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1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024) 3 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 4 FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3898 By: Davis 5 6 7 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 8 2021, Section 1105, as amended by Section 110, 9 Chapter 282, O.S.L. 2022 (47 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 1105), which relates to definitions; exempting 10 certain commercial vehicles from inspection upon payment of fees and submission of affidavit; requiring Service Oklahoma to prescribe form and 11 contents of certain affidavit; amending 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1115, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 12 246, O.S.L. 2023 (47 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 1115), 1.3 which relates to vehicles required to be registered; providing for biennial and triennial registration of 14 certain vehicles; authorizing Service Oklahoma to promulgate certain rules; setting fees; authorizing 15 licensed operators to retain certain fees; amending 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1133, which relates to the 16 registration of commercial vehicles; providing for biennial and triennial registration of commercial 17 vehicles and trailers; modifying name of responsible agency; setting fees; authorizing licensed operators 18 to retain certain fees; authorizing Service Oklahoma to promulgate certain rules; and providing an 19 effective date. 20 21 22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 23 24

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1105, as
2 amended by Section 110, Chapter 282, O.S.L. 2022 (47 O.S. Supp.
3 2023, Section 1105), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1105. A. As used in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act:

- 1. "Salvage vehicle" means any vehicle which is within the last ten (10) model years and which has been damaged by collision or other occurrence to the extent that the cost of repairing the vehicle for safe operation on the highway exceeds sixty percent (60%) of its fair market value, as defined by Section 1111 of this title, immediately prior to the damage. For purposes of this section, actual repair costs shall only include labor and parts for actual damage to the suspension, motor, transmission, frame or unibody and designated structural components;
- 2. "Rebuilt vehicle" means any salvage vehicle which has been rebuilt and inspected for the purpose of registration and title;
- 3. "Flood-damaged vehicle" means a salvage or rebuilt vehicle which was damaged by flooding or a vehicle which was submerged at a level to or above the dashboard of the vehicle and on which an amount of loss was paid by the insurer;
- 4. "Unrecovered-theft vehicle" means a vehicle which has been stolen and not yet recovered;
- 5. "Recovered-theft vehicle" means a vehicle, including a salvage or rebuilt vehicle, which was recovered from a theft; and

6. "Junked vehicle" means any vehicle which is incapable of operation or use on the highway, has no resale value except as a source of parts or scrap and has an eighty percent (80%) loss in fair market value.

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The owner of every vehicle in this state shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership of such vehicle, except those vehicles registered pursuant to Section 1120 of this title and trailers registered pursuant to Section 1133 of this title, previously titled by anyone in another state and engaged in interstate commerce, and except as provided in subsection M of this section. Except for owners that possess an agricultural exemption permit pursuant to Section 1358.1 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the owner of an all-terrain vehicle or a motorcycle used exclusively off roads or highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2005, and the owner of a utility vehicle used exclusively off roads and highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2008, shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership. Any person possessing an agricultural exemption permit and owning an all-terrain vehicle or a motorcycle used exclusively off roads or highways in this state which is purchased or the ownership of which is transferred on or after July 1, 2008, shall possess a certificate of title as proof of ownership. Upon receipt of proper application information by such

1 owner, Service Oklahoma shall issue an original or transfer certificate of title. Until July 1, 2008, any security interest in an all-terrain vehicle that attached and was perfected before July 3 4 1, 2005, and that has not otherwise terminated shall remain 5 perfected, and shall take priority over any subsequently perfected security interest in the same all-terrain vehicle, notwithstanding 6 7 that a certificate of title may have been issued with respect to the same all-terrain vehicle on or after July 1, 2005, and that a lien may have been recorded on said certificate of title. There shall be eight types of certificates of title: 10

 Original title for any motor vehicle which is not a remanufactured, salvage, unrecovered-theft, rebuilt, rebodied or junked vehicle;

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- 2. Salvage title for any motor vehicle which is a salvage vehicle or is specified as a salvage vehicle or the equivalent thereof on a certificate of title from another state;
- 3. Rebuilt title for any motor vehicle which is a rebuilt vehicle;
- 4. Junked title for any motor vehicle which is a junked vehicle or is specified as a junked vehicle or the equivalent thereof on a certificate of title from another state;
- 5. Classic title for any motor vehicle, except a junked vehicle, which is twenty-five (25) model years or older;

6. Remanufactured title for any vehicle which is a remanufactured vehicle;

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- 7. Unrecovered-theft title for any motor vehicle which has been stolen and not recovered; and
- 8. Rebodied title for any motor vehicle which is a rebodied vehicle.

Application for a certificate of title, whether the initial certificate of title or a duplicate, may be made to Service Oklahoma or any licensed operator. When application is made with a licensed operator, the application information shall be transmitted either electronically or by mail to Service Oklahoma by the licensed operator. If the application information is transmitted electronically, the licensed operator shall forward the required application along with evidence of ownership, where required, by mail. Where the transmission of application information cannot be performed electronically, Service Oklahoma is authorized to provide postage paid envelopes to licensed operators for the purpose of mailing the application along with evidence of ownership, where required. Service Oklahoma shall upon receipt of proper application information issue an Oklahoma certificate of title. certificates may be mailed to the applicant. Upon issuance of a certificate of title, Service Oklahoma shall provide the appropriate licensed operator with confirmation of such issuance.

