

March 26, 2007

**S 1495. WRECKER IDENTIFICATION ACT.** Filed 3/26/07. *TO REQUIRE ALL WRECKERS, AS DEFINED IN CHAPTER 20 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, TO BE REGISTERED WITH THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND HAVE ASSIGNED A SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER THAT SHALL BE DISPLAYED ON BOTH THE DRIVER AND PASSENGER DOORS.* Enacts new Article 18 of GS Chapter 20, requiring wrecker owners to obtain an identification number and registration card from the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Requires the identification number to be displayed on the driver and passenger doors and on the rear bumper; failure to do so is a Class 2 misdemeanor. Specifies information to be included on an application for an identification number and allows DMV to refuse an identification number for listed reasons. Requires the number to be renewed annually and requires notification of change of address or name. Provides for indexing identification number records, for registration renewals, and for the replacement of lost cards. Makes it a felony to alter or forge a registration card or an application for a registration card. Sets fees for the initial number, renewal, and the replacement and transfer of a number, or the replacement, transfer, and issuance of duplicate cards; fees must be credited to the Highway Fund. Effective December 1, 2007, but provides that law enforcement may not enforce the act until July 1, 2008.

**Intro. by Graham.**

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May 14, 2007

**S 1495. VEHICLES USED FOR TOWING TO BE MARKED (NEW).** Filed 3/26/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of first edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A VEHICLE USED TO TOW OR TRANSPORT ANOTHER VEHICLE BE MARKED SO THAT THE OWNER MAY BE IDENTIFIED.* Amends GS 20-101 as title indicates. Requires the name and address of the owner to be printed on the side of the vehicle in letters at least three inches high. Effective December 1, 2007.

July 17, 2007

**S 1495. VEHICLES USED FOR TOWING TO BE MARKED.** Filed 3/26/07. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Modifies proposed amendment to GS 20-101 to provide that the marking requirement (1) applies to vehicles hired for the purpose of towing or transporting another vehicle and (2) must include the name of the business or person being hired. Makes clarifying and organizational changes to the statute.

July 28, 2007

**S 1495. VEHICLES USED FOR TOWING TO BE MARKED.** Filed 3/26/07. House amendment makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Rewrites title as *AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A VEHICLE USED TO TOW OR TRANSPORT ANOTHER VEHICLE BE MARKED SO THAT THE OWNER MAY BE IDENTIFIED AND TO ADD AN EXEMPTION FROM THE SEAT BELT LAW FOR DRIVERS OR PASSENGERS OF A RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE OR RECYCLING TRUCK WHILE THE TRUCK IS OPERATING DURING COLLECTION ROUNDS AND WHILE TRAVELING TO AND FROM GARBAGE AND RECYCLING MATERIALS LOADING AND UNLOADING LOCATIONS.* Amends GS 20-135.2A(c) to add an exemption to the seatbelt law as revised long title indicates.

August 27, 2007

**SL 2007-404 (S 1495). VEHICLES USED FOR TOWING TO BE MARKED. AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A VEHICLE USED TO TOW OR TRANSPORT ANOTHER VEHICLE BE MARKED SO THAT THE OWNER MAY BE IDENTIFIED AND TO ADD AN EXEMPTION FROM THE SEAT BELT LAW FOR DRIVERS OR PASSENGERS OF A RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE OR RECYCLING TRUCK WHILE THE TRUCK IS OPERATING DURING COLLECTION ROUNDS AND WHILE TRAVELING TO AND FROM GARBAGE AND RECYCLING MATERIAL LOADING**

*AND UNLOADING LOCATIONS.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 5/14/07, 7/17/07, and 7/28/07.  
Enacted August 21, 2007. Effective December 1, 2007.