

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 282

Short Title: Modify Wilmington Civilian Crash Investigator. (Local)

Sponsors: Senator Lee (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 15, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORITY OF CIVILIAN TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS IN
THE CITY OF WILMINGTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. S.L. 2007-218 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 1.** This act applies to the City of Wilmington only.

"**SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the City of Wilmington is hereby authorized to employ and allow civilian personnel to investigate traffic ~~crashes~~ crashes and issue citations for infractions under Chapter 20 of the General Statutes related to the traffic crashes investigated. The civilian personnel shall be known as "Civilian Traffic Investigators".

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"**SECTION 8.(a)** A Civilian Traffic Investigator shall have no authority to arrest or issue criminal ~~process~~ process, except citations pursuant to subsection (b) of this section. A Civilian Traffic Investigator shall not be issued a weapon of any type.

"**SECTION 8.(b)** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a Civilian Traffic Investigator shall have the authority to issue citations for infractions under Chapter 20 of the General Statutes related to the traffic crashes that the Civilian Traffic Investigator investigates.

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

