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Short Title: Study/No Emission Testing for Hybrid Vehicle. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Floyd.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO STUDY THE  
3 FEASIBILITY AND ADVISABILITY OF EXEMPTING ALL NON-PLUG-IN HYBRID  
4 MOTOR VEHICLES FROM EMISSIONS INSPECTIONS OR ALLOWING A WAIVER  
5 FOR NON-PLUG-IN HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES THAT FAIL AN EMISSIONS  
6 INSPECTION DUE TO AN ERROR THAT DOES NOT IMPACT AIR QUALITY.  
7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
8 **SECTION 1.** Study. – The Division of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the  
9 Division of Air Quality of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, shall study  
10 the feasibility and advisability of (i) exempting all non-plug-in hybrid motor vehicles from  
11 emissions inspections under Article 3A of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes or (ii) amending  
12 Article 3A of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes to require the Division of Motor Vehicles to  
13 issue a waiver from the emissions inspection requirement for a non-plug-in hybrid motor  
14 vehicle if the vehicle fails the analysis of data provided by the on-board diagnostic equipment  
15 due to an error that does not impact air quality.  
16 **SECTION 2.** Report. – The Division of Motor Vehicles shall report its findings  
17 and recommendations, including any legislative proposals, to the Joint Legislative  
18 Transportation Oversight Committee no later than February 1, 2016.  
19 **SECTION 3.** Effective Date. – This act is effective when it becomes law.

