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Short Title: DMV/Registration of Bicycles. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Elmore (By Request).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE OWNER OF A BICYCLE TO REGISTER THE BICYCLE WITH THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-53.6. Registration of Bicycles.

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- (a) Registration. Each bicycle used, by a person 16 years or older, on a public street or highway shall be registered with the Division. The owner of a bicycle is not required to apply for, and the Division is not required to issue, a certificate of title.
- (b) Fees. The annual bicycle registration fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00). The fees shall be used by the Department of Transportation for bicycle safety related projects, including bicycle lanes, signage, safety education, and bicycle helmet grants for minors.
- (c) Registration Plates. The Division shall issue a registration card and registration plate suitably sized for a bicycle to be attached to the rear of the bicycle.
- (d) Penalties. Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00)."
- **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2019. For the six months immediately after the effective date of this act, law enforcement shall only issue warning tickets for offenses committed.

