FIRST REGULAR SESSION HOUSE BILL NO. 1041

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE TATE.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 301.020, 301.055, 301.057, 301.058, and 301.070, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to a miles-per-gallon-based motor vehicle registration fee, with penalty provisions and a delayed effective date.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 301.020, 301.055, 301.057, 301.058, and 301.070, RSMo, are 2 repealed and five new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 301.020, 301.055, 3 301.057, 301.058, and 301.070, to read as follows: 301.020. 1. Every owner of a motor vehicle or trailer, which shall be operated or driven upon the highways of this state, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, shall [annually] 2 file, by mail or otherwise, in the office of the director of revenue, an application for registration 3 on a blank to be furnished by the director of revenue for that purpose containing: 4 5 (1) A brief description of the motor vehicle or trailer to be registered, including: 6 (a) The name of the manufacturer[,]; 7 (b) The vehicle identification number[,]; 8 (c) The [amount of motive power of the motor vehicle, stated in figures of horsepower] 9 combined city/highway miles per gallon rating of the motor vehicle as determined by the department of revenue using one of the following methods: 10 11 The motor vehicle's fuel economy label provided by the Environmental a. Protection Agency or any successor agency; 12

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b. The rating obtained using a vehicle identification number decoding system; or

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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14 c. If such rating cannot be obtained under subparagraph a. or b. of this paragraph, 15 then for motor vehicles that have not paid the alternative fuel decal fee in section 142.869 the rating shall be determined to be at or below nineteen miles per gallon; and 16 17 (d) Whether the motor vehicle is to be registered as a motor vehicle primarily for business use as defined in section 301.010[;]. 18 19 20 As used in this subdivision and in section 301.055, the term "miles per gallon" or "MPG" 21 means the distance traveled in a motor vehicle powered by one gallon of motor fuel; 22 (2) The name, the applicant's identification number and address of the owner of such 23 motor vehicle or trailer; 24 (3) The gross weight of the motor vehicle and the desired load in pounds if the motor 25 vehicle is a commercial motor vehicle or trailer. 2. If the vehicle is a motor vehicle primarily for business use as defined in section 26 27 301.010 and if such vehicle is ten years of age or less and has less than one hundred fifty 28 thousand miles on the odometer, the director of revenue shall retain the odometer information 29 provided in the vehicle inspection report, and provide for prompt access to such information, 30 together with the vehicle identification number for the motor vehicle to which such information 31 pertains, for a period of ten years after the receipt of such information. This section shall not 32 apply unless: 33 (1) The application for the motor vehicle's certificate of ownership was submitted after 34 July 1, 1989; and 35 (2) The certificate was issued pursuant to a manufacturer's statement of origin. 36 3. If the vehicle is any motor vehicle other than a motor vehicle primarily for business 37 use, a recreational motor vehicle, motorcycle, motortricycle, autocycle, bus, or any commercial 38 motor vehicle licensed for over twelve thousand pounds and if such motor vehicle is ten years of age or less and has less than one hundred fifty thousand miles on the odometer, the director 39 40 of revenue shall retain the odometer information provided in the vehicle inspection report, and 41 provide for prompt access to such information, together with the vehicle identification number for the motor vehicle to which such information pertains, for a period of ten years after the 42 43 receipt of such information. This subsection shall not apply unless: 44 (1) The application for the vehicle's certificate of ownership was submitted after July 1, 1990; and 45 46 (2) The certificate was issued pursuant to a manufacturer's statement of origin. 47 4. If the **motor** vehicle qualifies as a reconstructed motor vehicle, motor change vehicle, specially constructed motor vehicle, non-USA-std motor vehicle, as defined in section 301.010, 48 49 or prior salvage as referenced in section 301.573, the owner or lienholder shall surrender the

50 certificate of ownership. The owner shall make an application for a new certificate of ownership, pay the required title fee, and obtain the vehicle examination certificate required pursuant to 51 52 subsection 9 of section 301.190. If an insurance company pays a claim on a salvage vehicle as 53 defined in section 301.010 and the owner retains the vehicle, as prior salvage, the vehicle shall 54 only be required to meet the examination requirements under subsection 10 of section 301.190. Notarized bills of sale along with a copy of the front and back of the certificate of ownership for 55 all major component parts installed on the vehicle and invoices for all essential parts which are 56 57 not defined as major component parts shall accompany the application for a new certificate of 58 ownership. If the vehicle is a specially constructed motor vehicle, as defined in section 301.010, 59 two pictures of the vehicle shall be submitted with the application. If the vehicle is a kit vehicle, 60 the applicant shall submit the invoice and the manufacturer's statement of origin on the kit. If 61 the vehicle requires the issuance of a special number by the director of revenue or a replacement vehicle identification number, the applicant shall submit the required application and application 62 63 fee. All applications required under this subsection shall be submitted with any applicable taxes 64 which may be due on the purchase of the vehicle or parts. The director of revenue shall 65 appropriately designate "Reconstructed Motor Vehicle", "Motor Change Vehicle", 66 "Non-USA-Std Motor Vehicle", or "Specially Constructed Motor Vehicle" on the current and 67 all subsequent issues of the certificate of ownership of such vehicle.

