HOUSE BILL No. 5705

March 8, 2018, Introduced by Rep. Howrylak and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending sections 217, 217a, 224, 255, 256, 801, 801g, 801j, 802, 803d, and 809 (MCL 257.217, 257.217a, 257.224, 257.255, 257.256, 257.801, 257.801g, 257.801j, 257.802, 257.803d, and 257.809), section 217 as amended by 2014 PA 290, section 217a as amended by 2015 PA 73, section 224 as amended by 2013 PA 179, section 255 as amended by 2003 PA 9, section 256 as amended by 1987 PA 34, section 801 as amended by 2017 PA 238, sections 801g and 809 as amended by 2011 PA 159, section 801j as amended by 2014 PA 171, section 802 as amended by 2016 PA 425, and section 803d as amended by 1998 PA 68.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 217. (1) An owner of a vehicle that is subject to
- 2 registration under this act shall apply to the secretary of
- 3 state, upon an appropriate form furnished by the secretary of
- 4 state, for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of a
- 5 certificate of title for the vehicle. A vehicle brought into this
- 6 state from another state or jurisdiction that has a rebuilt,
- 7 salvage, scrap, flood, or comparable certificate of title issued
- 8 by that other state or jurisdiction shall be issued a rebuilt,
- 9 salvage, scrap, or flood certificate of title by the secretary of
- 10 state. The application shall be accompanied by the required fee.
- 11 An application for a certificate of title shall bear the
- 12 signature or verification and certification of the owner. The
- 13 application shall contain all of the following:
- 14 (a) The owner's name, the owner's bona fide residence, and
- 15 either of the following:
- 16 (i) If the owner is an individual, the owner's mailing
- 17 address.
- 18 (ii) If the owner is a firm, association, partnership,
- 19 limited liability company, or corporation, the owner's business
- 20 address.
- 21 (b) A description of the vehicle including the make or name,
- 22 style of body, and model year; the number of miles, not including
- 23 the tenths of a mile, registered on the vehicle's odometer at the
- 24 time of transfer; whether the vehicle is a flood vehicle or
- 25 another state previously issued the vehicle a flood certificate
- 26 of title; whether the vehicle is to be or has been used as a taxi
- 27 or police vehicle, or by a political subdivision of this state,

- 1 unless the vehicle is owned by a dealer and loaned or leased to a
- 2 political subdivision of this state for use as a driver education
- 3 vehicle; whether the vehicle has previously been issued a salvage
- 4 or rebuilt certificate of title from this state or a comparable
- 5 certificate of title from any other state or jurisdiction;
- 6 vehicle identification number; and the vehicle's weight fully
- 7 equipped, if a passenger vehicle registered in accordance with
- 8 section 801(1)(a), and, if a trailer coach or pickup camper, in
- 9 addition to the weight, the manufacturer's serial number, or in
- 10 the absence of the serial number, a number assigned by the
- 11 secretary of state. A number assigned by the secretary of state
- 12 shall be permanently placed on the trailer coach or pickup camper
- 13 in the manner and place designated by the secretary of state.
- 14 (c) A statement of the applicant's title and the names and
- 15 addresses of the holders of security interests in the vehicle and
- 16 in an accessory to the vehicle, in the order of their priority.
- 17 (d) Further information that the secretary of state
- 18 reasonably requires to enable the secretary of state to determine
- 19 whether the vehicle is lawfully entitled to registration and the
- 20 owner entitled to a certificate of title. If the secretary of
- 21 state is not satisfied as to the ownership of a vehicle having a
- 22 value over \$2,500.00 or that is less than 10 years old, before
- 23 registering the vehicle and issuing a certificate of title, the
- 24 secretary of state may require the applicant to file a properly
- 25 executed surety bond in a form prescribed by the secretary of
- 26 state and executed by the applicant and a company authorized to
- 27 conduct a surety business in this state. The bond shall be in an

- 1 amount equal to twice the value of the vehicle as determined by
- 2 the secretary of state and shall be conditioned to indemnify or
- 3 reimburse the secretary of state, any prior owner, and any
- 4 subsequent purchaser or lessee of the vehicle and their
- 5 successors in interest against any expense, loss, or damage,
- 6 including reasonable attorney's fees, by reason of the issuance
- 7 of a certificate of title for the vehicle or on account of any
- 8 defect in the right, title, or interest of the applicant in the
- 9 vehicle. An interested person has a right of action to recover on
- 10 the bond for a breach of the conditions of the bond, but the
- 11 aggregate liability of the surety to all persons shall not exceed
- 12 the amount of the bond. If the secretary of state is not
- 13 satisfied as to the ownership of a vehicle that is valued at
- 14 \$2,500.00 or less and that is 10 years old or older, the
- 15 secretary of state shall require the applicant to certify that
- 16 the applicant is the owner of the vehicle and entitled to
- 17 register and title the vehicle.
- 18 (e) Except as provided in subdivision (f), an application
- 19 for a commercial vehicle shall also have attached a scale weight
- 20 receipt of the motor vehicle fully equipped as of the time the
- 21 application is made. A scale weight receipt is not necessary if
- 22 there is presented with the application a registration receipt of
- 23 the previous year that shows on its face the empty weight of the
- 24 motor vehicle as registered with the secretary of state that is
- 25 accompanied by a statement of the applicant that there has not
- 26 been structural change in the motor vehicle that has increased
- 27 the empty weight and that the previous registered weight is the

- 1 true weight.
- 2 (f) An application for registration of a vehicle on the
- 3 basis of elected gross weight shall include a declaration by the
- 4 applicant specifying the elected gross weight for which
- 5 application is being made.
- **6** (g) If the application is for a certificate of title of a
- 7 motor vehicle registered in accordance with section $801(1)(p)_{\tau}$
- 8 801(1)(J), the application shall include the manufacturer's
- 9 suggested base list price for the model year of the vehicle. The
- 10 base list price shall be the manufacturer's suggested retail
- 11 price as shown on the label required to be affixed to the vehicle
- 12 under 15 USC 1232. If the manufacturer's suggested retail price
- 13 is unavailable, the application shall list the purchase price of
- 14 the vehicle as defined in section 801.
- 15 (2) An applicant for registration of a leased pickup truck
- 16 or passenger vehicle that is subject to registration under this
- 17 act, except a vehicle that is subject to a registration fee under
- 18 section 801g, shall disclose in writing to the secretary of state
- 19 the lessee's name, the lessee's bona fide residence, and either
- 20 of the following:
- 21 (a) If the lessee is an individual, the lessee's Michigan
- 22 driver license number or Michigan personal identification number
- 23 or, if the lessee does not have a Michigan driver license or
- 24 Michigan personal identification number, the lessee's mailing
- 25 address.
- (b) If the lessee is a firm, association, partnership,
- 27 limited liability company, or corporation, the lessee's business

- 1 address.
- 2 (3) The secretary of state shall maintain the information
- 3 described in subsection (2) on the secretary of state's computer
- 4 records.
- 5 (4) Except as provided in subsection (5), a dealer selling,
- 6 leasing, or exchanging vehicles required to be titled, within 15
- 7 days after delivering a vehicle to the purchaser or lessee, and a
- 8 person engaged in the sale of vessels required to be numbered by
- 9 part 801 of the natural resources and environmental protection
- 10 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.80101 to 324.80199, within 15 days
- 11 after delivering a boat trailer weighing less than 2,500 pounds
- 12 to the purchaser or lessee, shall apply to the secretary of state
- 13 for a new title, if required, and transfer or secure registration
- 14 plates and secure a certificate of registration for the vehicle
- 15 or boat trailer, in the name of the purchaser or lessee. The
- 16 dealer's license may be suspended or revoked in accordance with
- 17 section 249 for failure to apply for a title when required or for
- 18 failure to transfer or secure registration plates and certificate
- 19 of registration within the 15 days required by this section. If
- 20 the dealer or person fails to apply for a title when required,
- 21 and to transfer or secure registration plates and secure a
- 22 certificate of registration and pay the required fees within 15
- 23 days of delivery of the vehicle or boat trailer, a title and
- 24 registration for the vehicle or boat trailer may subsequently be
- 25 acquired only upon the payment of a late transfer fee of \$15.00
- 26 for an individual or a dealer other than a dealer subject to
- 27 section 235b in addition to the fees specified in section 806.

