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HOUSE BILL DRH40456-ML-160A (03/22)

Short Title: Exempt Motorcoach Manufacturer & Distributor. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hardister, Faircloth, Blust, and Brockman (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO EXEMPT MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF  
3 MOTORCOACHES FROM THE PROHIBITION ON OWNING, OPERATING, OR  
4 CONTROLLING A MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERSHIP IN THIS STATE.  
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-286 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:  
7 "(9a) Motorcoach. – A commercial bus designed or used to transport passengers  
8 for compensation with (i) a gross vehicle weight rating of at least 26,000  
9 pounds; (ii) a seating capacity of 16 or more designated positions, including  
10 the driver; and (iii) no fewer than two rows of passenger seats rearward of  
11 the driver's seating position that are forward-facing or can be converted to  
12 forward-facing without the use of tools."  
13 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-305.2(b) reads as rewritten:  
14 "(b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to manufacturers or distributors of (i)  
15 trailers or semitrailers that are not recreational vehicles as defined in ~~G.S. 20-4.01~~G.S. 20-4.01  
16 or (ii) motorcoaches."  
17 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

