



## SENATE BILL 123: No Emission Inspections for First Three Years

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<b>Committee:</b>	Senate Ref to Commerce. If fav, re-ref to Finance	<b>Date:</b>	June 7, 2012
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**SUMMARY:** *The Proposed Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 123 would exempt from the emissions inspection requirement vehicles in the three newest model years with 80,000 miles or less on their odometers.*

**CURRENT LAW:** G.S. 20-183.2 generally requires motor vehicles model 1996 or later that are registered in an emissions county to have an annual emissions inspection.

### BILL ANALYSIS:

**Section 1** of the PCS for Senate Bill 123 would exempt a vehicle that would otherwise be subject to an inspection under G.S. 20-183.2 from the emissions inspection requirement if the vehicle is:

- One of the three most recent model years, and
- Has less than 80,000 miles on its odometer.

**Section 2** of the PCS would require the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to submit the changes to the emissions inspection program to the United States Environmental Protection Agency as an amendment to the North Carolina State Implementation Plan under the federal Clean Air Act. If it is approved, the Secretary of the Department would be required to certify the approval to the Revisor of Statutes.

**Section 3** of the PCS would require the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to certify to the Revisor of Statutes that the Motor Vehicle Inspection and Law Enforcement System has been replaced when the replacement system is operational.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Section 1 of the act would become effective January 1, 2014, or the first day of the month 30 days after the certifications in Sections 2 and 3 of the act have occurred, whichever is later. The remainder of the act would be effective when it becomes law.

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