## April 12, 2001

H 1340. POST TOWING PROCEDURES. TO PROVIDE EXPEDITED POST TOWING PROCEDURES WHEN VEHICLES ARE REMOVED FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY. Adds GS 20-219.4 providing procedure for towing motor vehicle that is left on private property without consent of owner for longer than 48 hours. Requires landowner or tower to give vehicle owner notice within 24 hours after vehicle has been left in violation of law. States that notice to be given by telephone if feasible and that notice shall be given by certified mail return receipt requested to registered owner. Provides that 3 days after return of receipt of certified mail showing notice was received, that addressee refused to accept service, or that current address on file with DMV is a false address, owner may remove motor vehicle from property, or if motor vehicle has already been towed, vehicle becomes subject to a storage lien under G.S. 44A-2. Provides that in the alternative, property owner or tower may assert a lien and dispose of the vehicle by public or private sale. Effective Oct. 1, 2001.

Intro. by Mitchell.

Ref. to Judiciary II GS 20
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April 24, 2001

H 1340. LRC TO STUDY POST-TOWING PROCEDURES. Intro. 4/12/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces original bill with AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY EXPEDITED POST-TOWING PROCEDURES WHEN VEHICLES ARE REMOVED FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY AND PROCEDURES FOR QUICK DISPOSAL OF VEHICLES ABANDONED ON NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAYS. As new title indicates. Report to 2003 General Assembly; interim report authorized to 2002 session.