- 1 For a used or secondhand vehicle dealer subject to section 235b,
- 2 the late transfer fee is \$100.00 in addition to the fees
- 3 specified in section 806. The purchaser or lessee of the vehicle
- 4 or the purchaser of the boat trailer shall sign the application,
- 5 including, if applicable, the declaration specifying the maximum
- 6 elected gross weight as required by subsection (1)(f), and other
- 7 necessary papers to enable the dealer or person to secure the
- 8 title, registration plates, and transfers from the secretary of
- 9 state. If the secretary of state mails or delivers a purchaser's
- 10 certificate of title to a dealer, the dealer shall mail or
- 11 deliver the certificate of title to the purchaser not more than 5
- 12 days after receiving the certificate of title from the secretary
- 13 of state. However, as provided under section 238, the secretary
- 14 of state is not required to issue a title to the owner of a
- 15 vehicle or lienholder if the title is subject to a security
- 16 interest.
- 17 (5) A dealer selling or exchanging an off lease or buy back
- 18 vehicle shall apply to the secretary of state for a new title for
- 19 the vehicle within 15 days after it receives the certificate of
- 20 title from the lessor or manufacturer under section 235 or
- 21 section 235b and transfer or secure registration plates and
- 22 secure a certificate of registration for the vehicle in the name
- 23 of the purchaser. The dealer's license may be suspended or
- 24 revoked in accordance with section 249 for failure to apply for a
- 25 title when required or for failure to transfer or secure
- 26 registration plates and certificate of registration within the
- 27 15-day period. If the dealer or person fails to apply for a title

- 1 when required, and to transfer or secure registration plates and
- 2 secure a certificate of registration and pay the required fees
- 3 within the 15-day time period, a title and registration for the
- 4 vehicle may subsequently be acquired only upon the payment of a
- 5 late transfer fee of \$15.00 for an individual or dealer other
- 6 than a used or secondhand vehicle dealer subject to section 235b
- 7 in addition to the fees specified in section 806. The late
- 8 transfer fee for a used or secondhand vehicle dealer subject to
- 9 section 235b is \$100.00 in addition to the fees specified in
- 10 section 806. The purchaser of the vehicle shall sign the
- 11 application, including, if applicable, the declaration specifying
- 12 the maximum elected gross weight as required by subsection
- 13 (1)(f), and other necessary papers to enable the dealer or person
- 14 to secure the title, registration plates, and transfers from the
- 15 secretary of state. If the secretary of state mails or delivers a
- 16 purchaser's certificate of title to a dealer, the dealer shall
- 17 mail or deliver the certificate of title to the purchaser not
- 18 more than 5 days after receiving the certificate of title from
- 19 the secretary of state. However, as provided under—IN section
- 20 238, the secretary of state is not required to issue a title to
- 21 the owner of a vehicle if the title is subject to a security
- 22 interest.
- 23 (6) If a vehicle is delivered to a purchaser or lessee who
- 24 has valid Michigan registration plates that are to be transferred
- 25 to the vehicle, and an application for title, if required, and
- 26 registration for the vehicle is not made before delivery of the
- 27 vehicle to the purchaser or lessee, the registration plates shall

- 1 be affixed to the vehicle immediately, and the dealer shall
- 2 provide the purchaser or lessee with an instrument in writing, on
- 3 a form prescribed by the secretary of state, which shall serve as
- 4 a temporary registration for the vehicle for a period of 15 days
- 5 from the date the vehicle is delivered.
- 6 (7) If the seller does not prepare the credit information,
- 7 contract note, and mortgage, and the holder, finance company,
- 8 credit union, or banking institution requires the installment
- 9 seller to record the lien on the title, the holder, finance
- 10 company, credit union, or banking institution shall pay the
- 11 seller a service fee of not more than \$10.00. The service fee
- 12 shall be paid from the finance charges and shall not be charged
- 13 to the buyer in addition to the finance charges. The holder,
- 14 finance company, credit union, or banking institution shall issue
- 15 its check or bank draft for the principal amount financed,
- 16 payable jointly to the buyer and seller, and there shall be
- 17 imprinted on the back side of the check or bank draft the
- 18 following:
- 19 "Under Michigan law, the seller must record a first lien in
- 20 favor of (name of lender) _____ on the vehicle with
- 21 vehicle identification number _____ and title the
- 22 vehicle only in the name(s) shown on the reverse side."
- 23 (8) On the front of the check or draft described under
- 24 subsection (7), the holder, finance company, credit union, or
- 25 banking institution shall note the name or names of the
- 26 prospective owners. Failure of the holder, finance company,
- 27 credit union, or banking institution to comply with these

- 1 requirements frees the seller from any obligation to record the
- 2 lien or from any liability that may arise as a result of the
- 3 failure to record the lien. A service fee shall not be charged to
- 4 the buyer.
- 5 (9) In the absence of actual malice proved independently and
- 6 not inferred from lack of probable cause, a person who in any
- 7 manner causes a prosecution for larceny of a motor vehicle; for
- 8 embezzlement of a motor vehicle; for any crime an element of
- 9 which is the taking of a motor vehicle without authority; or for
- 10 buying, receiving, possessing, leasing, or aiding in the
- 11 concealment of a stolen, embezzled, or converted motor vehicle
- 12 knowing that the motor vehicle has been stolen, embezzled, or
- 13 converted, is not liable for damages in a civil action for
- 14 causing the prosecution. This subsection does not relieve a
- 15 person from proving any other element necessary to sustain his or
- 16 her cause of action.
- 17 (10) Receipt by the secretary of state of a properly
- 18 tendered application for a certificate of title on which a
- 19 security interest in a vehicle is to be indicated is a condition
- 20 of perfection of a security interest in the vehicle and is
- 21 equivalent to filing a financing statement under the uniform
- 22 commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.1101 to 440.9994, with
- 23 respect to the vehicle. When a security interest in a vehicle is
- 24 perfected, it has priority over the rights of a lien creditor as
- 25 lien creditor THAT TERM is defined in section 9102 of the uniform
- 26 commercial code, 1962 PA 174, MCL 440.9102.
- 27 Sec. 217a. (1) A person who holds an unexpired technician,

- 1 general, conditional, advanced, or extra class amateur radio
- 2 license issued by the Federal Communications Commission may make
- 3 application directly to the secretary of state for a registration
- 4 plate inscribed with the official amateur radio call letters of
- 5 the applicant as assigned by the Federal Communications
- 6 Commission.
- 7 (2) The applicant shall prove to the satisfaction of the
- 8 secretary of state that the applicant holds an unexpired amateur
- 9 radio license. In addition to the regular registration fee, the
- 10 applicant shall pay a service fee of \$2.00. The \$2.00 fee shall
- 11 be credited to the transportation administration collection fund
- 12 created under section 810b through October 1, 2019. A
- 13 registration plate may be issued under this section for a motor
- 14 vehicle that bears a registration taxed under section 801(1)(a)
- 15 or (p). 801(1)(J).
- 16 (3) If a registration plate issued under this section is
- 17 used on a vehicle other than the vehicle for which the
- 18 registration plate was issued, the owner of the registration
- 19 plate is guilty of a misdemeanor and the registration plate shall
- 20 be surrendered to the secretary of state. A holder of a
- 21 registration plate whose amateur radio license is not in full
- 22 force and effect shall immediately surrender the registration
- 23 plate issued under this section to the secretary of state and
- 24 obtain a regular registration plate.
- 25 (4) An application for a registration plate issued under
- 26 this section shall be submitted to the secretary of state under
- 27 section 217. The expiration date for plates issued under this

