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Short Title: Exempt Private Investigators/Window Tinting. (Public)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXEMPT PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS LICENSED BY THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FROM THE WINDOW TINTING REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 20 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-127(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"§ 20-127. Windows and windshield wipers.

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(c) Tinting Exceptions. – The window tinting restrictions in subsection (b) of this section apply without exception to the windshield of a vehicle. The window tinting restrictions in subdivisions (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section do not apply to any of the following vehicle windows:

- (1) A window of an excursion passenger vehicle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)a.
- (2) A window of a for-hire passenger vehicle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)b.
- (3) A window of a common carrier of passengers, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)c.
- (4) A window of a motor home, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)d2.
- (5) A window of an ambulance, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(27)f.
- (6) The rear window of a property-hauling vehicle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(31).
- (7) A window of a limousine.
- (8) A window of a law enforcement vehicle.
- (9) A window of a multipurpose vehicle that is behind the driver of the vehicle. A multipurpose vehicle is a passenger vehicle that is designed to carry 10 or fewer passengers and either is constructed on a truck

- 1 chassis or has special features designed for occasional off-road  
2 operation. A minivan and a pickup truck are multipurpose vehicles.  
3 (10) A window of a vehicle that is registered in another state and meets the  
4 requirements of the state in which it is registered.  
5 (11) A window of a vehicle for which the Division has issued a medical  
6 exception permit under subsection (f) of this section.  
7 (12) A window of a vehicle that is being operated by a private investigator  
8 as defined in G.S. 74C-3(a)(8) and who is properly licensed by the  
9 Private Protective Services Board as required in G.S. 74C-2.

10 ...."

11 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2008, and applies to  
12 offenses committed on or after that date.