



HOUSE BILL 443: Auto Dealers/Continuing Education.

**This Bill Analysis
reflects the
contents of the bill
as it was presented
in committee.**

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 443 would exempt two new categories of used motor vehicle dealer licensees from continuing education requirements.

CURRENT LAW: As set forth under G.S. 20-285, the General Assembly has declared that the regulation and licensing of vehicle dealers, salesmen and their representatives doing business in this State, vitally affects the general economy of the State and the public interest and public welfare. Further, such regulation is necessary in order to prevent frauds, impositions and other abuses, and to protect and preserve the investments and properties of the citizens of this State.

G.S. 20-287 makes it unlawful for any used motor vehicle dealer to engage in business in this State without first obtaining a license.

G.S. 20-288(a1)(2) requires that used motor vehicle dealer licensees complete a twelve-hour licensing course if the applicant is seeking an initial license, or a six-hour course if the applicant is seeking a renewal license. Applicants must complete one of these courses as a requirement for attaining licensure as a used motor vehicle dealer, unless specifically exempted under one of the following categories:

- A used motor vehicle dealer whose primary business is the sale of salvage vehicles on behalf of insurers.
- A manufactured home dealer who is licensed and complies with the licensing requirements under G.S. 143-143.11B.
- A person aged 62 or older as of July 1, 2002 seeking a renewal license.
- A licensed new motor vehicle dealer who operates an established showroom twenty miles or less from the established showroom where the applicant seeks a used motor vehicle dealer license.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 443 would add two new exemptions from continuing education requirements for the following:

- A motor vehicle dealer that has been incorporated for at least twenty-five years and at least one of the officers of the corporation has been licensed for at least twenty-five years.
- An applicant already licensed for at least twenty-five years.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is effective when it becomes law.

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