- 1 section is the date determined under section 226.
- 2 Sec. 224. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act
- 3 regarding tabs or stickers, upon registering a vehicle, the
- 4 secretary of state shall issue to the owner 1 registration plate.
- 5 (2) A registration plate shall display the registration
- 6 number assigned to the vehicle for which the registration plate
- 7 is issued; the name of this state, which may be abbreviated; and
- 8 when the registration plate expires, which may be shown by a tab
- 9 or sticker furnished by the secretary of state.
- 10 (3) A registration plate issued for motor vehicles owned and
- 11 operated by this state; a state institution; a municipality; a
- 12 privately incorporated, nonprofit volunteer fire department; or a
- 13 nonpublic, nonprofit college or university of this state shall
- 14 DOES not expire at any particular time but shall be renewed when
- 15 the registration plate is worn out or is illegible. This
- 16 registration plate shall be assigned upon proper application and
- 17 payment of the applicable fee and may be used on any eligible
- 18 vehicle titled to the applicant if a written record is kept of
- 19 the vehicles upon which the registration plate is used. The
- 20 written record shall state the time the registration plate is
- 21 used on a particular vehicle. The record shall be open to
- 22 inspection by a law enforcement officer or a representative of
- 23 the secretary of state.
- 24 (4) A registration plate issued for a vehicle owned by the
- 25 civil air patrol as organized under 36 USC 201 to 208; 40301 TO
- 26 40307; a vehicle owned by a nonprofit organization and used to
- 27 transport equipment for providing dialysis treatment to children

- 1 at camp; an emergency support vehicle used exclusively for
- 2 emergencies and owned and operated by a federally recognized
- 3 nonprofit charitable organization; a vehicle owned and operated
- 4 by a nonprofit veterans center; a motor vehicle having a truck
- 5 chassis and a locomotive or ship's body which THAT is owned by a
- 6 nonprofit veterans organization and used exclusively in parades
- 7 and civic events; a vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit
- 8 recycling center or a federally recognized nonprofit conservation
- 9 organization until December 31, 2000; a motor vehicle owned and
- 10 operated by a senior citizen center; and a registration plate
- 11 issued for buses including station wagons, carryalls, or
- 12 similarly constructed vehicles owned and operated by a nonprofit
- 13 parents' transportation corporation used for school purposes,
- 14 parochial school, society, church Sunday school, or other grammar
- 15 school, or by a nonprofit youth organization or nonprofit
- 16 rehabilitation facility shall be issued upon proper application
- 17 and payment of the applicable tax provided in UNDER section
- 18 801(1)(g) or (h) 801 to the applicant for the vehicle identified
- 19 in the application. The vehicle shall be used exclusively for
- 20 activities of the school or organization and shall be designated
- 21 by proper signs showing the school or organization operating the
- 22 vehicle. The registration plate shall expire on December 31 in
- 23 the fifth year following the date of issuance. The registration
- 24 plate may be transferred to another vehicle upon proper
- 25 application and payment of a \$10.00 transfer fee.
- **26** (5) The department shall offer a standard design
- 27 registration plate that complies with the requirements of this

- 1 act. The standard design registration plate shall be of a common
- 2 color scheme and design that is made of fully reflectorized
- 3 material and shall be clearly visible at night.
- 4 (6) The department may use the Pure Michigan brand or a
- 5 successor or similar brand that is used in conjunction with this
- 6 state's promotion, travel, and tourism campaigns or marketing
- 7 efforts as part of the standard design for registration plates.
- **8** (7) The registration plate and the required letters and
- 9 numerals on the registration plate shall be of sufficient size to
- 10 be plainly readable from a distance of 100 feet during daylight.
- 11 The secretary of state may issue a tab or tabs designating the
- 12 month and year of expiration.
- 13 (8) The secretary of state shall issue for every passenger
- 14 motor vehicle rented without a driver the same type of
- 15 registration plate as the type of registration plate issued for
- 16 private passenger vehicles.
- 17 (9) A person shall not operate a vehicle on the public
- 18 highways or streets of this state displaying a registration plate
- 19 other than the registration plate issued for the vehicle by the
- 20 secretary of state, except as provided in this chapter for
- 21 nonresidents, or by assignment as provided in subsection (3).
- 22 (10) The registration plate displayed on a vehicle
- 23 registered on the basis of elected gross weight shall indicate
- 24 the elected gross weight for which the vehicle is registered.
- 25 (11) Beginning on January 1, 2015, a registration plate
- 26 issued by the department under this section shall not be renewed
- 27 10 years after the date that registration plate was issued. The

- 1 owner of a vehicle whose registration plate is no longer eligible
- 2 for renewal under this subsection shall obtain a replacement
- 3 registration plate upon payment of the fee required under section
- 4 804. For any alphanumeric series that the department has retired
- 5 from circulation, upon request of the owner of a vehicle whose
- 6 registration plate is no longer eligible for renewal under this
- 7 subsection, the department may issue a new registration plate
- 8 with the same registration number as was displayed on the expired
- 9 registration plate as provided under section 803b.
- 10 (12) The secretary of state, in conjunction with the
- 11 department of corrections, the Michigan state police, the
- 12 Michigan sheriffs' association, 1 individual appointed by the
- 13 speaker of the house of representatives, and 1 individual
- 14 appointed by the senate majority leader, shall prepare a report
- 15 analyzing the viability of moving from the current registration
- 16 plate production process to a digital printing of registration
- 17 plates. The secretary of state shall submit the report to the
- 18 standing committees of the senate and house of representatives
- 19 with primary responsibility for transportation issues no later
- 20 than December 31, 2013.
- 21 Sec. 255. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter,
- 22 a person shall not operate, nor shall an owner knowingly permit
- 23 to be operated, upon any highway, a vehicle required to be
- 24 registered under this act unless there is attached to and
- 25 displayed on the vehicle, as required by this chapter, a valid
- 26 registration plate issued for the vehicle by the department for
- 27 the current registration year. A registration plate shall—IS not

- 1 be required upon any wrecked or disabled vehicle, or vehicle
- 2 destined for repair or junking, which THAT is being transported
- 3 or drawn upon a highway by a wrecker or a registered motor
- 4 vehicle.
- 5 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person
- 6 who violates subsection (1) is responsible for a civil
- 7 infraction. However, if the vehicle is a commercial vehicle which
- 8 is required to be registered according to the schedule of elected
- 9 gross vehicle weights under section 801(1)(k), 801(1)(E), the
- 10 person is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for
- 11 not more than 90 days or a fine of not more than \$500.00, or
- **12** both.
- 13 (3) A person who operates a vehicle licensed under the
- 14 international registration plan and does not have a valid
- 15 registration due to nonpayment of the apportioned fee is guilty
- 16 of a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90
- 17 days, or by a fine of not more than \$100.00, or both. In
- 18 addition, a police officer may impound the vehicle until a valid
- 19 registration is obtained. If the vehicle is impounded, the towing
- 20 and storage costs of the vehicle, and the care or preservation of
- 21 the load in the vehicle shall be—IS the owner's responsibility.
- 22 Vehicles impounded shall be ARE subject to a lien in the amount
- 23 of the apportioned fee and any fine and costs incurred under this
- 24 subsection, subject to a valid lien of prior record. If the
- 25 apportioned fee, fine, and costs are not paid within 90 days
- 26 after impoundment, then following a hearing before the judge or
- 27 magistrate who imposed the fine and costs, the judge or

