation shall be paid. The performance at the same time of one or more of the remaining transactions listed in this subsection

1 shall be considered a single transaction for which one dollar and forty three cents
 2 (\$1.43) compensation shall be paid.

3 A transaction is any of the following activities:

- 4 (1) Issuance of a registration plate, a registration card, a registration
 5 renewal sticker, or a certificate of title.
- 6 (2) Issuance of a handicapped placard or handicapped identification card.
- 7 (3) Acceptance of an application for a personalized registration plate.
- 8 (4) Acceptance of a surrendered registration plate, registration card, or
 9 registration renewal sticker, or acceptance of an affidavit stating why a
 10 person cannot surrender a registration plate, registration card, or
 11 registration renewal sticker.
- 12 (5) Cancellation of a title because the vehicle has been junked.
- 13 (6) Acceptance of an application for, or issuance of, a refund for a fee or a
 14 tax, other than the highway use tax.
- 15 (7) Receipt of the civil penalty imposed by G.S. 20-309 for a lapse in
 16 financial responsibility or receipt of the restoration fee imposed by that
 17 statute.
- 18 (8) Acceptance of a notice of failure to maintain financial responsibility
 19 for a motor vehicle.
- 20 (8a) Collection of civil penalties imposed for violations of G.S. 20-183.8A.
- 21 (8b) Sale of one or more inspection stickers in a single transaction to a
 22 licensed inspection station.
- 23 (9) Collection of the highway use tax.
- 24 (10) Acceptance of a temporary lien filing.

25 The following compensation shall be paid for the following categories of
 26 transactions:

27	<u>Title transactions</u>	<u>\$2.97</u>
28	<u>Registration transactions</u>	<u>\$1.38</u>
29	<u>Customer service transactions</u>	<u>\$1.48</u>
30	<u>International registration plan and motor carrier transactions</u>	<u>\$1.64."</u>

31 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2003.