

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2009

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HOUSE BILL 487
Committee Substitute Favorable 5/7/09

Short Title: Study License Plate Backgrounds/Information.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 9, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO STUDY REQUIRING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PLACE
2 THE NORTH CAROLINA TOURISM WEB SITE, VISITNC.COM, ON THE STATE'S
3 REGISTRATION PLATES AND TO STUDY REQUIRING ALL LICENSE PLATES
4 ISSUED BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO HAVE A "FIRST IN
5 FLIGHT" BACKGROUND, INCLUDING SPECIALIZED LICENSE PLATES.
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee shall
9 study whether to require the Division of Motor Vehicles to place the North Carolina tourism
10 Web site, visitnc.com, on the State's registration plates and whether to require all license plates
11 issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles to have a "First in Flight" background, including all
12 specialized license plates.

13 **SECTION 2.** The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee shall
14 consult with the Division of Motor Vehicles, the State Highway Patrol, and any other law
15 enforcement agency regarding the recognizability of license plates and any enforcement issues
16 associated with different plate backgrounds. The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight
17 Committee also shall consult with the Division of Motor Vehicles regarding the feasibility of
18 adding the North Carolina tourism Web site, visitnc.com, to the current "First in Flight" license
19 plate background.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee shall
21 report its findings and any recommended legislation to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009
22 General Assembly not later than March 31, 2010.

23 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

