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50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; AMENDING MULTIPLE SECTIONS OF THE
MOTOR VEHICLE CODE TO PROVIDE FOR AN ANNUAL DISABILITY FUND FEE
IN ADDITION TO OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES TO ASSIST
IN FUNDING DISABILITY-RELATED ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 66-6-1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
Chapter 35, Section 336, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-6-1. MOTORCYCLES--REGISTRATION FEES.--

A. For the registration of motorcycles, the
department shall collect the following fees for a twelve-month
registration period:

- (1) for a motorcycle having not more than two
wheels in contact with the ground, fifteen dollars (\$15.00);
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1 (2) for a motorcycle having three wheels in
2 contact with the ground or having a sidecar, fifteen dollars
3 (\$15.00).

4 B. In addition to other fees required by this
5 section, the department shall collect for each motorcycle an
6 annual tire recycling fee of one dollar (\$1.00) for a twelve-
7 month registration period.

8 C. In addition to other fees required by this
9 section, the department shall collect for each motorcycle an
10 annual disability fund fee of four dollars (\$4.00) for a
11 twelve-month registration period. The division shall pay the
12 fee it collects pursuant to this subsection to the state
13 treasurer, who shall distribute four dollars (\$4.00) of the fee
14 to the disability fund and credit one dollar (\$1.00) of the fee
15 to the motor vehicle suspense fund, to be distributed in
16 accordance with Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978."

17 SECTION 2. Section 66-6-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
18 Chapter 35, Section 337, as amended) is amended to read:

19 "66-6-2. PASSENGER VEHICLES--REGISTRATION FEES.--For the
20 registration of motor vehicles other than motorcycles, trucks,
21 buses and tractors, the division shall collect the following
22 fees for each twelve-month registration period:

23 A. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping
24 weight is not more than two thousand pounds, twenty-seven
25 dollars (\$27.00); provided, however, that after five years of

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1 registration, calculated from the date when the vehicle was
2 first registered in this or another state, the fee is twenty-
3 one dollars (\$21.00);

4 B. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping
5 weight is more than two thousand but not more than three
6 thousand pounds, thirty-nine dollars (\$39.00); provided,
7 however, that after five years of registration, calculated from
8 the date when the vehicle was first registered in this or
9 another state, the fee is thirty-one dollars (\$31.00);

10 C. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping
11 weight is more than three thousand pounds, fifty-six dollars
12 (\$56.00); provided, however, that after five years of
13 registration, calculated from the date when the vehicle was
14 first registered in this or another state, the fee is forty-
15 five dollars (\$45.00); [~~and~~]

16 D. for a vehicle registered pursuant to the
17 provisions of this section, a tire recycling fee of one dollar
18 fifty cents (\$1.50); and

19 E. for a vehicle registered pursuant to the
20 provisions of this section, an annual disability fund fee of
21 five dollars (\$5.00). The division shall pay the fee it
22 collects pursuant to this subsection to the state treasurer,
23 who shall distribute four dollars (\$4.00) of the fee to the
24 disability fund and credit one dollar (\$1.00) of the fee to the
25 motor vehicle suspense fund, to be distributed in accordance

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1 with Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978."

2 SECTION 3. Section 66-6-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
3 Chapter 35, Section 339, as amended) is amended to read:

4 "66-6-4. REGISTRATION FEES--TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, ROAD
5 TRACTORS AND BUSES.--

6 A. Within their respective jurisdictions, the motor
7 vehicle division, and the motor transportation division of the
8 department of public safety, shall charge registration fees for
9 trucks, truck tractors, road tractors and buses, except as
10 otherwise provided by law, according to the schedule of
11 Subsection B of this section.

| B. Declared Gross Weight | Fee |
|--------------------------|------|
| 001 to 4,000 | \$40 |
| 4,001 to 6,000 | 55 |
| 6,001 to 8,000 | 69 |
| 8,001 to 10,000 | 84 |
| 10,001 to 12,000 | 99 |
| 12,001 to 14,000 | 113 |
| 14,001 to 16,000 | 128 |
| 16,001 to 18,000 | 143 |
| 18,001 to 20,000 | 157 |
| 20,001 to 22,000 | 172 |
| 22,001 to 24,000 | 187 |
| 24,001 to 26,000 | 201 |
| 26,001 to 48,000 | 118 |

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1 48,001 and over 172.