- 1 magistrate shall certify the unpaid judgment to the prosecuting
- 2 attorney of the county in which the violation occurred. The
- 3 prosecuting attorney shall enforce the lien by foreclosure sale
- 4 in accordance with the procedure authorized by law for chattel
- 5 mortgage foreclosures.
- 6 Sec. 256. (1) A person shall not lend to another person, or
- 7 knowingly permit the use of, any certificate of title,
- 8 registration certificate, registration plate, special plate, or
- 9 permit issued to him or her if the person receiving or using the
- 10 certificate of title, registration certificate, registration
- 11 plate, special plate, or permit would not be entitled to the use
- 12 thereof. OF THE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE, REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE,
- 13 REGISTRATION PLATE, SPECIAL PLATE, OR PERMIT. A person shall not
- 14 carry or display upon a vehicle any registration certificate or
- 15 registration plate not issued for the vehicle or not otherwise
- 16 lawfully used under this act.
- 17 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person
- 18 who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor —punishable
- 19 by imprisonment for not more than 90 days —or by—a fine of not
- 20 more than \$100.00, or both.
- 21 (3) A person who displays upon a commercial vehicle which
- 22 THAT is required to be registered according to the schedule of
- 23 elected gross vehicle weights under section 801(1)(k) 801(1)(E)
- 24 any registration plate not issued for the vehicle or not
- 25 otherwise lawfully used under this act is quilty of a misdemeanor
- **26** punishable by imprisonment for not more than 90 days por by a
- 27 fine of not more than \$500.00, or both.

1	Sec. 801. (1) The secretary of state shall collect the	
2	following taxes at the time of registering a vehicle, which	shall
3	exempt the vehicle from all other state and local taxation,	
4	except the fees and taxes provided by law to be paid by cert	ain
5	carriers operating motor vehicles and trailers under the mot	.or
6	carrier act, 1933 PA 254, MCL 475.1 to 479.42; the taxes imp	osed
7	by the motor carrier fuel tax act, 1980 PA 119, MCL 207.211	to
8	207.234; and except as otherwise provided by this act:	
9	(a) For a motor vehicle, including a motor home, except	. as
10	otherwise provided, and a pickup truck or van that weighs no	ŧ
11	more than 8,000 pounds, except as otherwise provided, accord	l ing
12	to the following schedule of empty weights:	
13	- Empty weights	Tax
14	0 to 3,000 pounds\$	29.00
15	3,001 to 3,500 pounds	32.00
16		37.00
17	4,001 to 4,500 pounds	43.00
18	4,501 to 5,000 pounds	47.00

5,501 to 6,000 pounds.....

6,001 to 6,500 pounds......

8,001 to 8,500 pounds.....

over 10,000 pounds.....\$ 0.90 per 100 pounds

8,501 to 9,000 pounds.....

7,501 to 8,000 pounds......

9,001 to 9,500 pounds.....

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1 - of empty weight 2 On October 1, 1983, and October 1, 1984, the tax assessed 3 under this subdivision shall be annually revised for the 4 registrations expiring on the appropriate October 1 or after that 5 date by multiplying the tax assessed in the preceding fiscal year times the personal income of Michigan for the preceding calendar 6 7 year divided by the personal income of Michigan for the calendar 8 year that preceded that calendar year. In performing the 9 calculations under this subdivision, the secretary of state shall use the spring preliminary report of the United States Department 10 of Commerce or its successor agency. A van that is owned by an 11 12 individual who uses a wheelchair or by an individual who transports a member of his or her household who uses a wheelchair 13 and for which registration plates are issued under section 803d 14 shall be assessed at the rate of 50% of the tax provided for in 15 this subdivision. 16 (A) (b)—For a trailer coach attached to a motor vehicle, the 17 tax shall be assessed as provided in subdivision $\frac{(l)}{\cdot}$ (F). A 18 19 trailer coach not under 1959 PA 243, MCL 125.1035 to 125.1043, 20 and while located on land otherwise assessable as real property under the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 21 211.155, if the trailer coach is used as a place of habitation, 22 and whether or not permanently affixed to the soil, is not exempt 23 24 from real property taxes. (B) (c) For a road tractor, modified agricultural vehicle, 25 truck, or truck tractor owned by a farmer and used exclusively in 26

- 1 connection with a farming operation, including a farmer hauling
- 2 livestock or farm equipment for other farmers for remuneration in
- 3 kind or in labor, but not for money, or used for the
- 4 transportation of the farmer and the farmer's family, and not
- 5 used for hire, 74 cents per 100 pounds of empty weight of the
- 6 road tractor, truck, or truck tractor. If the road tractor,
- 7 modified agricultural vehicle, truck, or truck tractor owned by a
- 8 farmer is also used for a nonfarming operation, the farmer is
- 9 subject to the highest registration tax applicable to the nonfarm
- 10 use of the vehicle but is not subject to more than 1 tax rate
- 11 under this act.
- 12 (C) (d) For a road tractor, truck, or truck tractor owned by
- 13 a wood harvester and used exclusively in connection with the wood
- 14 harvesting operations or a truck used exclusively to haul milk
- 15 from the farm to the first point of delivery, 74 cents per 100
- 16 pounds of empty weight of the road tractor, truck, or truck
- 17 tractor. A registration secured by payment of the tax prescribed
- 18 in this subdivision continues in full force and effect until the
- 19 regular expiration date of the registration. As used in this
- 20 subdivision:
- 21 (i) "Wood harvester" includes the person or persons hauling
- 22 and transporting raw materials in the form produced at the
- 23 harvest site or hauling and transporting wood harvesting
- 24 equipment. Wood harvester does not include a person or persons
- 25 whose primary activity is tree-trimming or landscaping.
- 26 (ii) "Wood harvesting equipment" includes all of the
- 27 following:

- 1 (A) A vehicle that directly harvests logs or timber,
- 2 including, but not limited to, a processor or a feller buncher.
- 3 (B) A vehicle that directly processes harvested logs or
- 4 timber, including, but not limited to, a slasher, delimber,
- 5 processor, chipper, or saw table.
- **6** (C) A vehicle that directly processes harvested logs or
- 7 timber, including, but not limited to, a forwarder, grapple
- 8 skidder, or cable skidder.
- 9 (D) A vehicle that directly loads harvested logs or timber,
- 10 including, but not limited to, a knuckle-boom loader, front-end
- 11 loader, or forklift.
- 12 (E) A bulldozer or road grader being transported to a wood
- 13 harvesting site specifically for the purpose of building or
- 14 maintaining harvest site roads.
- 15 (iii) "Wood harvesting operations" does not include the
- 16 transportation of processed lumber, Christmas trees, or processed
- 17 firewood for a profit making venture.
- 18 (e) For a hearse or ambulance used exclusively by a licensed
- 19 funeral director in the general conduct of the licensee's funeral
- 20 business, including a hearse or ambulance whose owner is engaged
- 21 in the business of leasing or renting the hearse or ambulance to
- 22 others, \$1.17 per 100 pounds of the empty weight of the hearse or
- 23 ambulance.
- 24 (f) For a vehicle owned and operated by this state, a state
- 25 institution, a municipality, a privately incorporated, nonprofit
- 26 volunteer fire department, or a nonpublic, nonprofit college or
- 27 university, \$5.00 per plate. A registration plate issued under

- 1 this subdivision expires on June 30 of the year in which new
- 2 registration plates are reissued for all vehicles by the
- 3 secretary of state.
- 4 (g) For a bus including a station wagon, carryall, or
- 5 similarly constructed vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit
- 6 parents' transportation corporation used for school purposes,
- 7 parochial school or society, church Sunday school, or any other
- 8 grammar school, or by a nonprofit youth organization or nonprofit
- 9 rehabilitation facility; or a motor vehicle owned and operated by
- 10 a senior citizen center, \$10.00, if the bus, station wagon,
- 11 carryall, or similarly constructed vehicle or motor vehicle is
- 12 designated by proper signs showing the organization operating the
- 13 vehicle.
- 14 (h) For a vehicle owned by a nonprofit organization and used
- 15 to transport equipment for providing dialysis treatment to
- 16 children at camp; for a vehicle owned by the civil air patrol, as
- 17 organized under 36 USC 40301 to 40307, \$10.00 per plate, if the
- 18 vehicle is designated by a proper sign showing the civil air
- 19 patrol's name; for a vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit
- 20 veterans center; for a vehicle owned and operated by a nonprofit
- 21 recycling center or a federally recognized nonprofit conservation
- 22 organization; for a motor vehicle having a truck chassis and a
- 23 locomotive or ship's body that is owned by a nonprofit veterans
- 24 organization and used exclusively in parades and civic events; or
- 25 for an emergency support vehicle used exclusively for emergencies
- 26 and owned and operated by a federally recognized nonprofit
- 27 charitable organization, \$10.00 per plate.

