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HOUSE BILL 157

Short Title: DMV/Registration of Bicycles. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Elmore.

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Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE OWNER OF A BICYCLE TO REGISTER THE BICYCLE WITH
THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding
a new section to read:

"§ 20-53.6. Registration of Bicycles.

(a) Registration. – Each bicycle used, by a person 16 years or older, on a public street or
highway shall be registered with the Division. The owner of a bicycle is not required to apply
for, and the Division is not required to issue, a certificate of title.

(b) Fees. – The annual bicycle registration fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00). The fees shall
be used by the Department of Transportation for bicycle safety related projects, including bicycle
lanes, signage, safety education, and bicycle helmet grants for minors.

(c) Registration Plates. – The Division shall issue a registration card and registration plate
suitably sized for a bicycle to be attached to the rear of the bicycle.

(d) Penalties. – Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of an infraction
punishable by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2019. For the six months
immediately after the effective date of this act, law enforcement shall only issue warning tickets
for offenses committed.

