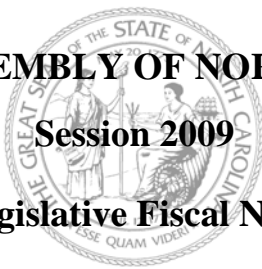# GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Session 2009

Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: Senate Bill 809 (Second Edition)

SHORT TITLE: License Renewal/Active Military Duty.

SPONSOR(S):   Senator Jones

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FISCAL IMPACT

Yes (X)   **No** ( )   **No Estimate Available** ( )

	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
REVENUES	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
EXPENDITURES **DMV:**	$62,560	$11,628	$11,628	$11,628	$11,628
POSITIONS (cumulative):	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &
  PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Division of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation Information Technology

EFFECTIVE DATE: Bill becomes effective when it becomes law.

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BILL SUMMARY:
This bill amends G.S. 20-7 to permit a service member to renew a driver's license without limitation on the period of time before it expires if the service member is deployed on active duty outside of the state, to provide for a 30-day grace period for driver's license renewals upon a service member's release from active duty, and to provide for renewal by mail to service members on active duty. This bill amends G.S. 20-7(r) to waive the required eye exam for service members serving in combat or hazardous duty zones who renew their driver's licenses by mail. The bill makes corresponding change to the definitional provisions of G.S. 20-4.01 and requires the Revisor of Statutes to replace "armed forces" with "Armed Forces" in G.S. Chapter 20.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: Based on Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) estimates, the total development cost to complete programming required to implement this bill is $62,560 in the first year. This includes planning, development, and implementation costs for DMV and the Office of Information Technology Services (ITS). For cost estimating purposes, DMV is using an hourly rate of $85. Total planning and design phase costs are $2,720, or 32 hours

of an information technology professional's time. Most of the projected cost is for 396 hours of testing during the execution and build phase, and includes ITS's costs, for a total of $42,075. The implementation phase is estimated to cost a total of $2,210, and DMV has allowed $680 for project management. A change budget of 20% is also included.

Annual maintenance and operations costs following completion of the project are estimated at $11,628, with $8,500 required for maintenance and $3,128 for operations. Any programming requires maintenance, and DMV has allowed 6.6 hours a month at $85 an hour to maintain this application, covering their costs and ITS's. The estimated operations cost is based on five percent of the overall development cost.

SOURCES OF DATA: Division of Motor Vehicles

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: Because of programming requirements, the DMV has proposed delaying the implementation until March 1, 2010.

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