March 5, 2009

H 487. ADD VISITNC.COM TO LICENSE PLATES. Filed 3/5/09. TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PLACE THE NORTH CAROLINA TOURISM WEB SITE, VISITNC.COM, ON THE STATE'S REGISTRATION PLATES.

Amends GS 20-63(b) as the title indicates. Effective October 1, 2009, and applies to license plates produced on or after that date.

Intro. by Underhill, Haire.

GS 20

May 7, 2009

H 487. STUDY LICENSE PLATE BACKGROUNDS/INFORMATION (NEW). Filed 3/5/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of 1st edition and replaces it with AN ACT TO STUDY REQUIRING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PLACE THE NORTH CAROLINA TOURISM WEB SITE, VISITNC.COM, ON THE STATE'S REGISTRATION PLATES AND TO STUDY REQUIRING ALL LICENSE PLATES ISSUED BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO HAVE A "FIRST IN FLIGHT" BACKGROUND, INCLUDING SPECIALIZED LICENSE PLATES. Requires the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee (Committee) to study whether to require the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to place the North Carolina tourism Web site, visitnc.com, on the state registration plates and whether to require all license plates issued by the DMV, including all specialized license plates, to have a "First in Flight" background. Requires the Committee to consult with the DMV regarding the feasibility of adding the NC tourism Web site to the current license plate background, and to consult with the DMV, the State Highway Patrol, and any other law enforcement agency regarding the recognizability of license plates and any enforcement issues associated with different plate backgrounds. Requires the Committee to report its findings and any recommended legislation to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly no later than March 31, 2010. Changes the effective date to when the act becomes law (was. October 1, 2009).