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- 3 Girl Scout, or Boy Scout organization, 65 cents per 100 pounds of
- 4 the empty weight of the truck.
- 5 (D) $\frac{(j)}{(j)}$ For each truck, weighing 8,000 pounds or less, and
- 6 not used to tow a vehicle, for each privately owned truck used to
- 7 tow a trailer for recreational purposes only and not involved in
- 8 a profit making venture, and for each vehicle designed and used
- 9 to tow a mobile home or a trailer coach, except as provided in
- 10 subdivision $\frac{(b)}{(b)}$, \$38.00 (A), \$88.00 or an amount computed
- 11 according to the following schedule of empty weights, whichever
- 12 is greater:

13	Empty weights	Per	100	pounds
14	0 to 2,500 pounds	, \$		1.40
15	2,501 to 4,000 pounds			1.76
16	4,001 to 6,000 pounds	,		2.20
17	6,001 to 8,000 pounds			2.72
18	8,001 to 10,000 pounds	,		3.25
19	10,001 to 15,000 pounds			3.77
20	15,001 pounds and over	,		4.39

If the tax required under subdivision (p) (J) for a vehicle of the same model year with the same list price as the vehicle

23 for which registration is sought under this subdivision is more

24 than the tax provided under the preceding provisions of this

25 subdivision for an identical vehicle, the tax required under this

26 subdivision is not less than the tax required under subdivision

27 (p) (J) for a vehicle of the same model year with the same list

- 1 price.
- 2 (E) (k) For each truck weighing 8,000 pounds or less towing
- 3 a trailer or any other combination of vehicles and for each truck
- 4 weighing 8,001 pounds or more, road tractor or truck tractor,
- 5 except as provided in subdivision (j), as follows:
- 7 schedule of elected gross weights:

8		Elected gross weight	Tax
9		0 to 24,000 pounds\$	491.00
10		24,001 to 26,000 pounds	558.00
11		26,001 to 28,000 pounds	558.00
12	-	28,001 to 32,000 pounds	649.00
13		32,001 to 36,000 pounds	744.00
14		36,001 to 42,000 pounds	874.00
15	-	42,001 to 48,000 pounds	1,005.00
16	-	48,001 to 54,000 pounds	1,135.00
17	-	54,001 to 60,000 pounds	1,268.00
18	-	60,001 to 66,000 pounds	1,398.00
19		66,001 to 72,000 pounds	1,529.00
20		72,001 to 80,000 pounds	1,660.00
21		80,001 to 90,000 pounds	1,793.00
22		90,001 to 100,000 pounds	2,002.00
23		100,001 to 115,000 pounds	2,223.00
24		115,001 to 130,000 pounds	2,448.00
25		130,001 to 145,000 pounds	2,670.00
26		145,001 to 160,000 pounds	2,894.00
27		over 160,000 pounds	3,117.00

1 $\frac{(ii)}{(ii)}$ Beginning on January 1, 2017, (D), according to the

2 following schedule of elected gross weights:

3	Elected gross weight	Tax
4	0 to 24,000 pounds	\$ 590.00
5	24,001 to 26,000 pounds	670.00
6	26,001 to 28,000 pounds	670.00
7	28,001 to 32,000 pounds	779.00
8	32,001 to 36,000 pounds	893.00
9	36,001 to 42,000 pounds	1,049.00
10	42,001 to 48,000 pounds	1,206.00
11	48,001 to 54,000 pounds	1,362.00
12	54,001 to 60,000 pounds	1,522.00
13	60,001 to 66,000 pounds	1,678.00
14	66,001 to 72,000 pounds	1,835.00
15	72,001 to 80,000 pounds	1,992.00
16	80,001 to 90,000 pounds	2,152.00
17	90,001 to 100,000 pounds	2,403.00
18	100,001 to 115,000 pounds	2,668.00
19	115,001 to 130,000 pounds	2,938.00
20	130,001 to 145,000 pounds	3,204.00
21	145,001 to 160,000 pounds	3,473.00
22	over 160,000 pounds	3,741.00
23	For each commercial vehicle registered under this	
24	subdivision, \$15.00 shall be deposited in a truck safet	y fund to
25	be expended as provided in section 25 of 1951 PA 51, MC	L 247.675.
26	If a truck tractor or road tractor without trailer	r is leased
27	from an individual owner-operator, the lessee, whether	an

- 1 individual, firm, or corporation, shall pay to the owner-operator
- 2 60% of the tax prescribed in this subdivision for the truck
- 3 tractor or road tractor at the rate of 1/12 for each month of the
- 4 lease or arrangement in addition to the compensation the owner-
- 5 operator is entitled to for the rental of his or her equipment.
- **(F)** (I)—For each pole trailer, semitrailer, trailer coach, or
- 7 trailer, the tax shall be assessed according to the following
- 8 schedule of empty weights:

9	Empty weights	Tax
10	0 to 2,499 pounds \$ 75.00	88.00
11	2,500 to 9,999 pounds	00.00
12	10,000 pounds and over	00.00
13	The registration plate issued under this subdivision exp	pires
14	only when the secretary of state reissues a new registration	
15	plate for all trailers. Beginning October 1, 2005, if the	

- 16 secretary of state reissues a new registration plate for all
- 17 trailers, a person who has once paid the tax as increased by 2003
- 18 PA 152 for a vehicle under this subdivision is not required to
- 19 pay the tax for that vehicle a second time, but is required to
- 20 pay only the cost of the reissued plate at the rate provided in
- 21 section 804(2) for a standard plate. A registration plate issued
- 22 under this subdivision is nontransferable.
- 23 (G) (m) For each commercial vehicle used for the
- 24 transportation of passengers for hire except for a vehicle for
- 25 which a payment is made under 1960 PA 2, MCL 257.971 to 257.972,

1 according to the following schedule of empty weights:

2	Empty weights Per 100	pounds					
3	0 to 4,000 pounds\$	1.76					
4	4,001 to 6,000 pounds	2.20					
5	6,001 to 10,000 pounds	2.72					
6	10,001 pounds and over	3.25					
7	(H) (n) For each motorcycle, as follows:						
8	(i) Until February 18, 2019 $\$$	23.00					
9	(ii) Beginning February 19, 2019 $\$$	25.00					
10	On October 1, 1983, and October 1, 1984, the tax assess	sed					
11	under this subdivision shall be annually revised for the						
12	registrations expiring on the appropriate October 1 or after						
13	date by multiplying the tax assessed in the preceding fiscal year						
14	times the personal income of Michigan for the preceding cale	endar					
15	year divided by the personal income of Michigan for the cale	endar					
16	year that preceded that calendar year. In performing the						
17	calculations under this subdivision, the secretary of state	shall					
18	use the spring preliminary report of the United States Depart	tment					
19	of Commerce or its successor agency.						
20	Beginning January 1, 1984, the registration tax for each	ch					
21	motorcycle is increased by \$3.00. The \$3.00 increase is not	part					
22	of the tax assessed under this subdivision for the purpose of	of the					
23	annual October 1 revisions but is in addition to the tax ass	essed					
24	as a result of the annual October 1 revisions. Beginning Jan	uary					
25	1, 1984 and ending February 18, 2019, \$3.00 of each motorcyc	ele					

