

HOUSE BILL 613: The Vehicle Registration Convenience Act.

2025-2026 General Assembly

Committee: House Transportation. If favorable, re-refer to Date: April 30, 2025

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Introduced by: Reps. Echevarria, Loftis, Almond Prepared by: Wendy Ray Analysis of: PCS to First Edition Staff Attorney

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OVERVIEW: The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 613 would allow a vehicle owner to choose, upon initial issuance of the vehicle's registration, what month the registration would expire and have to be renewed.

CURRENT LAW: Motor vehicles must be registered with the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles to be operated on the highway. A vehicle owner must apply to the Division to register the vehicle, and the registration must be renewed annually. The vehicle owner must pay the registration fee and motor vehicle taxes in order to register the vehicle and annually thereafter to renew.

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS for House Bill 613 would allow a vehicle owner, when first registering a vehicle, to elect a month within the subsequent 12 months for the registration to expire. If the initial registration period is less than a year, the registration fee and motor vehicles taxes would be prorated accordingly. Renewal would be required on an annual basis thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act would become effective January 1, 2026, and would apply to vehicles registered on or after that date.

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