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SENATE BILL 540
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Short Title: Priority Pass/Ferry. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 30, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SET FEE AMOUNT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AN ANNUAL PASS THAT ENTITLES A PASSENGER TO PRIORITY WHEN BOARDING A FERRY PASSENGER VESSEL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-82(f) reads as rewritten:

"(f) Authority to Generate Certain Receipts. – The Department of Transportation, notwithstanding any other provision of law, may operate or contract for the following receipt-generating activities and use the proceeds for ferry passenger vessel replacement projects in the manner set forth in subsection (d) of this section:

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(3a) Issuance of annual passes to individual passengers that entitle the passengers to priority when boarding a ferry passenger vessel. The Department of Transportation shall charge an annual fee of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) for each pass issued under this subdivision. The fee would be in addition to any applicable ferry toll. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Transportation shall not provide free of charge annual passes to individual passengers that entitle the passengers to priority when boarding a ferry passenger vessel.

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The Department may issue rules to implement this subsection."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2015, and applies to passes issued on or after that date.