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SENATE BILL 882

Short Title: Taxicabs-No Seat Belts Required.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hunt of Durham.

Referred to: Transportation.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO EXEMPT TAXICABS FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE  
MANDATORY SEAT BELT LAW.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-135.2A(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) This section shall not apply to any of the following:

- (1) A driver or occupant with a medical or physical condition that prevents appropriate restraint by a safety belt or with a professionally certified mental phobia against the wearing of vehicle restraints;
- (2) A motor vehicle operated by a rural letter carrier of the United States Postal Service while performing duties as a rural letter carrier;
- (3) A driver or passenger frequently stopping and leaving the vehicle or delivering property from the vehicle if the speed of the vehicle between stops does not exceed 20 miles per hour;
- (4) Any vehicle registered and licensed as a property-carrying vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-88, while being used for agricultural or commercial purposes; ~~or~~
- (5) A motor vehicle not required to be equipped with seat safety belts under federal ~~law-law~~; or
- (6) A taxicab driver while the taxicab is being operated for hire."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.