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# HOUSE BILL 169: Limit Motor Vehicle Emissions Inspe

2015-2016 General Assembly

<b>Committee:</b>	House Finance	<b>Date:</b>	July 16, 2015
<b>Introduced by:</b>	Reps. Hager, Presnell	<b>Prepared by:</b>	Greg Roney Committee Counsel
<b>Analysis of:</b>	PCS to Second Edition H169-CSMH-13		

**SUMMARY:** *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 169 would eliminate the following counties from the list of counties with required motor vehicle emissions inspections: Brunswick, Burke, Caldwell, Carteret, Catawba, Chatham, Cleveland, Craven, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Haywood, Henderson, Lee, Lenoir, Moore, Nash, New Hanover, Onslow, Robeson, Rutherford, Stanly, Stokes, Surry, Wayne, Wilkes, and Wilson.*

**CURRENT LAW:** The State is required by the federal Clean Air Act to have an implementation plan to control air pollution. The State's plan includes a motor vehicle emissions inspection program. Pursuant to G.S. 143-215.107A, motor vehicle emissions inspections are performed only in covered counties. Emissions inspections are currently performed in 48 counties in North Carolina.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The PCS to House Bill 169 would delete the following counties from the list of counties requiring emissions inspections for motor vehicles: Brunswick, Burke, Caldwell, Carteret, Catawba, Chatham, Cleveland, Craven, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Harnett, Haywood, Henderson, Lee, Lenoir, Moore, Nash, New Hanover, Onslow, Robeson, Rutherford, Stanly, Stokes, Surry, Wayne, Wilkes, and Wilson.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective the later of the following:

- January 1, 2020.
- The first day of a month that is 60 days after the NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources certifies to the Revisor of Statutes that the US Environmental Protection Agency has approved an amendment to the implementation plan.

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