- 1 fee shall be placed in a motorcycle safety fund in the state
- 2 treasury and shall be used only for funding the motorcycle safety
- 3 education program as provided for under sections 312b and 811a.
- 4 Beginning February 19, 2019, \$5.00 of each motorcycle fee shall
- 5 be placed in the motorcycle safety fund and shall be used only
- 6 for funding the motorcycle safety education program as provided
- 7 for under sections 312b and 811a.
- 8 (I) (o)—For each truck weighing 8,001 pounds or more, road
- 9 tractor, or truck tractor used exclusively as a moving van or
- 10 part of a moving van in transporting household furniture and
- 11 household effects or the equipment or those engaged in conducting
- 12 carnivals, at the rate of 80% of the schedule of elected gross
- 13 weights in subdivision $\frac{k}{k}$ (E) as modified by the operation of
- 14 that subdivision.
- (J) (p) After September 30, 1983, each motor vehicle of the
- 16 1984 or a subsequent model year as shown on the application
- 17 required under section 217 that has not been previously subject
- 18 to the tax rates of this section and that is of the motor vehicle
- 19 category otherwise subject to the tax schedule described in
- 20 subdivision (a), and each low-speed vehicle according to the
- 21 following schedule based upon registration periods of 12 months:
- (i) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, for the
- 23 first registration that is not a transfer registration under
- 24 section 809 and for the first registration after a transfer
- 25 registration under section 809, according to the following
- 26 schedule based on the vehicle's list price:
- 27 (A) Until December 31, 2016, as follows:

1	List Price		Tax
2	\$ 0 - \$ 6,000.00	\$	30.00
3	More than \$ 6,000.00 - \$ 7,000.00	\$	33.00
4	More than \$ 7,000.00 - \$ 8,000.00	\$	38.00
5	More than \$ 8,000.00 - \$ 9,000.00	\$	43.00
6	More than \$ 9,000.00 - \$ 10,000.00	\$	48.00
7	More than \$ 10,000.00 - \$ 11,000.00	\$	53.00
8	More than \$ 11,000.00 - \$ 12,000.00	\$	58.00
9	More than \$ 12,000.00 - \$ 13,000.00	\$	63.00
10	More than \$ 13,000.00 - \$ 14,000.00	\$	68.00
11	More than \$ 14,000.00 - \$ 15,000.00	\$	73.00
12	More than \$ 15,000.00 - \$ 16,000.00	\$	78.00
13	More than \$ 16,000.00 - \$ 17,000.00	\$	83.00
14	More than \$ 17,000.00 - \$ 18,000.00	\$	88.00
15	More than \$ 18,000.00 - \$ 19,000.00	\$	93.00
16	More than \$ 19,000.00 - \$ 20,000.00	\$	98.00
17	More than \$ 20,000.00 - \$ 21,000.00	\$	103.00
18	More than \$ 21,000.00 - \$ 22,000.00	\$	108.00
19	More than \$ 22,000.00 - \$ 23,000.00	\$	113.00
20	More than \$ 23,000.00 - \$ 24,000.00	\$	118.00
21	More than \$ 24,000.00 - \$ 25,000.00	\$	123.00
22	More than \$ 25,000.00 - \$ 26,000.00	\$	128.00
23	More than \$ 26,000.00 - \$ 27,000.00	\$	-133.00
24	More than \$ 27,000.00 - \$ 28,000.00	\$	138.00
25	More than \$ 28,000.00 - \$ 29,000.00	\$	-143.00
26	More than \$ 29,000.00 - \$ 30,000.00	\$	-148.00
27	More than \$30,000,00, the tay of \$148,00 is increased	boo	hv

- 1 \$5.00 for each \$1,000.00 increment or fraction of a \$1,000.00
- 2 increment over \$30,000.00. If a current tax increases or
- 3 decreases as a result of 1998 PA 384, only a vehicle purchased or
- 4 transferred after January 1, 1999 shall be assessed the increased
- 5 or decreased tax.
- 6 (B) Beginning on January 1, 2017, as follows:

7	List Price		Tax
8	\$ 0 - \$ 6,000.00 15,000.00 \$	36	.00.88.00
9	More than \$ 6,000.00 - \$ 7,000.00	\$	40.00
10	More than \$ 7,000.00 - \$ 8,000.00	\$	46.00
11	More than \$ 8,000.00 - \$ 9,000.00	\$	52.00
12	More than \$ 9,000.00 - \$ 10,000.00	\$	58.00
13	More than \$ 10,000.00 - \$ 11,000.00	\$	64.00
14	More than \$ 11,000.00 - \$ 12,000.00	\$	70.00
15	More than \$ 12,000.00 - \$ 13,000.00	\$	76.00
16	More than \$ 13,000.00 - \$ 14,000.00	\$	82.00
17	More than \$ 14,000.00 - \$ 15,000.00	\$	88.00
18	More than \$ 15,000.00 - \$ 16,000.00	\$	94.00
19	More than \$ 16,000.00 - \$ 17,000.00	\$	100.00
20	More than \$ 17,000.00 - \$ 18,000.00	\$	106.00
21	More than \$ 18,000.00 - \$ 19,000.00	\$	112.00
22	More than \$ 19,000.00 - \$ 20,000.00	\$	118.00
23	More than \$ 20,000.00 - \$ 21,000.00	\$	124.00
24	More than \$ 21,000.00 - \$ 22,000.00	\$	130.00
25	More than \$ 22,000.00 - \$ 23,000.00	\$	136.00
26	More than \$ 23,000.00 - \$ 24,000.00	\$	142.00
27	More than \$ 24,000.00 - \$ 25,000.00	\$	148.00
28	More than \$ 25,000.00 - \$ 26,000.00	\$	154.00
29	More than \$ 26,000.00 - \$ 27,000.00	\$	160.00

1	More than	\$ 27,000.00	- \$	28,000.00	\$ 166.00

- 2 More than \$ 28,000.00 \$ 29,000.00..... \$ 172.00
- **3** More than \$ 29,000.00 \$ 30,000.00..... \$ 178.00
- 4 More than \$30,000.00, the tax of \$178.00 is increased by
- **5** \$6.00 for each \$1,000.00 increment or fraction of a \$1,000.00
- 6 increment over \$30,000.00. If a current tax increases or
- 7 decreases as a result of 1998 PA 384, only a vehicle purchased or
- 8 transferred after January 1, 1999 shall be assessed the increased
- 9 or decreased tax.
- 10 (ii) For the second registration, 90% 85% of the tax assessed
- 11 under subparagraph (i), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 12 (iii) For the third registration, 90% 85% of the tax assessed
- 13 under subparagraph (ii), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 14 (iv) For the fourth and subsequent registrations, 90% 85% of
- 15 the tax assessed under subparagraph (iii), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS
- 16 GREATER.
- 17 (v) FOR THE FIFTH REGISTRATION, 85% OF THE TAX ASSESSED
- 18 UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (iv), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 19 (vi) FOR THE SIXTH REGISTRATION, 85% OF THE TAX ASSESSED
- 20 UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (v), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 21 (vii) FOR THE SEVENTH REGISTRATION, 85% OF THE TAX ASSESSED
- 22 UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (vi), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 23 (viii) FOR THE EIGHTH REGISTRATION, 85% OF THE TAX ASSESSED
- 24 UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (vii), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 25 (ix) FOR THE NINTH REGISTRATION, 85% OF THE TAX ASSESSED
- 26 UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (viii), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- 27 (x) FOR THE TENTH AND SUBSEQUENT REGISTRATIONS, 85% OF THE

