

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 248

By: Reynolds

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 2001, Section 1132, which relates to the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act; providing for a credit against the registration fee for certain vehicles; requiring Oklahoma Tax Commission to refund certain fees if specified documentation is presented; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2001, Section 1132, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1132. A. For all vehicles, unless otherwise specifically provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act, a registration fee shall be assessed at the time of initial registration by the owner and annually thereafter, for the use of the avenues of public access within this state in the following amounts:

1. For the first through the fourth year of registration in this state or any other state, Eighty-five Dollars (\$85.00);

2. For the fifth through the eighth year of registration in this state or any other state, Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00);

3. For the ninth through the twelfth year of registration in this state or any other state, Fifty-five Dollars (\$55.00);

4. For the thirteenth through the sixteenth year of registration in this state or any other state, Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00); and

5. For the seventeenth and any following year of registration in this state or any other state, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00).

The registration fee provided for in this subsection shall be in lieu of all other taxes, general or local, unless otherwise specifically provided.

B. There shall be a credit allowed with respect to the fee for registration of a new vehicle which is a replacement for:

1. A new original vehicle which is stolen from the purchaser/registrant within ninety (90) days of the date of purchase of the original vehicle as certified by a police report or other documentation as required by the Oklahoma Tax Commission; or

2. A defective new original vehicle returned by the purchaser/registrant to the seller within six (6) months of the date of purchase of the defective new original vehicle as certified by the manufacturer.

The credit shall be in the amount of the fee for registration which was paid for the new original vehicle and shall be applied to the registration fee for the replacement vehicle. In no event will the credit be refunded.

C. There shall be a credit allowed with respect to the fee for registration of any vehicle if the owner is assigned to active duty outside of this state as a member of the United States Armed Forces, military reserves or National Guard and the vehicle was in storage and not in use by any person during the period for which the vehicle was registered. The Tax Commission shall prorate and refund the amount paid by the registrant for all such periods which occur after the effective date of this act if the owner provides such documentation as the Tax Commission deems necessary to certify that the vehicle was in storage and not in use by any person during the period for which the credit is claimed.

D. Upon every transfer or change of ownership of a vehicle, the new owner shall obtain title for and, except in the case of salvage vehicles and manufactured homes, register the vehicle within thirty (30) days of change of ownership and pay a transfer fee of Fifteen

Dollars (\$15.00) in addition to any other fees provided for in this act. No new decal shall be issued to the registrant. Thereafter, the owner shall register the vehicle annually on the anniversary date of its initial registration in this state and shall pay the fees provided in subsection A of this section and receive a decal evidencing such payment. Provided, used motor vehicle dealers shall be exempt from the provisions of this section.

~~D.~~ E. In the event the vehicle is not registered, titled and tagged within thirty (30) days from the date of transfer of ownership, the penalty for the failure of the owner of the vehicle to register the vehicle within thirty (30) days shall be twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day, provided that in no event shall the penalty exceed Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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