GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

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HOUSE BILL 460 Committee Substitute Favorable 4/19/01

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 5, 2001

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO
3	ESTABLISH A MEMORIAL MARKER PROGRAM FOR PERSONS KILLED AS
4	A RESULT OF ACCIDENTS INVOLVING IMPAIRED DRIVING.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6	SECTION 1. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a
7	new section to read:
8	" <u>§ 136-43.2. Memorial marker program for persons killed on State highways.</u>
9	(a) The Department of Transportation shall develop and operate a roadside memorial
10	program for the placement of a standard memorial marker at the site of each highway
11	<u>fatality.</u>
12	(b) The Department may have the standard memorial marker inscribed with a
13	symbol, developed in coordination with Mothers Against Drunk Driving, for each
14	fatality involving impaired driving.
15	(c) The program may allow for placing the following added text and symbols on the
16	standard memorial marker, at the request of the victim's family:
17	(1) The victim's name.
18	(2) The victim's age at the time of death.
19	(3) <u>The victim's religious affiliation.</u>
20	(d) The program may allow for the placing of standard symbols indicating the cause
21	or nature of all highway fatalities not involving impaired driving by approved
22	organizations with the concurrence of the victim's family.
23	(e) The costs of the standard memorial marker and its placement, pursuant to
24	subsection (c) or (d) of this section, shall be paid by the family or the organization
25	requesting the sign.
26	(f) The Department shall issue rules for the implementation of the roadside memorial
27	program authorized by this section."
28	SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2001.

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