- 1 TAX ASSESSED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (ix), OR \$88.00, WHICHEVER IS
- 2 GREATER.
- **3** For a vehicle of the 1984 or a subsequent model year that
- 4 has been previously registered by a person other than the person
- 5 applying for registration or for a vehicle of the 1984 or a
- 6 subsequent model year that has been previously registered in
- 7 another state or country and is registered for the first time in
- 8 this state, the tax under this subdivision shall be determined by
- 9 subtracting the model year of the vehicle from the calendar year
- 10 for which the registration is sought. If the result is zero or a
- 11 negative figure, the first registration tax shall be paid. If the
- 12 result is 1, 2, or 3 or more, then, respectively, the second,
- 13 third, or subsequent registration tax shall be paid. A van that
- 14 is owned by an individual who uses a wheelchair or by an
- 15 individual who transports a member of his or her household who
- 16 uses a wheelchair and for which registration plates are issued
- 17 under section 803d shall be assessed at the rate of 50% of the
- 18 tax provided for in this subdivision.
- **19 (K)** $\frac{(q)}{}$ For a wrecker, \$200.00.
- 20 (l) $\frac{(r)}{(r)}$ When the secretary of state computes a tax under this
- 21 act, a computation that does not result in a whole dollar figure
- 22 shall be rounded to the next lower whole dollar when the
- 23 computation results in a figure ending in 50 cents or less and
- 24 shall be rounded to the next higher whole dollar when the
- 25 computation results in a figure ending in 51 cents or more,
- 26 unless specific taxes are specified, and the secretary of state
- 27 may accept the manufacturer's shipping weight of the vehicle

- 1 fully equipped for the use for which the registration application
- 2 is made. If the weight is not correctly stated or is not
- 3 satisfactory, the secretary of state shall determine the actual
- 4 weight. Each application for registration of a vehicle under
- 5 subdivisions $\frac{1}{1}$ (D) and $\frac{1}{1}$ (G) shall have attached to the
- 6 application a scale weight receipt of the vehicle fully equipped
- 7 as of the time the application is made. The scale weight receipt
- 8 is not necessary if there is presented with the application a
- 9 registration receipt of the previous year that shows on its face
- 10 the weight of the motor vehicle as registered with the secretary
- 11 of state and that is accompanied by a statement of the applicant
- 12 that there has not been a structural change in the motor vehicle
- 13 that has increased the weight and that the previous registered
- 14 weight is the true weight.
- 15 (2) A manufacturer is not exempted under this act from
- 16 paying ad valorem taxes on vehicles in stock or bond, except on
- 17 the specified number of motor vehicles registered. A dealer is
- 18 exempt from paying ad valorem taxes on vehicles in stock or bond.
- 19 (3) Until October 1, 2019, the tax for a vehicle with an
- 20 empty weight over 10,000 pounds imposed under subsection (1)(a)
- 21 and the taxes imposed under subsection (1)(c), (d), (e), (f),
- 22 (1)(B), (C), (D), (G), (i), AND (j), $\frac{\text{(m)}}{\text{(o)}}$, $\frac{\text{(o)}}{\text{and}}$ are each
- 23 increased as follows:
- 24 (a) A regulatory fee of \$2.25 that shall be credited to the
- 25 traffic law enforcement and safety fund created in section 819a
- 26 and used to regulate highway safety.
- 27 (b) A fee of \$5.75 that shall be credited to the

- 1 transportation administration collection fund created in section
- 2 810b.
- 3 (4) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a
- 4 tax required to be paid under this section is not received by the
- 5 secretary of state on or before the expiration date of the
- 6 registration plate, the secretary of state shall collect a late
- 7 fee of \$10.00 for each registration renewed after the expiration
- 8 date. An application for a renewal of a registration using the
- 9 regular mail and postmarked before the expiration date of that
- 10 registration shall not be assessed a late fee. The late fee
- 11 collected under this subsection shall be deposited into the
- 12 general fund. The secretary of state shall waive the late fee
- 13 collected under this subsection if all of the following are
- **14** satisfied:
- 15 (a) The registrant presents proof of storage insurance for
- 16 the vehicle for which the late fee is assessed that is valid for
- 17 the period of time between the expiration date of the most recent
- 18 registration and the date of application for the renewal.
- 19 (b) The registrant requests in person at a department of
- 20 state branch office that the late fee be waived at the time of
- 21 application for the renewal.
- 22 (5) In addition to the registration taxes under this
- 23 section, the secretary of state shall collect taxes charged under
- 24 section 801j and credit revenues to a regional transit authority
- 25 created under the regional transit authority act, 2012 PA 387,
- 26 MCL 124.541 to 124.558, minus necessary collection expenses as
- 27 provided in section 9 of article IX of the state constitution of

- 1 1963. Necessary collection expenses incurred by the secretary of
- 2 state under this subsection shall be based upon an established
- 3 cost allocation methodology.
- 4 (6) This section does not apply to a historic vehicle.
- 5 (7) Beginning January 1, 2017, the registration fee imposed
- 6 under this section for a vehicle using 4 or more tires is
- 7 increased as follows:
- 8 (a) If the vehicle is a hybrid electric vehicle, the
- 9 registration fee for that vehicle is increased by \$30.00 for a
- 10 vehicle with an empty weight of 8,000 pounds or less, and \$100.00
- 11 for a vehicle with an empty weight of more than 8,000 pounds. As
- 12 used in this subdivision and subsection (8)(a), "hybrid electric
- 13 vehicle" means a vehicle that can be propelled at least in part
- 14 by electrical energy and uses a battery storage system of at
- 15 least 4 kilowatt-hours, but is also capable of using gasoline,
- 16 diesel fuel, or alternative fuel to propel the vehicle.
- 17 (b) If the vehicle is a nonhybrid electric vehicle, the
- 18 registration fee for that vehicle is increased by \$100.00 for a
- 19 vehicle with an empty weight of 8,000 pounds or less, and \$200.00
- 20 for a vehicle with an empty weight of more than 8,000 pounds. As
- 21 used in this subdivision and subsection (8)(b), "nonhybrid
- 22 electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is propelled solely by
- 23 electrical energy and that is not capable of using gasoline,
- 24 diesel fuel, or alternative fuel to propel the vehicle.
- 25 (8) Beginning January 1, 2017, if the tax on gasoline
- 26 imposed under section 8 of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403,
- 27 MCL 207.1008, is increased above 19 cents per gallon, the

- 1 secretary of state shall increase the fees collected under
- 2 subsection (7) as follows:
- **3** (a) For a hybrid electric vehicle, \$2.50 per each 1 cent
- 4 above 19 cents per gallon.
- **5** (b) For a nonhybrid electric vehicle, \$5.00 per each 1 cent
- 6 above 19 cents per gallon.
- 7 (9) As used in this section:
- 8 (a) "Alternative fuel" means that term as defined in section
- 9 151 of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1151.
- 10 (b) "Diesel fuel" means that term as defined in section 2 of
- 11 the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1002.
- 12 (c) "Gasoline" means that term as defined in section 3 of
- 13 the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1003.
- 14 (d) "Gross proceeds" means that term as defined in section 1
- 15 of the general sales tax act, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.51, and
- 16 includes the value of the motor vehicle used as part payment of
- 17 the purchase price as that value is agreed to by the parties to
- 18 the sale, as evidenced by the signed agreement executed under
- **19** section 251.
- (e) "List price" means the manufacturer's suggested base
- 21 list price as published by the secretary of state, or the
- 22 manufacturer's suggested retail price as shown on the label
- 23 required to be affixed to the vehicle under 15 USC 1232, if the
- 24 secretary of state has not at the time of the sale of the vehicle
- 25 published a manufacturer's suggested retail price for that
- 26 vehicle, or the purchase price of the vehicle if the
- 27 manufacturer's suggested base list price is unavailable from the