- C. 1. The application for certificate of title shall be upon a blank form furnished by Service Oklahoma, containing:
 - a. a full description of the vehicle,
 - b. the manufacturer's serial or other identification number,
 - c. the motor number and the date on which first sold by the manufacturer or dealer to the owner,
 - d. any distinguishing marks,

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- e. a statement of the applicant's source of title,
- f. any security interest upon the vehicle, and
- g. such other information as Service Oklahoma may require.
- 2. The application for a certificate of title for a vehicle which is within the last seven (7) model years shall require a declaration as to whether the vehicle has been damaged by collision or other occurrence and whether the vehicle has been recovered from theft and the extent of the damage to the vehicle. The declaration shall be made by the owner of a vehicle if:
 - a. the vehicle has been damaged or stolen,
 - b. the owner did or did not receive any payment for the loss from an insurer, or
 - c. the vehicle is titled or registered in a state that does not classify the vehicle or brand the title

because of damage to or loss of the vehicle similar to the classifications or brands utilized by this state.

The declaration shall be based upon the best information and knowledge of the owner and shall be in addition to the requirements specified in paragraph 1 of this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall not issue a certificate of title for a vehicle which is subject to the provisions of this paragraph without the required declaration, completed and signed by the owner of the vehicle. Upon receipt of an application without the properly completed declaration, Service Oklahoma shall return the application to the applicant with notice that the title may not be issued without the required declaration. Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit Service Oklahoma from recognizing the type of or brand on a title or other ownership document issued by another state or the inspection conducted in another state and issuing the appropriate certificate of title for the vehicle.

- 3. The certificate of title shall have the following security features:
 - a. intaglio printing or security thread, with or without watermark,
 - b. latent images,

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- c. fluorescent inks,
- d. micro print,
- e. void background, and

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- 4. Each title issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act shall be color coded as determined by Service Oklahoma.
- The certificate of title shall be of such size and design and color as Service Oklahoma may direct pursuant to the provisions of this section. The title shall be on colored paper or other material as designated by Service Oklahoma and be of such intensity or hue as will allow easy identification as to whether the title is an original title, a salvage title, a rebuilt title, remanufactured title, rebodied title or a junked title. The type of title shall be identified on the front of the certificate of title. The original title, rebuilt title, remanufactured title, an unrecovered-theft title, rebodied title or classic title shall be identified by the word "Original", "Rebuilt", "Remanufactured", "Unrecovered Theft", "Rebodied" or "Classic" printed in the upper right quadrant of the certificate of title, in the space which is currently captioned "type of title". A rebodied title shall also identify on the front of the title the year, make and model of the originally manufactured vehicle which has been rebodied and display a notation that reads as follows: "This vehicle has been assembled with new major components licensed by the original manufacturer."
- D. 1. To obtain an original certificate of title for a vehicle that is being registered for the first time in this state which has

not been previously registered in any other state, the applicant
shall be required to deliver, as evidence of ownership, a
manufacturer's certificate of origin properly assigned by the
manufacturer, distributor, or dealer licensed in this or any other
state shown thereon to be the last transferee to the applicant upon
a form to be prescribed and approved by Service Oklahoma. A
manufacturer's certificate of origin shall contain:

- a. the manufacturer's serial or other identification number,
- b. date on which first sold by the manufacturer to the dealer,
- c. any distinguishing marks including model and the year same was made,
- d. a statement of any security interests upon the vehicle, and
- e. such other information as Service Oklahoma may require.
- 2. The manufacturer's certificate of origin shall have the following security features:
 - a. intaglio printing or security thread, with or without watermark,
 - b. latent images,

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- In the absence of a dealer's or manufacturer's number, Service Oklahoma may assign such identifying number to the vehicle, which shall be permanently stamped, burned or pressed or attached into the vehicle, and a certificate of title shall be delivered to the applicant upon payment of all fees and taxes, and the remaining copies shall be permanently filed and indexed by Service Oklahoma. Service Oklahoma shall assign an identifying number to any rebuilt vehicle if the vehicle identification number displayed on the rebuilt vehicle does not accurately describe the vehicle as rebuilt. The licensed operator, at the time of inspection of the rebuilt vehicle pursuant to Section 1111 of this title, shall identify the make, model, and year for the body to accurately describe the rebuilt vehicle. At the time of the inspection, an appropriate identifying number shall be permanently stamped, burned, pressed, or attached on the rebuilt vehicle. The assigned identifying number shall be recorded on the certificate of title for the rebuilt The dealer's or manufacturer's vehicle identification vehicle. number on the rebuilt vehicle shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years.
 - F. When registering for the first time in this state a vehicle which was not originally manufactured for sale in the United States, to obtain a certificate of title, Service Oklahoma shall require the applicant to deliver:

1. As evidence of ownership, if the vehicle has not previously been titled in the United States, the documents constituting valid proof of ownership in the country in which the vehicle was originally purchased, together with a notarized translation of any such documents; and

2. As evidence of compliance with federal law, copies of the bond release letters for the vehicle issued by the United States

Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of

Transportation, together with a receipt issued by the Internal

Revenue Service indicating that the applicable federal gas guzzler tax has been paid.

Service Oklahoma shall not issue a certificate of title for a vehicle which is subject to the provisions of this paragraph without the required documentation from agencies of the United States and evidence of ownership. Upon receipt of an application without the required documentation, Service Oklahoma shall return the application to the applicant with notice that the certificate of title may not be issued without the required documentation. Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit Service Oklahoma from issuing certificates of title for antique or classic vehicles not driven upon the public streets, roads, or highways, for mini-trucks registered pursuant to Section 1151.3 of this title, or for mediumspeed electric vehicles.

