

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1993 SESSION

CHAPTER 385  
SENATE BILL 1248

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE CHARGES FOR INSPECTION OF MOTOR  
VEHICLES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-183.7 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 20-183.7. Charges for inspections and certificates; safety equipment inspection station records.**

(a) Every safety equipment inspection station shall charge ~~a fee of five dollars and twenty-five cents (\$5.25) effective October 1, 1989; and a fee of six dollars and twenty-five cents (\$6.25) effective October 1, 1990-1990; and a fee of eight dollars and twenty-five cents (\$8.25) effective October 1, 1993,~~ for inspecting a motor vehicle to determine compliance with the safety inspection requirements of this Article and shall give the vehicle operator a dated receipt, indicating the articles and equipment approved and disapproved. At any time within 90 days thereafter, when the receipt is presented to the inspection station which issued it with a request for reinspection, that inspection station shall reinspect the vehicle at no charge. Whenever any vehicle is approved, the inspection station shall obtain an additional fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for a valid inspection certificate, and affix the certificate to that vehicle or otherwise document the issuance of the certificate in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

(a1) For inspection of vehicles required to be inspected under the inspection/maintenance provisions of G.S. 20-183.3(b), every safety equipment inspection station shall charge ~~a fee of ten dollars and ten cents (\$10.10) effective October 1, 1989; and a fee of thirteen dollars (\$13.00) effective October 1, 1990, 1990; and a fee of seventeen dollars (\$17.00) effective October 1, 1993,~~ for inspecting a motor vehicle to determine compliance with the safety inspection requirements and the exhaust emission standards pursuant to the inspection/maintenance requirements of this Article and shall give the vehicle operator a dated receipt indicating the articles and equipment approved or disapproved and whether the vehicle met the emission control standards. If the vehicle is disapproved, at any time within 30 days thereafter when the receipt is presented to the inspection station which issued it with a request for reinspection, that inspection station shall reinspect the vehicle at no charge. Whenever any vehicle is approved, the inspection station shall obtain an additional fee of two dollars and forty cents (\$2.40) for a valid inspection certificate covering both the safety inspection requirements and the emission control inspection/maintenance requirements

and affix the certificate to that vehicle or otherwise document the issuance of the certificate in a manner prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

(b) Self-inspector stations licensed under G.S. 20-183.4 are exempt from the inspecting fee provisions of subsection (a) above, but shall pay to the Division of Motor Vehicles the prescribed certificate fee for each inspection certificate issued by it.

(c) Fees collected for inspection certificates are payable to the Division of Motor Vehicles. The amount of each fee listed in the table below shall be credited to the Highway Fund, the Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund established in G.S. 58-87-5, the Rescue Squad Workers' Relief Fund established in G.S. 58-88-5, and the Division of Environmental Management of the Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources:

<u>Fund or Agency</u>	<u>Fee Imposed Under (a)</u>	<u>Fee Imposed Under (a1)</u>
Highway Fund	.75	1.80
Volunteer Rescue/EMS Fund	.15	.15
Rescue Squad Workers' Relief Fund	.10	.10
Division of Environmental Management	.00	.35.

(d) Each inspection station shall maintain a record of inspections performed, in a form approved by the Division of Motor Vehicles, for a period of 18 months and such records shall be made available for inspection by any law-enforcement officer, upon demand, during normal business hours."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 1993.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18th day of July, 1993.

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Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

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Daniel Blue, Jr.  
Speaker of the House of Representatives