February 4, 2009

H 67. LICENSE PLATE FRAME/STATE NAME VISIBLE. Filed 2/4/09. TO PROHIBIT THE COVERING OF THE STATE NAME ON A STATE LICENSE PLATE BY A LICENSE PLATE FRAME.

Current law prohibits the alteration, disguise, or concealment of the figures or letters on any part or portion of a motor vehicle license plate. Amends GS 20-63(g) to also prohibit using a *license plate frame* to alter, disguise, or conceal figures, letters, *or* the state name on any part or portion of a motor vehicle license plate. Effective December 1, 2009, and applies to offenses committed after that date.

Intro. by Cole.

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March 19, 2009

H 67. LICENSE PLATE FRAME/STATE NAME VISIBLE. Filed 2/5/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends title to read, TO PROHIBIT THE COVERING OF THE STATE NAME, YEAR STICKER, OR MONTH STICKER ON A STATE LICENSE PLATE BY A LICENSE PLATE FRAME. Adds prohibition on covering year and month stickers on license plates. Changes effective date to December 1, 2010. Requires the Division of Motor Vehicles to notify registered vehicle owners of these requirements.

April 15, 2009

H 67. LICENSE PLATE FRAME/ STATE NAME VISIBLE. Filed 2/4/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Deletes that the Division of Motor Vehicles must notify registered vehicle owners of the requirements of this act. Provides that during the period from December 1, 2009, to November 30, 2010, a motor vehicle operator who violates this act must be given a warning of violation only. Makes a technical change.

July 2, 2009

H 67. LICENSE PLATE FRAME/STATE NAME VISIBLE/STUDY (NEW). Filed 2/4/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Requires the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee, in consultation with the Revenue Laws Study Committee, to study the authorization of special plates and the issuance of special plates with a design that is other than First in Flight. States the General Assembly's intent to repeal the authorization for a special plate that has not received at least 300 applications within two years of authorization and requires the Division of Motor Vehicles to report to the Committee on special plates that fall in this category. These requirements are effective when the act becomes law.

July 28, 2009

H 67. LICENSE PLATE FRAME/STATE NAME VISIBILITY/STUDY. Filed 2/4/09. Conference report recommends the following changes to 4th edition to reconcile matters in controversy. Amends GS 20-63(g) to provide that nothing in the subsection prohibits the use of transparent covers that do not (was, are not designed or intended to) prevent or interfere with the taking of a clear photograph of a registration plate by traffic control or a toll collection system using cameras.

August 18, 2009

SL 2009-456 (H 67). LICENSE PLATE FRAME/STATE NAME VISIBLE/STUDY. AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE COVERING OF THE STATE NAME, YEAR STICKER, OR MONTH STICKER ON A STATE LICENSE PLATE BY A LICENSE PLATE FRAME AND TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND THE REVENUE LAWS STUDY COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE AUTHORIZATION OF SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 2/4/09, 3/19/09, 4/15/09, 7/2/09, and 7/28/09. Enacted August 7, 2009. Section 1 is effective December 1, 2009. The remainder is effective August 7, 2009.