

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 446

Short Title: Dealership Loaner Vehicles. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators B. Jackson (Primary Sponsor); Ford and Waddell.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 26, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE USE OF DEALER PLATES ON DEALERSHIP LOANER
VEHICLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-79(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) Restrictions on Use. – A dealer license plate may be displayed only on a motor vehicle that meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Is part of the inventory of the dealer.
- (2) Is not consigned to the dealer.
- (3) Is covered by liability insurance that meets the requirements of Article 9A of this Chapter.
- (4) Is not used by the dealer in another business in which the dealer is engaged.
- (5) Is driven on a highway by a person who meets one of the following descriptions:
 - a. Has a demonstration permit to test-drive the motor vehicle and carries the demonstration permit while driving the motor vehicle.
 - b. Is an officer or sales representative of the dealer and is driving the vehicle for a business purpose of the dealer.
 - c. Is an employee of the dealer and is driving the vehicle in the course of employment.
 - d. Is an employee of the dealer or of a contractor of the dealer and is driving the vehicle within a 20-mile radius of a place where the vehicle is being repaired or otherwise prepared for sale.
 - e. Is an employee of the dealer or of a contractor of the dealer and is transporting the vehicle to or from a vehicle auction or to the dealer's established salesroom.
 - f. Is an officer, sales representative, or other employee of a franchised motor vehicle dealer or is an immediate family member of an officer, sales representative, or other employee of a franchised motor vehicle dealer.
 - g. Is a customer whose vehicle is being serviced or repaired by a dealer, provided that the motor vehicle displaying the dealer plate is provided to the customer by the dealer at no charge and only for the duration of the servicing or repair of the customer's vehicle."

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

