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HOUSE BILL DRH30301-ML-167 (03/24)

Short Title: Household Goods Carrier Revisions.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative McNeill.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT AN INTRASTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS CARRIER SHALL NOT ATTEMPT TO OPERATE UPON A ROAD WITHIN THIS STATE WITHOUT MEETING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AND TO EXPAND THE TYPES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT THAT MAY ENFORCE THE LAWS GOVERNING AN INTRASTATE HOUSEHOLD GOODS CARRIER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-398 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 20-398. Household goods carrier; marking or identification of vehicles.**

(a) No carrier shall operate or attempt to operate any motor vehicle upon a highway, public street, or public vehicular area within the State in the transportation of household goods for compensation unless the name or trade name and the North Carolina number assigned to the carrier by the North Carolina Utilities Commission appear on each side of the vehicle in letters and figures not less than three inches high. The North Carolina number assigned to the carrier shall also be placed on the rear left upper quadrant of the vehicle in letters and figures not less than three inches high. In case of a tractor-trailer unit, the side markings must be on the tractor and the rear markings must be on the trailer. The markings required may be printed on the vehicle or on durable placards securely fastened on the vehicle.

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(e) Notwithstanding any provision of G.S. 20-383 to the contrary, any law enforcement officer with territorial jurisdiction may enforce the provisions of this section."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 62-280.1 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 62-280.1. False representation of household goods carrier certificate unlawful.**

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(b) Any person who violates subsection (a) of this ~~section~~section, or who aids and abets another person in violating subsection (a) of this section, shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor and punished only by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the first offense and not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for any subsequent offense.

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(d) Notwithstanding any provision of G.S. 20-383 to the contrary, any law enforcement officer with territorial jurisdiction may enforce the provisions of this section."

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2017, and applies to violations committed on or after that date.

