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HOUSE BILL 379

Short Title: Full Disclosure of Printer Costs. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Zachary.

For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Judiciary 3, if favorable, Commerce, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 25, 2021

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES TO CONSUMERS OF COSTS
3 RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF COMPUTER PRINTERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Article 1 of Chapter 75 of the General Statutes is amended by adding
6 a new section to read:

7 "**§ 75-44. Disclosure of costs related to computer printers.**

8 No person, firm, or corporation engaged in commerce shall offer for sale a computer printer
9 without clearly and prominently disclosing the additional costs related to operating the printer,
10 to include the cost of replacement ink or toner cartridges and the estimated number of printed
11 pages an ink or toner cartridge will print before requiring replacement. A violation of this section
12 constitutes an unfair trade practice under G.S. 75-1.1 and is subject to all of the enforcement and
13 penalty provisions of this Article."

14 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021.