G. When registering in this state a vehicle which was titled in another state and which title contains the name of a secured party on the face of the other state certificate of title, or such state certificate is being held by the secured party in that state or any other state, Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator shall complete a lien entry form as prescribed by Service Oklahoma. owner of such vehicle shall file an affidavit with Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator stating that title to the vehicle is being held by a secured party, has not been issued pursuant to the laws of the state where titled, and that there is an existing lien or encumbrance on the vehicle. The current name and address of the secured party or lienholder shall also be stated in the affidavit. The form of the affidavit shall be prescribed by Service Oklahoma and contain any other information deemed necessary by Service Oklahoma. A statement of the lien or encumbrance shall be included on the Oklahoma certificate of title and the lien or encumbrance shall be deemed continuously perfected as though it had been perfected pursuant to Section 1110 of this title. For completing the lien entry form and recording the security interest on the certificate of title, Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator shall collect a fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) which shall be in addition to other fees provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. The fee, if collected by the licensed operator

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The charge for each certificate of title issued, except for Η. junked titles as defined in paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section, shall be Eleven Dollars (\$11.00), which charge shall be in addition to any other fees or taxes imposed by law for such vehicle. One Dollar (\$1.00) of each such charge shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund through December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, it shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund. However, the charge shall not apply to any vehicle which is to be registered in this state pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 or 1133 of this title and which was registered in another state at least sixty (60) days prior to the time it is required to be registered in this state. When an insurer requests a salvage or junk title in the name of the insurer resulting from the settlement of a total loss claim and upon presentation of appropriate proof of loss documentation as required by Service Oklahoma, such transfer may be processed as one title transaction, without first requiring issuance of a replacement certificate of title in the name of the vehicle owner. The fee shall be Twenty-two Dollars (\$22.00). Two Dollars (\$2.00) of this fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

I. The vehicle identification number of a junked vehicle shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for a period of not less than five (5) years. The charge of junked titles as defined in paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section shall be Four Dollars (\$4.00). The fee remitted to the Tax Commission shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund through December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, this fee shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund.

- J. If a vehicle is sold to a resident of another state destroyed, dismantled, or ceases to be used as a vehicle, the owner shall immediately notify Service Oklahoma. Absent evidence to the contrary, failure to notify Service Oklahoma shall be prima facie evidence that the vehicle has been in continuous operation in this state.
- K. If a vehicle is stolen, the owner shall immediately notify the appropriate law enforcement agency. Immediately after receiving such notification, the law enforcement agency shall notify Service Oklahoma.
- L. Except for all-terrain vehicles, utility vehicles and motorcycles used exclusively for off-road use, no title for an out-of-state vehicle, except any commercial truck or truck-tractor registered pursuant to Section 1120 of this title which is engaged in interstate commerce or any trailer or semitrailer registered pursuant to Section 1133 of this title which is engaged in

- interstate commerce, shall be issued without an inspection of such

 vehicle and payment of a fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00) for such

 inspection; provided, Service Oklahoma may enter into reciprocal

 agreements with other states for such inspections to be performed at

 locations outside the boundaries of this state for vehicles which:
 - 1. Are offered for sale at auction;

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- 2. Have been solely used as vehicles for rent under the ownership of a licensed motor vehicle dealer or a person engaged in the business of renting motor vehicles; or
- 3. Have not been registered in this or any other state for more than one (1) year.

The inspection shall include a comparison of the vehicle identification number on the vehicle with the number recorded on the ownership records and the recording of the actual odometer reading on the vehicle. Commercial vehicles registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 1133 et seq. of this title shall be exempt from the inspection requirement of this subsection, upon payment of any fees required pursuant to this subsection when title is issued and submission of an affidavit to Service Oklahoma or the licensed operator. The form of the affidavit shall be prescribed by Service Oklahoma and contain any information deemed necessary by Service Oklahoma. The four-dollar fee shall be collected by the licensed operator or Service Oklahoma when the title is issued. The licensed operator shall retain Two Dollars (\$2.00). The remaining Two

Dollars (\$2.00) shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission

Reimbursement Fund through December 31, 2022, and beginning January

1, 2023, this fee shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma

Reimbursement Fund.

Service Oklahoma may allow the inspection to be performed at a location out-of-state by another state's department of motor vehicles or state police.

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No title for any out-of-state vehicle offered for sale at salvage pools, salvage disposal sales, or an auction, or by a dealer or a licensed automotive dismantler and parts recycler, shall be issued without an inspection to compare the vehicle identification number on the vehicle with the number recorded on the ownership record and to record the actual odometer reading on the vehicle. Upon request of the seller, person or entity conducting an auction, dealer or licensed dismantler, the inspection shall be conducted at the location or place of business of the sale, auction, dealer, or the dismantler. The inspection shall be conducted by any licensed operator or a duly authorized employee thereof; provided, if the vehicle identification number on the vehicle offered for sale at salvage pools, salvage disposal sales or a classic or antique auction does not match the number recorded on the ownership record, the inspection may be conducted at the location of or place of business of such sale or auction by any state, county or city law enforcement officer. Service Oklahoma may enter into reciprocal

agreements with other states for such inspections to be performed at locations outside the boundaries of this state for vehicles which:

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- 2. Have been solely used as vehicles for rent under the ownership of a licensed motor vehicle dealer or a person engaged in the business of renting motor vehicles; or
- 3. Have not been registered in this or any other state for more than one (1) year.

The inspection shall be certified upon forms prescribed by Service The name and other identification of the authorized Oklahoma. person conducting the inspection shall be legibly printed or typed on the form. Prior to any inspection by any employee of a licensed operator, the licensed operator shall notify Service Oklahoma of the name and any other identification information requested by Service Oklahoma of the authorized person. A signature specimen of the authorized person shall be submitted to Service Oklahoma by the employing licensed operator. If the authorization to inspect vehicles is withdrawn or the employer-employee relationship is terminated, the licensed operator, immediately, shall notify Service Oklahoma and return any remaining inspection forms to Service Oklahoma. The fee for the inspection shall be Four Dollars (\$4.00). The licensed operator shall retain Three Dollars (\$3.00) of the fee. Fees received by a licensed operator or an authorized employee thereof shall be handled and accounted for in the manner as

1 prescribed by law for any other fees paid to or received by a licensed operator. Out-of-state vehicles brought into this state by a person licensed in another state to sell new or used vehicles to 3 be sold within this state at a motor vehicle auction which is 5 limited to dealer-to-dealer transactions shall not be required to be inspected, unless the vehicle is purchased by an Oklahoma dealer. 6 7 Any person licensed in another state to sell new or used motor vehicles, who offers a motor vehicle for sale within this state at a 8 motor vehicle auction which is limited to dealer-to-dealer 10 transactions, shall not be within the definition of "owner" in 11 Section 1102 of this title, for purposes of Section 1101 et seq. of 12 this title.

