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HOUSE BILL 684

Short Title: Increase Driveway Safety on Curvy Roads. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Elmore and Stevens (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site.

Referred to: Transportation.

April 11, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE DRIVEWAY SAFETY ON CURVY ROADS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. The Department of Transportation shall amend its policies on driveway access to provide for exceptions to the sight distance requirement for driveway locations in instances where the curves of the road are too close and frequent to provide for the sighting distances required in the published "Policy on Street and Driveway Access to North Carolina Highways." Exceptions shall be granted in instances where the speed limit on the relevant portion of the road may be lowered so as to provide safe reaction time around a proposed driveway location, and the Department shall reduce the speed limit accordingly. The Department may require a driveway permit applicant to cover the cost of installing the appropriate signage around the driveway, including speed limit reduction and driveway warning signs and may also require the applicant to install and maintain convex or other mirrors to increase the safety around the driveway location.

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Transportation on its implementation of the change required by this act within 180 days of this act becoming law.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.



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