68 5. Every insurance company that pays a claim for repair of a motor vehicle which as the 69 result of such repairs becomes a reconstructed motor vehicle as defined in section 301.010 or that 70 pays a claim on a salvage vehicle as defined in section 301.010 and the owner is retaining the 71 vehicle shall in writing notify the owner of the vehicle, and in a first party claim, the lienholder if a lien is in effect, that he is required to surrender the certificate of ownership, and the 72 73 documents and fees required pursuant to subsection 4 of this section to obtain a prior salvage 74 motor vehicle certificate of ownership or documents and fees as otherwise required by law to 75 obtain a salvage certificate of ownership, from the director of revenue. The insurance company shall within thirty days of the payment of such claims report to the director of revenue the name 76 77 and address of such owner, the year, make, model, vehicle identification number, and license 78 plate number of the vehicle, and the date of loss and payment.

6. Anyone who fails to comply with the requirements of this section shall be guilty ofa class B misdemeanor.

81 7. An applicant for registration may make a donation of one dollar to promote a 82 blindness education, screening and treatment program. The director of revenue shall collect the 83 donations and deposit all such donations in the state treasury to the credit of the blindness 84 education, screening and treatment program fund established in section 209.015. Moneys in the 85 blindness education, screening and treatment program fund shall be used solely for the purposes

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established in section 209.015; except that the department of revenue shall retain no more than one percent for its administrative costs. The donation prescribed in this subsection is voluntary and may be refused by the applicant for registration at the time of issuance or renewal. The director shall inquire of each applicant at the time the applicant presents the completed application to the director whether the applicant is interested in making the one dollar donation prescribed in this subsection.

92 8. An applicant for registration may make a donation of one dollar to promote an organ 93 donor program. The director of revenue shall collect the donations and deposit all such 94 donations in the state treasury to the credit of the organ donor program fund as established in 95 sections 194.297 to 194.304. Moneys in the organ donor fund shall be used solely for the 96 purposes established in sections 194.297 to 194.304, except that the department of revenue shall 97 retain no more than one percent for its administrative costs. The donation prescribed in this subsection is voluntary and may be refused by the applicant for registration at the time of 98 99 issuance or renewal. The director shall inquire of each applicant at the time the applicant presents the completed application to the director whether the applicant is interested in making 100 101 the one dollar donation prescribed in this subsection.

301.055. 1. Except for the motor vehicles identified under subsection 2 of this section, the annual registration fee to be imposed and collected for motor vehicles other than

| 3 | commercial motor vehicles [is: | |
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| 4 | Less than 12 horsepower | \$18.00 |
| 5 | 12 horsepower and less than 24 horsepower | 21.00 |
| 6 | 24 horsepower and less than 36 horsepower | 24.00 |
| 7 | 36 horsepower and less than 48 horsepower | 33.00 |
| 8 | 48 horsepower and less than 60 horsepower | 39.00 |
| 9 | 60 horsepower and less than 72 horsepower | 45.00 |
| 10 | 72 horsepower and more | 51.00 |
| 11 | Motorcycles | 8.50 |
| 12 | Motortricycles | 10.00 |
| 13 | Autocycles | 10.00] |
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14 shall be determined based on the motor vehicles's combined city/highway miles per gallon

15 rating. The annual registration fee on a motor vehicle shall be as follows:

| 16 | A MPG rating of 19 or less | \$25.00 |
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| 17 | A MPG rating of at least 20, but not to exceed 29 | 32.00 |
| 18 | A MPG rating of at least 30, but not to exceed 39 | 39.00 |
| 19 | A MPG rating of at least 40, but not to exceed 49 | 46.00 |
| 20 | A MPG rating of at least 50, but not to exceed 59 | 53.00 |

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24 2. The annual registration fee to be imposed and collected on motorcycles,
25 motortricycles, and autocycles shall be ten dollars.