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N. A licensed motor vehicle dealer, upon payment of a fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), may reassign an out-of-state certificate of title to a used motor vehicle provided such dealer obtains the appropriate inspection form required by either subsection L or M of this section and attaches the form to the out-of-state certificate of title. Licensed operators shall be allowed to retain Two Dollars and twenty-five cents (\$2.25) of the fee plus an additional Two Dollars (\$2.00) or Three Dollars (\$3.00) as provided in subsections L and M of this section for performance of the inspection. Two Dollars (\$2.00) of the fee shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund. An out-of-state vehicle which has been rebuilt shall be inspected pursuant to the provisions of Section

1111 of this title. Service Oklahoma shall train licensed operators in interpreting vehicle identification numbers to assure that it accurately describes the vehicle and to detect rollback or alteration of the odometer. Failure of a licensed operator to inspect the vehicle and make the required notations shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the first offense and Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) for the second offense or subsequent offense, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

O. The ownership of any unrecovered vehicle which has been declared a total loss by an insurer because of theft shall be transferred to the insurer by an unrecovered-theft vehicle title; provided, the ownership of any such vehicle which has been declared a total loss by an insurer licensed by the Insurance Department of the State of Oklahoma and maintaining a multi-state motor vehicle salvage processing center in this state shall be transferred to the insurer by a salvage or an unrecovered-theft title without the requirement of a visual inspection of the vehicle identification number by the insurer. Upon recovery of the vehicle, the ownership shall be transferred by an original title, salvage title, or junked title, as may be appropriate based upon an estimate of the amount of loss submitted by the insurer.

P. When an insurance company makes a total loss settlement on a total loss vehicle and the insurance company or a salvage pool authorized by the insurance company is unable to obtain the properly endorsed certificate of ownership or other evidence of ownership acceptable to Service Oklahoma within thirty (30) days following acceptance by the owner of an offer of an amount in settlement of a total loss, that insurance company or salvage pool, on a form provided by Service Oklahoma and signed under penalty of perjury, may request Service Oklahoma to issue the applicable salvage title for the vehicle. The request shall include information declaring that the requester has made at least two written attempts to obtain the certificate of ownership or other acceptable evidence of title.

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Q. The owner of any vehicle which is incapable of operation or use on the public roads and has no resale value, except as parts, scrap or junk, may deliver the certificate of title to the vehicle to Service Oklahoma for cancellation. Upon verification that any perfected lien against the vehicle has been released, the certificate of title shall be canceled without any fee, charge, or cost required from the owner. The vehicle identification numbers on the certificates of title shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years from the date of cancellation of the certificate of title. Service Oklahoma shall prescribe and provide an affidavit form to be completed by the owner of any vehicle for which the certificate of title is canceled. No

title or registration shall subsequently be issued for a vehicle for which the certificate of title has been surrendered pursuant to this subsection. Service Oklahoma shall prescribe a form for the transfer of ownership of a vehicle for which the certificate of title has been canceled.

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The owner of a vehicle which is not within the last ten (10) model years, not roadworthy and not capable of repair for operation or use on the roads and highways, or a vehicle which is being sold to a scrap metal dealer pursuant to Section 11-92 of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes, shall transfer the vehicle only upon a certificate of ownership prescribed by Service Oklahoma, if the certificate of title to the vehicle is lost, has been canceled, or otherwise not available. The prescribed ownership form shall include the names and addresses of the buyer and seller, the driver license number or Social Security number of the seller, the make and model of the vehicle, and the public vehicle identification number. If there is no public vehicle identification number, the vehicle shall be inspected by a law enforcement officer to verify the absence of the number on the vehicle and the prescribed ownership form shall include a signed statement, by such officer, verifying the absence of the number.

The certificate of ownership shall be completed in triplicate.

The buyer and seller shall each retain a copy. Within thirty (30)

days of the transaction, the seller shall submit one copy to Service

Oklahoma or a licensed operator accompanied with a fee of Four

Dollars (\$4.00). One Dollar (\$1.00) shall be retained by the

licensed operator and Three Dollars (\$3.00) shall be deposited in

the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund in the State Treasury

through December 31, 2022, and beginning January 1, 2023, this fee

shall be deposited in the Service Oklahoma Reimbursement Fund.

Upon receipt of the certificate, Service Oklahoma shall verify that any perfected lien upon the vehicle has been released. If the lien is not released, Service Oklahoma shall mail notice of the transfer to the lienholder at the lienholder's last-known address. If a certificate of title has been issued, it shall be canceled and the vehicle identification number shall be preserved in the computer of Service Oklahoma for at least five (5) years. The buyer of the vehicle may not be sued and shall not be liable for monetary damages to the lienholder, however, the vehicle shall be subject to a valid repossession by a lienholder.

- S. Service Oklahoma shall notify the chief administrative officer of the agency or department responsible for issuing motor vehicle certificates of title in each state in the United States of the types of motor vehicle certificate of title effective in Oklahoma on and after January 1, 1989.
- T. When registering for the first time in this state a remanufactured vehicle which has not been registered in any other state since its remanufacture, before issuing a certificate of

title, Service Oklahoma shall require the applicant to deliver a statement of origin from the remanufacturer.

