March 27, 2009

H 861. CREATE NEW TITLING CATEGORIES. Filed 3/26/09. TO CREATE NEW MOTOR VEHICLE TITLING AND REGISTRATION CATEGORIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES CLASSIFIED AS CUSTOM-BUILT VEHICLES, REPLICA VEHICLES, AND STREET RODS, TO REQUIRE AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY-DOLLAR REGISTRATION FEE TO SUPPORT THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES BUREAU OF LICENSE AND THEFT MOTOR VEHICLE EXAMINATION PROGRAM, AND TO MAKE CORRESPONDING CHANGES.

Amends GS 20-4.01(33) as the title indicates. Modifies the definition for *reconstructed vehicle* to include motor vehicles that have been materially altered from original construction due to removal, addition, or substitution of parts so they are no longer visually identifiable as generally recognized manufacturer-built vehicles. Adds definitions for *replica vehicles*, *street rod vehicles*, and *custom-built vehicle*. Identifies *replica, street rod,* and *custom-built* vehicle titles as *specially constructed vehicles*. Makes conforming changes to GS 20-71.3(a) and GS 20-71.4(a)(2).

Amends GS 20-54 to provide that certificates of title and registration for generally recognized manufacturer-built vehicles are not to be denied or delayed because the originating title is from out of state, because of the age of the vehicle, or because the vehicle has not been first inspected by a representative of the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) unless there is some probable cause to believe that an individual vehicle has some issue that justifies an inspection before title and registration are issued.

Amends GS 20-70 to provide that the notification and registration requirements in GS 20-70(a) and (b) regarding an engine change are only required if the motor vehicle into which a new engine is installed is identified solely by an engine number.

Amends GS 20-71.3(b) to require any vehicle up to and including six model years old that is damaged by collision or other occurrence and is to be retitled in this state to be inspected by the License and Theft Bureau (was, Enforcement Section) of the DMV.

Amends GS 20-53 to add subsection to require \$30 fee for each application for Custom-Built, Replica, or Street Rod title and registration.

Effective Dec. 1, 2009, for applications received on and after that date.

Intro. by Goodwin, Barnhart, and Crawford. GS 20

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H 861. CREATE NEW TITLING CATEGORIES. Filed 3/26/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Rewrites first edition to redefine *specially constructed vehicles* as vehicles, other than motorcycles, that meet the act's definition of *replica vehicles*, *street rods*, and *custom vehicles*. Revises the first edition's definitions of *street rod vehicles* and *custom vehicles*. Deletes provision requiring payment of an additional \$30 registration fee for specially constructed vehicles. Prohibits Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) from denying or delaying registration of specially constructed vehicles or vehicles originally built by a generally recognized manufacturer because the originating title is out-of-state, the vehicle is of a certain age, or the vehicle has not been inspected first by DMV. Makes additional technical and conforming changes. Clarifies that provisions related to the registering and titling of specially constructed vehicles are effective October 1, 2009 (was, entire act effective December 1, 2009), with the remainder effective when it becomes law.