March 20, 2007

S 1118. RENTAL CAR FEE REFORM. Filed 3/20/07. TO MODERNIZE RENTAL CAR FEE CHARGING METHODS AND TO ENSURE COMPLETE DISCLOSURE OF RENTAL CAR FEES.

Repeals GS 66-202 (rental car advertising) and replaces it with new GS 66-202.1 to provide that any time a rental car company quotes a price, it must clearly and conspicuously disclose: (1) specified itemized charges; (2) the terms of any mileage conditions; (3) the daily rate for collision damage waivers and the fact that the waivers are not required; (4) the range of itemized charges or maximum itemized charges for any quoted rental rate involving more than one location; and (5) the amount of the itemized charges or the total amount owed, including the itemized charges, if quoting a price over a voice system or in person, before taking a reservation. Makes conforming changes to GS 66-203(a) and GS 66-204(a). Effective July 1, 2007. Intro. by Hagan.

May 9, 2007

S 1118. RENTAL CAR FEE REFORM. Filed 3/20/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes the provisions of the original bill on rental cars, replaces them with new provisions on rental cars, and changes title to AN ACT TO ALLOW THE UNBUNDLING OF VEHICLE LICENSE AND REGISTRATION FEES FROM RENTAL CAR RATES. Enacts GS 66-201(8) defining vehicle license and registration fees as charges that may be imposed on rental transactions to recoup the rental car company's costs in licensing, titling, inspecting, and registering rental vehicles. Requires rental car companies to make a good faith effort to ensure that fees collected do not exceed actual costs. Amends GS 66-202(d) to allow rental car companies to separate vehicle license and registration fees from their rental rate and, if a company does so in an advertisement, quotation, or reservation, it must disclose the existence and range of those fees. Amends GS 66-202(e) to require rental car companies to disclose vehicle license and registration fees when guoting the total estimated price to a renter by computer, voice system, or in person. Makes conforming changes to GS 66-203(a) and GS 66-204(a) to reflect that a rental car company may charge for vehicle license and registration fees. Also provides in GS 66-204(a) that a rental car company may charge for optional collision damage waivers.

July 3, 2007

S 1118. RENTAL CAR FEE REFORM. Filed 3/20/07. House amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes the effective date from July 1, 2007, to when the act becomes law.

July 18, 2007

SL 2007-235 (S 1118). RENTAL CAR FEE REFORM. AN ACT TO ALLOW THE UNBUNDLING OF VEHICLE LICENSE AND REGISTRATION FEES FROM RENTAL CAR RATES. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 3/20/07, 5/9/07, and 7/3/07. Enacted July 18, 2007. Effective July 18, 2007.