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- U. If a vehicle is sold to a foreign buyer pursuant to the provisions of the Automotive Dismantlers and Parts Recycler Act, the licensed seller shall stamp the title with: "EXPORT ONLY.

 NONTRANSFERABLE IN THE UNITED STATES." The licensed seller shall supply Service Oklahoma the title number, the vehicle identification number and the foreign buyer's bid identification number on a form
- prescribed by Service Oklahoma. Service Oklahoma shall cancel the title, and the vehicle identification number shall be preserved in the computer files of Service Oklahoma for a period of not less than five (5) years.
 - V. Service Oklahoma shall not be considered a necessary party to any lawsuit which is instigated for the purpose of determining ownership of a vehicle, wherein Service Oklahoma's only involvement would be to issue title, and the court shall issue an order dismissing Service Oklahoma from the pending action. In the event no other party or lienholder can be identified as to ownership or claim, Service Oklahoma shall accept an affidavit of ownership from the party claiming ownership and issue proper title thereon.
- 21 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1115, as
 22 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2023 (47 O.S. Supp.
 23 2023, Section 1115), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1115. A. Unless provided otherwise by statute, the following vehicles shall be registered annually: manufactured homes, vehicles registered with a permanent nonexpiring license plate pursuant to Section 1113 of this title, and commercial vehicles registered pursuant to the installment plan provided in subsection H of Section 1133 of this title. The following schedule shall apply for such vehicle purchased in this state or brought into this state by residents of this state:

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- 1. Between January 1 and March 31, the payment of the full annual fee shall be required;
- 2. Between April 1 and June 30, the payment of three-fourths (3/4) the annual fee shall be required;
- 3. Between July 1 and September 30, the payment of one-half (1/2) the annual fee shall be required; and
- 4. Between October 1 and November 30, the payment of one-fourth (1/4) the annual fee shall be required.

License plates or decals for each year shall be made available on December 1 of each preceding year for such vehicles. Any person who purchases such vehicle or manufactured home between December 1 and December 31 of any year shall register it within thirty (30) days from date of purchase and obtain a license plate or Manufactured Home License Registration Decal, as appropriate, for the following calendar year upon payment of the full annual fee. Unless provided otherwise by statute, all annual license,

registration and other fees for such vehicles shall be due and payable on January 1 of each year and if not paid by February 1 shall be deemed delinquent.

- B. 1. All vehicles, other than those required to be registered pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of this section, shall be registered on a staggered system of registration and licensing on a monthly series basis to distribute the work of registering such vehicles as uniformly and expeditiously as practicable throughout the calendar year unless otherwise provided in this section. After the end of the month following the expiration date, the license and registration fees for the new registration period shall become delinquent. At the time of registration or renewal, the owner of the vehicle may choose either an annual or a biennial registration of the vehicle.
- 2. All fleet vehicles registered pursuant to new applications approved pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 of this title shall be registered on a staggered system monthly basis.
- 3. Applicants seeking to establish Oklahoma as the base jurisdiction for registering apportioned fleet vehicles shall have a one-time option of registering for a period of not less than six (6) months nor greater than eighteen (18) months. Subsequent renewals for these registrants will be for twelve (12) months, expiring on the last day of the month chosen by the registrant under the one-time option as provided herein. In addition, registrants with

multiple fleets may designate a different registration month of expiration for each fleet.

As used in this section, "fleet" shall have the same meaning as set forth in the International Registration Plan.

- 4. Effective January 1, 2004, all motorcycles and mopeds shall be registered on a staggered system of registration. Service Oklahoma shall notify in writing, prior to December 1, 2003, all owners of motorcycles or mopeds registered as of such date, who shall have a one-time option of registering for a period of not less than three (3) months nor greater than fifteen (15) months.

 Subsequent renewals for these registrants will be for twelve (12) months, expiring on the last day of the month chosen by the registrant under the one-time option as provided herein. All motorcycles and mopeds registered pursuant to new applications received on or after December 1, 2003, shall also be registered pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph.
- 5. Any three or more commercial vehicles owned by the same person and previously registered in this state may be registered at the same time regardless of the month or months in which they were previously registered. The month in which the commercial vehicles are newly registered shall be the month in which their registration is renewed annually. If a commercial vehicle is registered pursuant to this paragraph in the same calendar year in which it was previously registered, license and registration fees shall be

prorated to account for the difference between the previous renewal
month and the new renewal month and those fees shall be due at the
time of registration pursuant to this paragraph. At the time of
registration or renewal of a commercial vehicle, except fleet
vehicles registered under the provisions of Section 1120 of this
title, the owner of the vehicle may choose either an annual,
biennial, or triennial registration of the vehicle.

C. The following penalties shall apply for delinquent registration fees:

- 1. For fleet vehicles required to be registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 1120 of this title for which a properly completed application for registration has not been received by the Corporation Commission by the last day of the month following the registration expiration date, a penalty of thirty percent (30%) of the Oklahoma portion of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), whichever is greater, shall be assessed. The license and registration cards issued by the Corporation Commission for each fleet vehicle shall be valid until two (2) months after the registration expiration date;
- 2. For commercial vehicles registered under the provisions of subsection B of this section, except those vehicles registered pursuant to Section 1133.1 of this title, a penalty shall be assessed after the last day of the month following the registration expiration date. A penalty of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day

shall be added to the license fee of such vehicle and shall accrue for one (1) month. Thereafter, the penalty shall be thirty percent (30%) of the annual registration fee, or Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), whichever is greater;

3. For new or used manufactured homes, not registered within thirty (30) days from date of purchase or date such manufactured home was brought into this state, a penalty equal to the registration fee shall be assessed; or

- 4. For all vehicles, a penalty shall be assessed after the last day of the month following the expiration date, and no penalty shall be waived by Service Oklahoma or any licensed operator except as provided for in subsection H of Section 1133, subsection C of Section 1127 of this title, or when the vehicle was stolen as certified by a police report or other documentation as required by Service Oklahoma. A penalty of One Dollar (\$1.00) per day shall be added to the license fee of such vehicle, provided that the penalty shall not exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Of each dollar penalty collected pursuant to this subsection:
 - a. twenty-one cents (\$0.21) shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title,
 - b. twenty-one cents (\$0.21) shall be retained by the licensed operator, and
 - c. fifty-eight cents (\$0.58) shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund.

