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S 809. MILITARY ADMISSION FEE WAIVER/NCDL RENEWAL. Filed 03/24/09. *TO GRANT MEMBERS AND VETERANS OF THE MILITARY FREE ADMISSION TO STATE-OPERATED MUSEUMS AND STATE PARKS, TO AUTHORIZE A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OR OF RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE ARMED FORCES TO RENEW A DRIVERS LICENSE UPON RECEIPT OF DEPLOYMENT ORDERS, AND TO ALLOW A THIRTY-DAY GRACE PERIOD FOR AN EXPIRED LICENSE UPON RELEASE FROM ACTIVE DUTY .*

Amends GS 121-7.3 to provide free admission to any museum operated by the Department of Cultural Resources to any member or veteran of the military, defined as the active and reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, N.C. Army and Air National Guards, Merchant Marine, and Coast Guard. Amends GS 143B-73(2) and GS 143B-73.1 to include the Battleship U.S.S. North Carolina in the above provisions. Enacts GS 113-44.16 to provide free admission to all state parks in accordance with above provisions. Amends GS 20-7 to permit a servicemember to renew a driver's license without limitation on the period of time before it expires if the servicemember is deployed on active duty outside of the state, to provide for a 30-day grace period for driver's license renewals upon a servicemember's release from active duty, and to provide for renewal by mail to servicemembers on active duty. Amends GS 20-7(r) to waive the required eye exam for servicemembers serving in combat or hazardous duty zones who renew their driver's licenses by mail. Makes corresponding change to the definitional provisions of GS 20-4.01. Requires the Revisor of Statutes to replace "armed forces" with "Armed Forces" in GS Chapter 20. Effective when act becomes law, with the driver's license provisions applying to all licenses expiring on or after the effective date of the act.

Intro. by Jones.

GS 20, 113, 121, 143B

April 20, 2009

S 809. LICENSE RENEWAL/ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY (NEW). Filed 3/24/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes the proposed amendments to GS 121-7.3, GS 143B-73(2), GS 143B-73.1, and new GS 113-44.16 concerning free admission for members and veterans of the military to state-operated museums and state parks. Amends proposed GS 20-7(f)(3b) to increase the amount of time during which a member of the armed forces or of a reserve component of the armed forces with a license that expired while on active duty outside of the United States is still considered to have a valid license from 30 days to 60 days after the date of release from active duty and specifies that this active duty be outside of the United States. Makes conforming changes to the effective date and title.