

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS75505-RWz-22A* (05/05)

Short Title: State Tire Contract.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Jenkins.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT
LEGISLATIVE TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE STUDY OF
TIRE RETREAD PROCESSES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The North Carolina of Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract, is directed to make the following changes to its Request for Proposal criteria for a statewide tire retread contract:

- (1) Require that the bids remain closed until a designated and advertised bid-opening day in which the bids are opened, announced, and recorded in public. The bids shall then be shown and made available to the public.
- (2) Do not require a specific type of retread method, such as a bead to bead or precure product.
- (3) Require that manufacturing company's original markings on tires be visible and not removed during the retread process.
- (4) Require that the cost of the tire retread include spot repairs, and that there no longer be a separate charge for a spot repair.
- (5) Include in the contract that all casings receive a state-of-the-art inspection with the use of shearography, ultrasound, electrostatic discharge, or other industry standard pressure testing methodology.
- (6) Include a threshold for the number of times a casing may be retreaded.
- (7) Include a threshold for the age of a casing that may be retreaded.
- (8) Include the number of nail hole repairs that are permissible for a casing to be retreaded.
- (9) Provide assurance that a particular fleet will receive its own casings back after retread completed.

- 1 (10) Set minimum tread depths per category or application of the retread
2 tire.
- 3 (11) Consider a multiaward contract structure that includes several vendors;
4 the Office of Purchase and Contract will take into account geographic
5 location and proximity of vendor to customer when creating a
6 multiaward contract.
- 7 (12) Allow State agencies to purchase up to ten percent (10%) of tires off
8 the State contract.

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