D. In addition to all other penalties provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act, the following penalties shall be imposed and collected by any Enforcement Officer enforcement officer of the Corporation Commission upon finding any commercial vehicle being operated in violation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act.

The penalties shall apply to any commercial vehicle found to be operating in violation of the following provisions:

- 1. A penalty of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be imposed upon any person found to be operating a commercial vehicle sixty (60) days after the end of the month in which the license plate or registration credentials expire without the current year license plate or registration credential displayed. Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title;
- 2. A penalty of not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) shall be imposed for any person operating a commercial vehicle subject to the provisions of Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title without the proper display of, or, carrying in such commercial vehicle, the identification credentials issued by the Corporation Commission as evidence of payment of the fee or tax as provided in Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title. Such penalty shall not exceed the

1 amount established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167 3 of this title; and

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- 3. A penalty of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) shall be imposed for any person that fails to register any commercial vehicle subject to the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title.
- Service Oklahoma, or the Corporation Commission with respect to vehicles registered under Section 1120 or Section 1133 of this title, shall assess the registration fees and penalties for the year or years a vehicle was not registered. For vehicles not registered for two (2) or more years, the registration fees and penalties shall be due only for the current year and one (1) previous year.
- In addition to any other penalty prescribed by law, there shall be a penalty of not less than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) upon a finding by an enforcement officer that:
- 22 The registration of a vehicle registered pursuant to Section 1132 of this title is expired and it is sixty (60) or more days after the end of the month of expiration; or

2. The registration fees for a vehicle that is subject to the registration fees pursuant to Section 1132 of this title have not been paid.

Such penalty shall not exceed the amount established by the Corporation Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of Section 1167 of this title. Revenue from such penalties shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1167 of this title.

- G. If a vehicle is donated to a nonprofit charitable organization, the nonprofit charitable organization shall be exempt from paying any current or past due registration fees, excise tax, transfer fees, and penalties and interest. However, after the donation, if the person donating the vehicle, or someone on behalf of such person, purchases the same vehicle back from the nonprofit charitable organization to which the vehicle was donated, such person shall be liable for all current and past-due registration fees, excise tax, title or transfer fees, and penalties and interest on such vehicle.
- H. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules and any necessary procedures to establish an option for a biennial registration for vehicles registered pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section and a biennial or triennial registration for commercial intrastate vehicles.
- 1. Regardless of whether the vehicle owner elects annual $\frac{\partial r_{,}}{\partial r_{,}}$ biennial, or triennial registration, the vehicle is still subject to

all fees, fines, and penalties provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle
License and Registration Act.

- 2. For vehicle owners who elect biennial registration, the annual registration fee shall be twice the annual registration fee provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. For vehicle owners who elect triennial registration, the annual registration fee shall be three times the annual registration fee provided in the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act.
- 3. When processing biennial or triennial registrations, licensed operators shall be entitled to retain twice or three times, as the case may be, the amounts provided in paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection A of Section 1141.1 of this title and twice the amount provided in paragraph 14 of subsection A of Section 1141.1 of this title for processing insurance verification information. Licensed operators shall retain fees collected for issuing registrations pursuant to this subsection as required by subsection E of Section 1141.1 of this title.
- SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 1133, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1133. A. The following license fees shall be paid annually, biennially, or triennially to the Service Oklahoma Tax Commission or the Corporation Commission, as applicable, upon the registration of the following vehicles:

1	Except as provided in this subsection, for each commercial								
2	vehicle over eight thousand (8,000) pounds as defined in Section								
3	1102 of this title, the license fee shall be based on the combined								
4	4 laden weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles. The license								
5	5 fees shall be computed and assessed at the following rates:								
6	1. From 8,001 pounds to 15,000 pounds \$ 95.00								
7	2. From 15,001 pounds to 18,000 pounds 120.00								
8	3. From 18,001 pounds to 21,000 pounds 155.00								
9	4. From 21,001 pounds to 24,000 pounds 190.00								
10	5. From 24,001 pounds to 27,000 pounds 225.00								
11	6. From 27,001 pounds to 30,000 pounds 260.00								
12	7. From 30,001 pounds to 33,000 pounds 295.00								
13	8. From 33,001 pounds to 36,000 pounds 325.00								
14	9. From 36,001 pounds to 39,000 pounds 350.00								
15	10. From 39,001 pounds to 42,000 pounds 375.00								
16	11. From 42,001 pounds to 45,000 pounds 400.00								
17	12. From 45,001 pounds to 48,000 pounds 425.00								
18	13. From 48,001 pounds to 51,000 pounds 450.00								
19	14. From 51,001 pounds to 54,000 pounds 475.00								
20	15. From 54,001 pounds to 57,000 pounds 648.00								
21	16. From 57,001 pounds to 60,000 pounds 681.00								
22	17. From 60,001 pounds to 63,000 pounds 713.00								
23	18. From 63,001 pounds to 66,000 pounds 746.00								
24	19. From 66,001 pounds to 69,000 pounds 778.00								