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the registration of any autocycle registered as a motorcycle or motortricycle prior to August 28, 2018, shall remain in effect until the expiration of the registration period for such vehicle at which time the owner shall be required to renew the motor vehicle's registration under the autocycle classification and pay the appropriate registration fee.

301.057. The annual registration fee for property-carrying commercial motor vehicles,
not including property-carrying local commercial motor vehicles, or land improvement
contractors' commercial motor vehicles, based on gross weight is:

| 4 | [6,000 pounds and under | \$ 25.50 |
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| 5 | 6,001 pounds to 9,000 pounds | 38.00 |
| 6 | 9,001 pounds to] Up to and including 12,000 pounds | [38.00] \$25.00 |
| 7 | 12,001 pounds to 18,000 pounds | 63.00 |
| 8 | 18,001 pounds to 24,000 pounds | 100.50 |
| 9 | 24,001 pounds to 26,000 pounds | 127.00 |
| 10 | 26,001 pounds to 30,000 pounds | 180.00 |
| 11 | 30,001 pounds to 36,000 pounds | 275.50 |
| 12 | 36,001 pounds to 42,000 pounds | 413.00 |
| 13 | 42,001 pounds to 48,000 pounds | 550.50 |
| 14 | 48,001 pounds to 54,000 pounds | 688.00 |
| 15 | 54,001 pounds to 60,010 pounds | 825.50 |
| 16 | 60,011 pounds to 66,000 pounds | 1,100.50 |
| 17 | 66,001 pounds to 73,280 pounds | 1,375.50 |
| 18 | 73,281 pounds to 78,000 pounds | 1,650.50 |
| 19 | 78,001 pounds to 80,000 pounds | 1,719.50 |
| | 301.058. 1. The annual registration fee for property-carrying local | commercial motor |

vehicles, other than a land improvement contractors' commercial motor vehicles, based on gross
weight is:

| 4 | [6,000 pounds and under | \$ 15.50 \$ 15. |
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| 5 | 6,001 pounds to 12,000 pounds | 18.00 |
| 6 | 12,001 pounds to] Up to and including 18,000 pounds | [20.50] \$25.00 |
| 7 | 18,001 pounds to 24,000 pounds | 27.50 |

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| 8 | 24,001 pounds to 26,000 pounds | 33.50 |
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| 9 | 26,001 pounds to 30,000 pounds | 45.50 |
| 10 | 30,001 pounds to 36,000 pounds | 67.50 |
| 11 | 36,001 pounds to 42,000 pounds | 100.50 |
| 12 | 42,001 pounds to 48,000 pounds | 135.50 |
| 13 | 48,001 pounds to 54,000 pounds | 170.50 |
| 14 | 54,001 pounds to 60,010 pounds | 200.50 |
| 15 | 60,011 pounds to 66,000 pounds | 270.50 |
| 16 | 66,001 pounds to 72,000 pounds | 335.50 |
| 17 | 72,001 pounds to 80,000 pounds | 350.50 |

2. Any person found to have improperly registered a motor vehicle in excess of fifty-four thousand pounds when he or she was not entitled to shall be required to purchase the proper license plates and, in addition to all other penalties provided by law, shall be subject to the annual registration fee for the full calendar year for the vehicle's gross weight as prescribed in section 301.057.

301.070. 1. [In determining fees based on the horsepower of vehicles propelled by
internal combustion engines, the horsepower shall be computed and recorded upon the following
formula established by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce: Square the bore of the

4 cylinder in inches multiplied by the number of cylinders, divided by two and one-half.

5 2. The horsepower of all motor vehicles propelled by steam may be accepted as rated by

6 the manufacturers thereof, or may be determined in accordance with regulations promulgated by
7 the director.

8 3. The horsepower of all motor vehicles, except commercial motor vehicles, propelled
 9 by electric power, shall be rated as being between twelve and twenty-four horsepower.

4.] Fees of commercial motor vehicles, other than passenger-carrying commercial motor
 vehicles, shall be based on the gross weight of the vehicle or any combination of vehicles and
 the maximum load to be carried at any one time during the license period, except the fee for a
 wrecker, tow truck, rollback or car carrier used in a towing service shall be based on the empty
 weight of such vehicle fully equipped for the recovery or towing of vehicles.

15 [5.] 2. The decision of the director as to the type of motor vehicles and their 16 classification for the purpose of registration and the computation of fees therefor **authorized in** 17 **this chapter** shall be final and conclusive.

Section B. The repeal and reenactment of sections 301.020, 301.055, 301.057, 301.058, 2 and 301.070 of this act shall become effective on July 1, 2023.

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