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BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to motor vehicles and mobile homes; and providing for an
2 effective date."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 28.10.071(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) The department shall review each application for registration received and,
6 when satisfied that it is correct, register the vehicle and keep a record of the
7 registration in suitable books, index cards, or electronic or photographic recording and
8 storage media, or in any combination of them. The [RECORD IS REFERRED TO AS
9 THE "VEHICLE REGISTER" AND THE] vehicles are referred to as "registered
10 vehicles." The department may compile a record of the number and types of vehicles
11 registered in this state and may make statistical data available to the public for a fee
12 as prescribed in regulations adopted by the commissioner. The department may also
13 provide vehicle registration lists to the public for a fee as an electronic service or
14 product under AS 09.25.115. The commissioner may prescribe, by regulation, fees

1 relating to the provision of vehicle registration lists.

2 * Sec. 2. AS 28.10.071(c) is amended to read:

3 (c) The department shall keep a record of the registrations of vehicles used in
4 law enforcement work when secrecy is necessary. This record is separate from the
5 record [VEHICLE REGISTER] required by (a) of this section and may be disclosed
6 only to and upon the request of the chief peace officer of a municipality, a state
7 trooper district commander, the chief federal law enforcement officer assigned to the
8 state, or to a court upon an appropriate order.

9 * Sec. 3. AS 28.10.181(c) is amended to read:

10 (c) Special request plates. Upon application by the owner of a passenger
11 vehicle, motorcycle, noncommercial van or pick-up truck, or motor home, the
12 department shall design and issue registration plates containing a series of not more
13 than six letters or numbers or combination of letters and numbers as requested by the
14 owner. The department may, in its discretion, disapprove the issuance of registration
15 plates under this subsection when the requested symbols are a duplication of an
16 existing registration or when the symbols are considered unacceptable by the
17 department. The department may also design and issue special registration plates
18 depicting Alaska plant life, fish, wildlife, geography, history, or other depictions
19 of the state.

20 * Sec. 4. AS 28.10.181(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

21 (d) Vehicles owned by disabled veterans, including persons disabled in the line
22 of duty while serving in the Alaska Territorial Guard, or other persons with disabilities.
23 Upon the request of a person with a disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk,
24 as defined in 23 C.F.R. 1235.2, the department shall (1) register one passenger vehicle
25 in the name of the person without charge; and (2) issue a specially designed
26 registration plate that displays (A) recognition of the disabled veteran if the applicant's
27 disability originated from the applicant's service with the Alaska Territorial Guard or
28 the armed forces of the United States; and (B) the standard symbol of disability (the
29 wheelchair logo). A disabled veteran who is not otherwise qualified under this
30 subsection, but who presents to the department written proof that the person is at least
31 70 percent disabled or medically handicapped as a consequence of service in the

1 Alaska Territorial Guard or the armed forces of the United States, may register one
2 passenger vehicle without charge and the department shall issue a specially designed
3 registration plate that displays recognition of the disabled veteran that does not display
4 the standard handicap symbol and does not carry with it special parking privileges.

5 * Sec. 5. AS 28.10.181(j) is amended to read:

6 (j) Vehicles owned by dealers. A state-registered and bonded vehicle dealer
7 may apply for dealer registration plates. A plate issued under this subsection may be
8 used only on dealer-owned vehicles during the routine and normal course of the
9 dealer's business, excluding service vehicles, or for transporting an unregistered vehicle
10 from a port of entry to the dealer's facilities or from one dealer to another or, in the
11 case of a house trailer, from the retail facility to a trailer space. A vehicle permitted
12 to have dealer plates must be affixed with two plates issued under this subsection.
13 If the dealer sells or transfers the vehicle, the dealer plates may be used on the vehicle
14 by the new owner or transferee for a period of not more than five days after the sale
15 or transfer. The department may seize the dealer plates if it has reason to believe that
16 the plates are being used to defeat the purposes of, or are in violation of, this chapter.