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1	20.	From	69,001	pounds	to	72,000	pounds	817.00	
2	21.	From	72,001	pounds	to	73 , 280	pounds	857.00	
3	22.	From	73 , 281	pounds	to	74,000	pounds	870.00	
4	23.	From	74,001	pounds	to	75 , 000	pounds	883.00	
5	24.	From	75 , 001	pounds	to	76 , 000	pounds	896.00	
6	25.	From	76,001	pounds	to	77,000	pounds	909.00	
7	26.	From	77,001	pounds	to	78 , 000	pounds	922.00	
8	27.	From	78 , 001	pounds	to	79 , 000	pounds	935.00	
9	28.	From	79,001	pounds	to	80,000	pounds	948.00	
10	29.	From	80,001	pounds	to	81,000	pounds	961.00	
11	30.	From	81,001	pounds	to	82,000	pounds	974.00	
12	31.	From	82,001	pounds	to	83,000	pounds	987.00	
13	32.	From	83,001	pounds	to	84,000	pounds	1000.00	
14	33.	From	84,001	pounds	to	85,000	pounds	1013.00	
15	34.	From	85,001	pounds	to	86,000	pounds	1026.00	
16	35.	From	86,001	pounds	to	87,000	pounds	1039.00	
17	36.	From	87,001	pounds	to	88,000	pounds	1052.00	
18	37.	From	88,001	pounds	to	89,000	pounds	1065.00	
19	38.	From	89,001	pounds	to	90,000	pounds	1078.00	
20	For t	the pu	ırposes	of this	s se	ection,	the license	fee of a wrecker	
21	or tow vehicle shall be based on the gross weight of the wrecker or								
22	tow vehicle alone without any inclusion of weight for a vehicle								
23	towed by the wrecker or tow vehicle.								

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For biennial registration, the registration fee shall be twice the annual registration fee provided in this section. For triennial registration, the registration fee shall be three times the annual registration fee provided in this section. Service Oklahoma shall promulgate rules for the registration of commercial vehicles biennially and triennially.

- B. After the fifth year's registration in this or any other state, the license fee upon any truck registered on a basis of the combined laden weight not in excess of fifteen thousand (15,000) pounds shall be assessed at fifty percent (50%) of the fee computed and assessed for each of the first five (5) years. On the seventh and all subsequent years of registration in this or any other state, on such truck, such license fees shall be assessed and computed at fifty percent (50%) of the amount due on the sixth year's registration. In no event shall such annual license fee on any truck be less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) nor shall the annual license fee of any truck-tractor be less than Ninety-five Dollars (\$95.00).
- C. In addition to the fees required by subsection A of this section, there shall be paid a registration fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00) upon the first registration in this state after July 1, 1985, and upon the transfer of ownership of any frac tank, as defined by Section 54 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes, construction machinery, as defined by Section 1102 of this title,

rental trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer designed to be pulled and usually pulled by a truck or truck-tractor.

Thereafter, a fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00) shall be paid annually, biennially, or triennially for each frac tank, construction machinery, rental trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer. The fee of Four Dollars (\$4.00) shall be due and payable on January 1 of each the year following expiration of registration on any frac tank, construction machinery, rental trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer registered under this section.

Upon the payment of the registration fee of Forty Dollars (\$40.00), a nonexpiring registration certificate and identification plate shall be issued for each frac tank, construction machinery, rental trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer. The nonexpiring identification plate shall remain displayed on the frac tank, construction machinery, rental trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer for which the identification plate is issued until such frac tank, construction machinery, trailer or semitrailer is sold or removed from service.

A receipt shall be issued upon the payment of the annual registration fee. The receipt shall show the total fee paid for one or more frac tanks, construction machinery units, rental trailers, commercial trailers or semitrailers. The receipt shall be retained by the owner of any frac tank, construction machinery, rental

trailer, commercial trailer or semitrailer for a period of three (3) years and shall be subject to audit by the Tax Commission Service

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Any frac tank, construction machinery, commercial trailer or semitrailer licensed pursuant to this section shall not be permitted to be operated on the highways of this state when such frac tank, construction machinery, commercial trailer or semitrailer is being operated by a resident of this state, or is being operated by a person operating a vehicle or vehicles domiciled in this state and required by law to be licensed in Oklahoma, unless the pulling truck or truck-tractor has been licensed pursuant to this section or is twenty-four thousand (24,000) pounds or less and operating under a valid temporary license plate provided by Section 1137.1 or 1137.3 of this title. In no event shall any truck, truck-tractor, frac tank, construction machinery, trailer, or semitrailer used in the furtherance of any commercial enterprise be permitted to operate on the highways of this state or register at a smaller license fee than that prescribed in this section except as provided in this section. When processing biennial or triennial registrations, licensed operators shall be entitled to retain twice or three times, as the case may be, the amounts provided in paragraph 14 of subsection A of Section 1141.1 of this title for processing insurance verification information. Licensed operators shall retain fees collected for issuing registrations pursuant to this subsection as required by

subsection E of Section 1141.1 of this title. Service Oklahoma or the Corporation Commission, as applicable, shall promulgate rules for the biennial and triennial registration of vehicles subject to this subsection.

