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SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 403(TRA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/29/06

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS, Croft, Gardner

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to registration and operation of low-speed vehicles."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 28.10.421(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The biennial registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the
5 following classifications for:

6 (1) a passenger vehicle, a low-speed vehicle, or motor home not used
7 or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other
8 commercial use \$100;

9 (2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 10,000 pounds unladen
10 weight and not registered in the name of a company or business \$100;

11 (3) a taxicab \$160;

12 (4) a motor bus with a seating capacity for 20 or more persons and
13 used exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of visitors or tourists
14 \$300;

15 (5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle..... \$60;

(6) a trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility trailer, house trailer, travel trailer, or a trailer rented or offered for rent \$30.

* **Sec. 2.** AS 28.10.421(c) is amended to read:

(c) The biennial registration fees under this subsection are imposed and are based upon the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the actual weight, which the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or the commissioner's representative, for a vehicle, including **a low-speed vehicle and** a motor vehicle pulling a trailer or semi-trailer, that is registered in the name of a company or business, or is used or maintained for the transportation of passengers for hire, excepting taxicabs and buses under (b) of this section, or for the transportation of property for hire or for other commercial purposes, including a **low-speed vehicle**, truck, wrecker, tow car, hearse, ambulance, and tractor, as follows:

- (1) up to and including 5,000 pounds \$180;
- (2) more than 5,000 pounds to and including 12,000 pounds \$268;
- (3) more than 12,000 pounds to and including 18,000 pounds .. \$516;
- (4) more than 18,000 pounds \$662.

* **Sec. 3.** AS 28.10.421(h) is amended to read:

(h) The annual registration fees under this subsection for vehicles, **including low-speed vehicles**, used for commercial purposes are imposed and are based upon the actual unladen weight as established by the manufacturer's advertised weight or upon the actual weight, which the owner shall furnish, subject to the approval of the commissioner or the commissioner's representative, as follows:

- (1) up to and including 5,000 pounds \$90;
- (2) more than 5,000 pounds to and including 12,000 pounds \$134;
- (3) more than 12,000 pounds to and including 18,000 pounds .. \$258;
- (4) more than 18,000 pounds \$331.

* **Sec. 4.** AS 28.35 is amended by adding a new section to article 5 to read:

Sec. 28.35.261. Operation of low-speed vehicles. (a) The operator of a low-

1 speed vehicle is subject to all the traffic and other laws applicable to operators of
2 passenger vehicles.

3 (b) The operator of a low-speed vehicle may not operate that vehicle on a
4 highway that has a maximum speed of more than 35 miles an hour. Notwithstanding
5 this subsection, the operator of a low-speed vehicle may cross a highway that has a
6 maximum speed limit of more than 35 miles an hour if the crossing is made at the
7 intersection with a highway that is authorized for low-speed vehicles.

8 (c) Notwithstanding AS 28.01.010, a municipality may, by ordinance, further
9 restrict the operation of low-speed vehicles within its jurisdiction.

10 * **Sec. 5.** AS 28.40.100(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

11 (27) "low-speed vehicle" means a motor vehicle that has four wheels,
12 that was manufactured to be capable of propelling itself and achieving a minimum
13 speed of 20 miles an hour and a maximum speed of 25 miles an hour, that has not been
14 modified to have a maximum speed greater than 25 miles an hour, and that meets
15 weight, equipment, and safety standards set by the department by regulation; weight,
16 equipment, and safety standards shall be consistent with, and may not exceed, federal
17 standards.