

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 871
SENATE BILL 815

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR RECIPROCITY LICENSE AND REGISTRATION FOR
PASSENGER BUSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Amend Chapter 20 of the General Statutes by adding a new section to be designated G.S. 20-87.1 and to read as follows:

"§ 20-87.1. **Reciprocity; passenger buses operated by common carrier of passengers.** —

(a) Passenger buses operated by any common carrier of passengers for use in intrastate or interstate commerce shall be extended full reciprocity and exempted from registration fees only in such instances where such common carriers of passengers have validly licensed in the State of North Carolina the average number of buses required to operate the total miles operated by it in and through the State during the preceding year. The average number of buses required will be determined by applying the average miles traveled of each bus owned by it into the total miles operated in North Carolina by such carrier during the preceding year. The Department may, in its discretion, verify the average number of buses required by the common carrier of passengers during the licensing year in and through the State. Upon payment by the common carrier of passengers of the prescribed fees or taxes, the Department shall issue registration certificates and license plates for the average number of buses required by such common carrier of passengers. Thereafter, all buses properly identified and licensed in any state, territory, province, county or the District of Columbia, and used by such common carrier of passengers shall be permitted to operate on an interstate or intrastate basis.

(b) When a resident common carrier of passengers of this State interchanges a properly licensed bus with another common carrier of passengers who is a resident of another state, and adequate records are on file in its office to verify such interchanges, the North Carolina licensed common carrier of passengers may use the bus licensed in such other state the same as if it is its own during the time the non- resident carrier is using the North Carolina licensed bus."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective January 1, 1972.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 16th day of July, 1971.