17 * Sec. 6. AS 28.10.201(b) is amended to read:

18 (b) The owner of a vehicle described in AS 28.10.011 as being exempt from
19 registration and the owner of a snowmobile or off-highway vehicle may not apply for,
20 nor may the department issue, a certificate of title for such a vehicle. However, the
21 department may issue a certificate of title to the owner of a vehicle exempt from
22 registration under AS 28.10.011(3), (6), (7), or (11) [OR (12)] only upon application
23 by that owner.

24 * Sec. 7. AS 28.10.411(f) is amended to read:

25 (f) A resident 65 years of age or older on January 1 of the year the vehicle is
26 registered is entitled to an exemption once each calendar year from the registration
27 fee required under this section for one motor vehicle subject to registration under
28 AS 28.10.421(b)(1), (2), (5), or (6). An exemption may not be granted except upon
29 written application for the exemption on a form prescribed by the department.

30 * Sec. 8. AS 28.10.421(a) is amended to read:

31 (a) Unless otherwise provided by law,

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		[\$ 8]	[\$ 7]	[\$ 6]	[\$ 5]	\$ 4	\$ 3	\$ 2	\$ 2
(2) vehicles speci-	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	
fied in AS 28.10.-	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[15]	[10]	[5]	
421(b)(1)									
(3) vehicles speci-	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	
fied in AS 28.10.-	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[15]	[10]	[5]	
421(b)(3)									
(4) vehicles speci-									
fied in AS 28.10.-									
421(c)(1) - (4)									
5,000 pounds or	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	
less	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[15]	[10]	[5]	
5,001 - 12,000	<u>110</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>11</u>	
pounds	[100]	[80]	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[10]	
12,001 - 18,000	<u>165</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	
pounds	[150]	[120]	[100]	[80]	[60]	[40]	[30]	[20]	
18,001 pounds	<u>220</u>	<u>176</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>110</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>22</u>	
or over	[200]	[160]	[130]	[100]	[80]	[60]	[40]	[20]	
(5) vehicles speci-	<u>110</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>11</u>	
fied in AS 28.10.-	[100]	[80]	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[10]	
421(b)(4)									
(6) vehicles speci-	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>					
fied in AS 28.10.-	[8]	[7]	[6]	[5]	4	3	2	2	
421(b)(6)									
(7) vehicles speci-	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	
fied in AS 28.10.-	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[15]	[10]	[5]	
421(d)(9)									
(8) vehicles speci-	<u>66</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	
fied in AS 28.10.-	[60]	[50]	[40]	[30]	[20]	[15]	[10]	[5]	
421(b)(2)									
(9) vehicles eligible	<u>44</u>								

1 for dealer plates [40]
2 under AS 28.10.-
3 421(d)(10).

4 * Sec. 11. AS 28.10.431(e) is amended to read:

5 (e) The department shall refund money collected under this section, less eight
6 [FIVE] percent as collection costs, to a municipality for which the money was
7 collected, as determined by (1) the address of residence of an individual required to
8 pay the tax, or (2) the situs of the vehicle if the vehicle is not owned by an individual;
9 the tax situs is the location at which the motor vehicle is usually, normally, or
10 regularly kept or used. For the first year in which the tax is levied within a
11 municipality, the department may retain actual costs of collection of the tax within the
12 municipality as determined by the department.

13 * Sec. 12. AS 28.10.495(c) is amended to read:

14 (c) Proof of disablement or medical handicap, for the purpose of this section,
15 shall be the same as that required for the purposes of AS 28.10.181(d)(2)
16 [PROVIDED AS SPECIFIED IN AS 28.10.181(d)].

17 * Sec. 13. AS 28.40.100(a)(21) is amended to read:

18 (21) "vehicle" means a device in, upon, or by which a person or
19 property may be transported or drawn upon or immediately over a highway or
20 vehicular way or area; "vehicle" does not include

21 (A) [EXCEPT] devices used exclusively upon stationary rails
22 or tracks;

23 (B) mobile homes;

24 * Sec. 14. AS 28.10.011(12), 28.10.181(k), 28.10.421(d)(12), and AS 28.22.011(a)(3) are
25 repealed.

26 * Sec. 15. Sections 1 - 9 and 12 - 14 of this Act take effect July 1, 1993.

27 * Sec. 16. Sections 10 and 11 of this Act take effect January 1, 1994.