

1 (1) The projected emissions of carbon dioxide for each year through the
2 year 2020 from motor vehicles in North Carolina if the California
3 motor vehicle emissions standards were adopted in North Carolina, as
4 compared to emissions of carbon dioxide projected for the same period
5 from motor vehicles in North Carolina if the California motor vehicle
6 emissions standards are not adopted. In making the comparison, the
7 Commission shall factor in any reduction of emissions of carbon
8 dioxide in North Carolina that are projected to result from the
9 implementation of the federal emissions standards and the federal fuel
10 efficiency standards.

11 (2) The projected increase in costs to North Carolina sellers and
12 purchasers of new vehicles if the California motor vehicle emissions
13 standards were adopted in North Carolina.

14 (3) The projected reduction in quantity and cost of fuel to North Carolina
15 consumers if the California motor vehicle emissions standards were
16 adopted in North Carolina as compared to the quantity and cost of fuel
17 if the California motor vehicle emissions standards are not adopted. In
18 making the comparison, the Commission shall determine quantity and
19 cost of fuel during the first five years of the useful life of the vehicle
20 and over the projected useful life of the vehicle.

21 **SECTION 1.(c)** Commission may employ consultants. – In the conduct of
22 this study, the Commission may employ independent consultants as provided by
23 G.S. 120-32.02 and G.S. 120-70.44.

24 **SECTION 1.(d)** Advisory committee. – The Commission may convene an
25 advisory committee of interested parties to assist in the design and implementation of
26 the study.

27 **SECTION 1.(e)** Report. – The Commission shall report its findings and
28 recommendations, including any legislative proposals to the General Assembly, on or
29 before 1 April 2009.

30 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.