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Short Title: Center for Motorcycle Safety and Crash Prev. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Brunstetter.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR  
THE STUDY OF MOTORCYCLE SAFETY AND CRASH PREVENTION AND  
TO ADJUST MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATION FEES TO PROVIDE FUNDING  
FOR THIS ACT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 116-43.2. Center for the Study of Motorcycle Safety.**

(a) The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina is hereby authorized and directed to establish "The University of North Carolina Center for the Study of Motorcycle Safety and Crash Prevention" (hereinafter called "the Center"). It shall be the function of the Center, through itself or agencies with which it may contract, to establish a research agenda, conduct research studies, and disseminate the results of studies related to the prevention of motorcycle crashes and to develop and disseminate awareness and education programs directed toward reducing motorcyclist fatalities on North Carolina's highways.

(b) The chief administrative officer of the Center shall be a director, who shall be elected by the Board of Governors upon recommendation of the President and who shall be responsible to the President. The Center shall have such other staff as the Board of Governors may authorize."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-87(6) reads as rewritten:

"(6) Private Motorcycles. – The base fee on private passenger motorcycles shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00); except that when a motorcycle is equipped with an additional form of device designed to transport persons or property, the base fee shall be twenty-two dollars (\$22.00). An additional fee of ~~three dollars (\$3.00)~~five dollars (\$5.00) is

1 imposed on each private motorcycle registered under this subdivision  
2 in addition to the base fee. The revenue from the additional fee, ~~in~~  
3 ~~addition to any other funds appropriated for this purpose, fee~~ shall be  
4 used to fund the ~~Motorcycle Safety Instruction Program~~ created in  
5 ~~G.S. 115D-72~~ in the following manner:

6 a. Three dollars (\$3.00) from each motorcycle registration  
7 additional fee shall be used to fund the Motorcycle Safety  
8 Instruction Program created in G.S. 115D-72.

9 b. Two dollars (\$2.00) from each motorcycle registration  
10 additional fee shall be used to fund the North Carolina Center  
11 for Motorcycle Safety established pursuant to G.S. 116-43.2.

12 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.