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HOUSE BILL 123
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/5/19

Short Title: Raise Vehicle Safety Inspection Fee.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 21, 2019

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO RAISE THE VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION FEE.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-183.7(a) reads as rewritten:

5 "(a) Fee Amount. – When a fee applies to an inspection of a vehicle or the issuance of an
6 electronic inspection authorization, the fee must be collected. The following fees apply to an
7 inspection of a vehicle and the issuance of an electronic inspection authorization:

8 <u>Type</u>	9 <u>Inspection</u>	10 <u>Authorization</u>
11 Safety Only	12 \$12.75 \$13.75	13 \$.85
14 Emissions and Safety	15 23.75	16 6.25.

17 The fee for performing an inspection of a vehicle applies when an inspection is performed,
18 regardless of whether the vehicle passes the inspection. The fee for an electronic inspection
19 authorization applies when an electronic inspection authorization is issued to a vehicle. The fee
20 for inspecting after-factory tinted windows shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), and the fee applies only
21 to an inspection performed with a light meter after a safety inspection mechanic determined that
22 the window had after-factory tint. A safety inspection mechanic shall not inspect an after-factory
23 tinted window of a vehicle for which the Division has issued a medical exception permit pursuant
24 to G.S. 20-127(f).

25 A vehicle that is inspected at an inspection station and fails the inspection is entitled to be
26 reinspected at the same station at any time within 60 days of the failed inspection without paying
27 another inspection fee.

28 The inspection fee for an emissions and safety inspection set out in this subsection is the
29 maximum amount that an inspection station or an inspection mechanic may charge for an
emissions and safety inspection of a vehicle. An inspection station or an inspection mechanic
may charge the maximum amount or any lesser amount for an emissions and safety inspection
of a vehicle. The inspection fee for a safety only inspection set out in this subsection may not be
increased or decreased. The authorization fees set out in this subsection may not be increased or
decreased."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2019.