- D. For each fiscal year, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1104 of this title, the first Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) of all monies collected pursuant to subsections A, B and C of this section shall be paid by the Tax Commission to the State Treasurer of the State of Oklahoma who shall deposit same each fiscal year, or such lesser amount as may accrue each fiscal year, under the provisions of this section to the credit of the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. All monies collected in excess of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) each fiscal year shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title.
- E. If any vehicle is used for a purpose other than that for which it has been registered, the owner of the vehicle shall be required to immediately reregister the vehicle at the appropriate rate. If any vehicle is placed or operated upon any street, road or highway of this state with a laden weight in excess of that for which it is licensed, the license fee for such increased laden weight shall become due, and the owner of the vehicle shall be required to immediately reregister the vehicle at the increased rate. Provided that, in either event there shall be credited upon the increased license fee for such reregistration for any portion of

the year or period remaining after the change in use or increase in laden weight shall have occurred a proportionate part of the license fees previously paid. If this reregistration is made voluntarily by the owner, the ratable proportion of the credit allowed shall be determined as of the date the reregistration is voluntarily made. If the reregistration is not voluntarily made but occurs as a result of the discovery by any enforcement officer of an improper operation of the vehicle, that shall be considered prima facie evidence that it has been improperly registered for the entire portion of the year covered by the improper registration. Provided further that the ratable credit shall be allowed only on the first reregistration of any vehicle during any calendar year. If, during the calendar year, subsequent changes of license plate are desired, the ratable credit shall not be allowed but the owner of the vehicle shall be required to pay the license fee due for that portion of the calendar year remaining without benefit of any additional credits. No owner of a motor vehicle shall possess at any time more than one license plate for any vehicle owned by such person. No reregistration shall be made until the current license plate previously issued has been surrendered.

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Any person who has paid a fee under the terms and provisions of this subsection may at any time within one (1) year after the payment of such fee file with the Tax Commission or Corporation

Commission a claim under oath for refund stating the grounds

therefor. However, the Tax Commission or Corporation Commission shall allow refunds only where the amount of tax paid has been erroneously computed or determined through clerical errors or miscalculations. No refund shall be allowed by the Tax Commission or Corporation Commission of a tax paid by the person where such payment is made through a mistake as to the legal misinterpretation or construction of the provisions of this section. Any refunds made by the Tax Commission or Corporation Commission pursuant to this subsection shall be made out of any monies collected pursuant to this subsection and which have not been apportioned.

F. The annual license fee required by this section is intended to cover only the motor vehicle for which it is issued. The Tax Commission or Corporation Commission upon application, when a licensed truck-tractor has been destroyed by fire or accident, shall credit the unused portion of the annual license fee of the vehicle toward the license fee of a replacement vehicle of equal registered weight. The amount of credit shall not exceed the license fee due on the replacement vehicle. The Tax Commission or Corporation Commission shall not be required to make a refund. If the replacement vehicle is to be registered at a greater weight, the applicant shall pay an additional sum equivalent to the difference between the unused portion of the annual license fee for the original motor vehicle and the license fee due for the replacement motor vehicle.

G. The license fees provided for in this section shall be paid each year whether or not the vehicle is operated on the public highway.

H. Notwithstanding the provision of any other statute in respect to the time for payment of license fees on motor vehicles, if the total amount of the annual license fees due from any resident owner, either individual, partnership, or Oklahoma corporation, upon the registration, on or before January 15 of any year, of commercial trucks, truck-tractors, frac tanks, construction machinery, trailers or semitrailers exceeds the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), the license fees may be paid in equal semiannual installments. The first installment shall be paid at the time of the application for registration of the vehicles and not later than January 15 of each year, and the second installment shall be paid on or before the first day of July of such year.

This subsection shall not operate to reduce the amount of the license fees due. If any installment is not paid on or before the date due, all unpaid installments of license fees for such year on each vehicle shall be deemed delinquent and immediately due and payable, and there shall be added a penalty of twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per day to the balance of the license fee due on each vehicle for each day the balance remains unpaid up to thirty (30) days, after which the penalty due on each vehicle shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00). The penalty for vehicles registered by

weight in excess of eight thousand (8,000) pounds shall be an amount equal to the license fee. On and after the thirtieth day each such vehicle involved shall be considered as improperly licensed and as not currently registered, and all of the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act relating to enforcement, including the provisions for the seizure and sale of vehicles not registered and not displaying current license plates, shall apply to the vehicles.

All fees and taxes levied by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act shall become and remain a first lien upon the vehicle upon which the fees or taxes are due until paid. The lien shall have priority to all other liens. No title to any vehicle may be transferred until the unpaid balance on the vehicle has been paid in full. Provided that any unpaid balance of the license fees shall remain and become a lien against any and all property of the owner, both real and personal, for so long as any license tag fee balance shall remain unpaid. Any unpaid balance under these provisions shall be immediately due and payable by the owner if any vehicle is sold, wrecked, or otherwise retired from service.

Any person electing to pay license fees on a semiannual installment basis, as herein authorized, shall be required to purchase a new license tag for the last half and shall pay the sum of Four Dollars (\$4.00) for each tag to cover the costs of the license tags. The license tags for each half shall be plainly

marked in designating the half for which they were issued. A validation sticker may be used in lieu of a metal tag where appropriate. Such license tag fee shall be, in addition to the license fees or any other fees, collected on each application as provided by statute and shall be apportioned according to the provisions of Section 1104 of this title.

- I. Any person pulling or towing any vehicle intended to be resold, into or through this state, shall pay a fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) for the vehicle towing and Three Dollars (\$3.00) for the one being towed. It shall be unlawful to operate any series of such units on the public highways of this state at a distance closer than five hundred (500) feet from each other. All fees and taxes levied by the terms and provisions of this section shall become and remain a first lien upon the vehicle upon which the fees or taxes are due until paid. The lien shall be prior, superior, and paramount to all other liens of whatsoever kind or character.
- J. In addition to any other penalties prescribed by law, the following penalty shall be imposed by enforcement officers upon any owner or operator of a commercial vehicle registered under the provisions of this section when the laden weight or combined laden weight of such vehicle is found to be in excess of that for which registered. The penalty shall be imposed each and every time a vehicle is found to be in violation of the registered laden weight or combined laden weight.

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