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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY  
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 197

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act increasing highway-related taxes and fees;  
7 and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 28.10.127(d) is amended to read:

10 (d) The department shall charge the owner a fee of \$25 [\$15] for  
11 the issuance of a license.

12 \* Sec. 2. AS 28.10.200(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) The annual tax is as follows:

14 (1) for [FOR] a motorcycle, \$25 [\$15];

15 (2) except as provided in (b)(7), (b)(8), [AND] (b)(9) and  
16 (b)(10) of this section, for a motor vehicle not designed, used, or  
17 maintained primarily for the transportation of passengers or property  
18 for hire, \$50 [\$30];

19 (3) for a motor vehicle for hire, operated as and known as  
20 a taxicab, \$100 [\$65];

21 (4) for a motor vehicle, whether or not pulling a trailer  
22 or semi-trailer, used or maintained for the commercial transportation  
23 of passengers for hire, excepting taxicabs, and excepting buses taxed  
24 under (b)(5) of this section, or for the commercial transportation or  
25 hauling of property, including, but not limited to, a vehicle such as  
26 a trailer, semi-trailer, truck, wrecker, tow car, hearse, ambulance,  
27 and truck-tractor, a tax based upon the actual unladen weight as  
28 established by the manufacturer's advertised weight, or upon the  
29 actual weight which the owner has the responsibility of furnishing,

1 subject to the approval of the commissioner or his agent, as follows:

2 5,000 pounds or less ..... \$70 [\$45];

3 5,001 pounds and not over 12,000 pounds ..... \$130 [\$80];

4 12,001 pounds and not over 18,000 pounds ..... \$250 [\$150];

5 18,001 pounds and over ..... \$350 [\$215];

6 (5) for motor buses of 20 or more seating capacity used  
7 exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of transient  
8 vistors and tourists, \$130 [\$80];

9 (6) for a two- or four-wheeled trailer not used for the  
10 commercial transportation or hauling of property, including, but not  
11 limited to, a boat trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility  
12 trailer and house trailer, \$15 [\$5];

13 (7) for a mobile amateur radio station for which special  
14 registration plates are issued, the applicant, in recognition of his  
15 service to the public, shall not pay any additional charges for special  
16 registration plates, provided he annually files his registration  
17 before November 1; in addition to the requirements of sec. 50(a)(5) of  
18 this chapter, the station must be satisfactorily proved capable of  
19 being utilized 24 hours a day; must have a transceiver capable of  
20 operating on 75 meters through 10 meters, must have antenna, and must  
21 have a power supply and wiring as a permanent part of the vehicle; the  
22 transmitting unit may be removed from the car for service or dry  
23 storage; the annual license tax is \$1 for mobile amateur radio station  
24 vehicles included in (b)(2) or (8) of this section, provided the  
25 annual registration is filed before November 1;

26 (8) for a pickup truck or van which does not exceed 6,000  
27 pounds, unladen weight, and which is not used[,] or maintained for the  
28 transportation of passengers or property for hire or for other commercial  
29 use, \$60 [\$35];

1 (9) for a vehicle registration fee under (2) of this sub-  
2 section, a registrant who is a disabled veteran receiving at least 70  
3 per cent disability compensation may register one vehicle a year  
4 without charge;

5 (10) for motor vehicles owned by consular officers of  
6 foreign governments who furnish suitable evidence that they are  
7 consular officers of foreign governments, \$50 [\$30]; the license plate  
8 shall reflect the title "consular corps" or "cc" on its face; [.]

9 (11) for a vehicle registration by a person who presents  
10 written proof, in the form of an affidavit signed by a physician  
11 licensed to practice in this state, that he is 70 per cent medically  
12 handicapped or that he is disabled to the extent that special con-  
13 sideration should be given by the public with respect to the parking  
14 or standing in designated spaces of a vehicle which he registers, \$50  
15 [\$30] for one vehicle, and he may receive from the division a special  
16 registration plate which displays the standard handicap symbol (the  
17 wheelchair logo).

18 \* Sec. 3. AS 28.10.250 is amended to read:

19 Sec. 28.10.250. SPECIAL TAX ON DEALERS. Upon application for  
20 the first set of dealer's demonstration registration plates the tax is  
21 \$60 [\$37.50], and for each additional set, \$40 [\$18.75]. These plates  
22 shall be used only in demonstrating vehicles for sale and shall not be  
23 used on any one vehicle for more than 30 consecutive days. However,  
24 if the dealer sells or transfers the vehicle, the demonstration plates  
25 may be used on the vehicle by the owner or transferee for a period not  
26 exceeding five days after the sale or transfer. The dealer is respon-  
27 sible for the return of the demonstration plates at the end of the  
28 five-day period. If the dealer fails to effect the return of the  
29 plates, the department shall revoke and confiscate them.

1 \* Sec. 4. AS 28.15.340 is amended to read:

2       Sec. 28.15.340. FEES. The fees for licenses and permits are as  
3 follows:

4	operator's license and renewal .....	\$ <u>15</u>	[5.00]
5	school bus driver's permit .....	<u>5</u>	[2.00]
6	instruction permit .....	<u>2</u>	[1.00]
7	special operator's permit (motor scooters or		
8	motor bicycles) .....	<u>6</u>	[2.00]
9	duplicate instruction permit or operator's license.	<u>5</u>	[1.00]
10	instruction permit, renewal .....	<u>2</u>	[NONE]
11	instruction permit, restricted .....	<u>2</u>	[NONE]
12	temporary driver's permit .....	<u>2</u>	[NONE]
13	school bus driver's permit, renewal .....	<u>2</u>	[NONE]

14 \* Sec. 5. AS 43.40.010(a) is amended to read:

15                   CHAPTER 40. MOTOR FUEL [OIL] TAX.

16       (a) There is levied a tax of 13 [EIGHT] cents a gallon on all  
17 motor fuel sold or otherwise transferred within the state, except that

18               (1) the tax on aviation gasoline is four cents a gallon,

19               (2) the tax on motor fuel used in engines for the propul-  
20 sion of boats and watercraft of all descriptions is four cents a  
21 gallon; if a person claims an exemption for nonpropulsion use under  
22 this paragraph, he shall sign a statement at the time of the sale or  
23 transfer attesting to the fact that the amount of fuel for which he  
24 claims the exemption will be used only for nonpropulsion use aboard a  
25 boat or watercraft, and

26               (3) the tax on all aviation fuel other than gasoline is two  
27 and one-half cents a gallon.

28 \* Sec. 6. AS 43.40.010(b) is amended to read:

29       (b) There is levied a tax of 13 [EIGHT] cents a gallon on all

1 motor fuel consumed by a user, except that

2 (1) the tax on aviation gasoline consumed is four cents a  
3 gallon. [.]

4 (2) the tax on motor fuel used in engines for the propul-  
5 sion of boats and watercraft of all descriptions is four cents a  
6 gallon; if a person claims an exemption for nonpropulsion use under  
7 this paragraph, he shall sign a statement at the time of purchase  
8 attesting to the fact that the amount of fuel for which he claims the  
9 exemption will be used only for nonpropulsion use aboard a boat or  
10 watercraft, and

11 (3) the tax on all aviation fuel other than gasoline is two  
12 and one-half cents a gallon.

13 \* Sec. 7. Secs. 1 - 4 of this Act take effect January 1, 1978. Secs.  
14 5 and 6 of this Act take effect July 1, 1977.