2 C. All trucks whose declared gross weight or whose
3 gross vehicle weight is less than twenty-six thousand pounds,
4 after five years of registration, calculated from the date when
5 the vehicle was first registered in this or another state,
6 shall be charged registration fees at eighty percent of the
7 rate set out in Subsection B of this section.

8 D. All trucks with a gross vehicle weight of more
9 than twenty-six thousand pounds and all truck tractors and road
10 tractors used to tow freight trailers shall be registered on
11 the basis of gross combination vehicle weight.

12 E. All trucks with a gross vehicle weight of
13 twenty-six thousand pounds or less shall be registered on the
14 basis of gross vehicle weight. A trailer, semitrailer or pole
15 trailer towed by a truck of such gross vehicle weight shall be
16 classified as a utility trailer for registration purposes
17 unless otherwise provided by law.

18 F. All farm vehicles having a declared gross weight
19 of more than six thousand pounds shall be charged registration
20 fees of two-thirds of the rate of the respective fees provided
21 in this section and shall be issued distinctive registration
22 plates. "Farm vehicle" means a vehicle owned by a person whose
23 principal occupation is farming or ranching and which vehicle
24 is used principally in the transportation of farm and ranch
25 products to market and farm and ranch supplies and livestock

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1 from the place of purchase to farms and ranches in this state;
2 provided that the vehicle is not used for hire.

3 G. In addition to other registration fees imposed
4 by this section, beginning July 1, 1994, an annual tire
5 recycling fee of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) is imposed at
6 the time of registration on each vehicle subject to a
7 registration fee pursuant to this section, except for vehicles
8 with a declared gross weight of greater than twenty-six
9 thousand pounds upon which registration fees are imposed by
10 Subsection B of this section.

11 H. Three percent of registration fees of trucks
12 having from twenty-six thousand one pounds to forty-eight
13 thousand pounds declared gross vehicle weight is to be
14 transferred to the recycling and illegal dumping fund pursuant
15 to the provisions of Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978.

16 I. Three and seventy-five hundredths percent of
17 registration fees of trucks in excess of forty-eight thousand
18 pounds declared gross vehicle weight is to be transferred to
19 the recycling and illegal dumping fund pursuant to the
20 provisions of Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978.

21 J. In addition to other registration fees imposed
22 by this section, an annual disability fund fee of five dollars
23 (\$5.00) is imposed at the time of registration on each vehicle
24 subject to a registration fee pursuant to this section. The
25 division shall pay the fee it collects pursuant to this

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1 subsection to the state treasurer, who shall distribute four
2 dollars (\$4.00) of the fee to the disability fund and credit
3 one dollar (\$1.00) of the fee to the motor vehicle suspense
4 fund, to be distributed in accordance with Section 66-6-23 NMSA
5 1978."

6 SECTION 4. Section 66-6-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
7 Chapter 35, Section 340, as amended) is amended to read:

8 "66-6-5. BUS REGISTRATION FEES.--

9 A. All buses shall pay the registration fees
10 provided in Section 66-6-4 NMSA 1978, except for school buses
11 and buses operated by religious or nonprofit charitable
12 organizations for the express purpose of the organization for
13 which the annual registration fee is seven dollars (\$7.00).

14 B. In addition to other registration fees imposed
15 by this section, beginning July 1, 1994, there is imposed at
16 the time of registration an annual tire recycling fee of fifty
17 cents (\$.50) per wheel that is in contact with the ground on
18 each vehicle subject to a registration fee pursuant to this
19 section.

20 C. In addition to other registration fees imposed
21 by this section, an annual disability fund fee of five dollars
22 (\$5.00) is imposed at the time of registration on each bus
23 subject to a registration fee pursuant to this section. The
24 division shall pay the fee it collects pursuant to this
25 subsection to the state treasurer, who shall distribute four

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1 dollars (\$4.00) of the fee to the disability fund and credit
2 one dollar (\$1.00) of the fee to the motor vehicle suspense
3 fund, to be distributed in accordance with Section 66-6-23 NMSA
4 1978."

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