- 1 sources described in this subdivision.
- 2 (f) "Purchase price" means the gross proceeds received by
- 3 the seller in consideration of the sale of the motor vehicle
- 4 being registered.
- 5 Sec. 801g. (1) Notwithstanding section $\frac{801(1)(j)}{(j)}$ 801(1)(D)
- 6 or 801(1)(k), (E), for a truck, truck tractor, or road tractor
- 7 engaged in interstate commerce, for which a registration fee
- 8 otherwise would be provided in section 801(1)(j) 801(1)(D) or
- $9 ext{ } ext{$801(1)(k), (E), }$ the fee may be apportioned under the
- 10 international registration plan according to the miles traveled
- 11 in this state in relation to the total miles traveled by the
- 12 vehicle, if the apportionment is permitted by a reciprocal
- 13 compact, agreement, or other arrangement entered into by the
- 14 Michigan highway reciprocity board. SECRETARY OF STATE.
- 15 (2) For the purposes of this section, "international
- 16 registration plan" means a method of licensing trucks and bus
- 17 fleets proportionally among 2 or more member jurisdictions and
- 18 includes an apportioned fee that is determined according to the
- 19 fleet's percentage of miles generated in the various
- 20 jurisdictions. Upon payment of the apportioned fee there shall be
- 21 issued 1 registration plate and 1 cab card for each vehicle with
- 22 the cab card indicating the jurisdictions in which the unit is
- 23 registered and the registered weight for each jurisdiction.
- 24 (3) If the apportionment is permitted, and if at the time of
- 25 purchase a person elects to have the fees apportioned and the
- 26 registration is valid for at least 12 months, the annual
- 27 international registration plan plates may be purchased by paying

- 1 any out of state portion and 1/2 the amount apportioned for
- 2 Michigan fees and an extra \$10.00 service fee per vehicle upon
- 3 purchase and the balance within 180 days before the date of
- 4 expiration. The secretary of state shall notify a person who has
- 5 elected to use the installment option of this subsection
- 6 informing the person of the amount due and of the penalties that
- 7 shall be imposed if payment is not received within 180 days
- 8 before the date of expiration. If a person is once late on paying
- 9 the balance, a penalty of 25% of the outstanding balance shall be
- 10 assessed and collected in addition to the fee. If a person is
- 11 twice late in paying the balance within a 2-year period, then a
- 12 penalty of 25% of the outstanding balance shall be assessed and
- 13 collected in addition to the fee, and the person is ineligible to
- 14 elect the apportionment payment plan for the next 2 registration
- 15 years following the year of the delinquency. The secretary of
- 16 state shall suspend the registration of any vehicle for which the
- 17 registration fee is not paid in full and transmit a statement of
- 18 the delinquent balance, including the penalty, to the department
- 19 of treasury for collection.
- 20 (4) If a person surrenders a registration plate purchased
- 21 under section $\frac{801(1)(j)}{801(1)(D)}$ or $\frac{801(1)(k)}{(E)}$ for a
- 22 registration under this section for the same vehicle, the
- 23 apportioned fee for the exchange registration shall bear the same
- 24 relationship to the fee required under this section for a 12-
- 25 month registration as the length of time the exchange
- 26 registration bears to 12 months. Partial months shall be
- 27 considered as whole months in the calculation of the required fee

- 1 and in the determination of the length of time between the
- 2 application for a registration and the last day of the month of
- 3 expiration. The calculation shall include any refund as a credit
- 4 provided for in UNDER section 801b(8). The fee required for the
- 5 registration shall be rounded off to whole dollars as provided in
- 6 section 801.
- 7 (5) If a person does not surrender a registration plate
- **8** purchased under section $\frac{801(1)(\frac{1}{2})}{801(1)}$ (D) or $\frac{801(1)(k)}{(k)}$ (E) for
- 9 a registration under this section, the apportioned fee shall be
- 10 determined as provided for in this section except the apportioned
- 11 fee for a registration purchased shall bear the same relationship
- 12 to the fee required under this section for a 12-month
- 13 registration as the length of time the registration bears to 12
- 14 months. Partial months shall be considered as whole months in the
- 15 calculation of the required fee and in the determination of the
- 16 length of time between the application for a registration and the
- 17 last day of the month of expiration. The fee required for this
- 18 registration shall be rounded off to whole dollars as provided in
- 19 section 801. Fees under this subsection shall not be prorated for
- 20 less than 6 months.
- 21 (6) Upon proper application for registration of a vehicle
- 22 under this section, the secretary of state may issue a temporary
- 23 registration which shall be THAT IS valid for not more than 45
- 24 days from the date of issuance.
- 25 (7) The secretary of state may designate an owner or
- 26 registrant having a fleet of motor vehicles currently registered
- 27 under this section to act as an agent for the secretary of state

- 1 for the purpose of issuing to himself or herself a temporary
- 2 registration. Upon issuance of a temporary registration an agent
- 3 shall make proper application for an international registration
- 4 plan registration to the secretary of state within 5 days after
- 5 issuance of the temporary registration.
- **6** (8) An owner issued a temporary registration under this
- 7 section is liable for the fees provided in this section.
- **8** (9) If the owner of a vehicle for which a temporary
- 9 registration is issued under this section fails to pay the
- 10 registration fee as required in this section, the secretary of
- 11 state shall suspend the registrations of all vehicles registered
- 12 by that owner under this section. The registrations shall remain
- 13 suspended until the fee is paid.
- 14 Sec. 801j. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection
- 15 (6), in addition to the required vehicle registration tax under
- 16 section 801(1)(p), 801(1)(J), a regional transit authority
- 17 created under the regional transit authority act, 2012 PA 387,
- 18 MCL 124.541 to 124.558, may charge an additional tax on vehicle
- 19 registrations issued to residents of a public transit region of
- 20 not more than \$1.20 for each \$1,000.00 or fraction of \$1,000.00
- 21 of the vehicle's list price as used in calculating the tax under
- 22 section 801(1)(p). 801(1)(J). The authority may charge the
- 23 additional tax only upon the approval of a majority of the
- 24 electors in a public transit region voting on the tax at an
- 25 election held on the regular November election date as provided
- 26 in section 641(1)(d) of the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116,
- **27** MCL 168.641.

- 1 (2) In addition to any other requirements imposed by law,
- 2 the ballot question proposing authorization of the tax under
- 3 subsection (1) shall specify how the proceeds of the tax shall be
- 4 expended.
- 5 (3) The tax collected under this section shall only be used
- 6 by the regional transit authority for comprehensive
- 7 transportation purposes as defined by law for purposes of section
- 8 9 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963.
- 9 (4) A proposal for a tax under this section shall not be
- 10 placed on the ballot under subsection (1) unless the proposal is
- 11 adopted by a resolution of the board of directors of the regional
- 12 transit authority and certified by the board of directors not
- 13 later than 70 days before the election to the county clerk of
- 14 each county within the public transit region for inclusion on the
- 15 ballot.
- 16 (5) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (6), if a
- 17 majority of voters in a public transit region approve a tax under
- 18 subsection (1), no later than 1 year after voter approval, the
- 19 secretary of state shall collect the tax on all vehicles
- 20 registered to residents of the public transit region under
- 21 section 801(1)(p) 801(1)(J) and shall credit the tax collected to
- 22 the regional transit authority, minus necessary collection
- 23 expenses as provided in section 9 of article IX of the state
- 24 constitution of 1963. Necessary collection expenses incurred by
- 25 the secretary of state under this subsection shall be based upon
- 26 an established cost allocation methodology.
- 27 (6) This section does not apply to a company test vehicle.

- 1 As used in this subsection, "company test vehicle" means a
- 2 vehicle that is owned by a manufacturer and that satisfies 1 or
- 3 both of the following:
- 4 (a) The vehicle is part of a product testing program as
- 5 defined by the United States department DEPARTMENT of treasury
- **6 TREASURY** under treas. reg. 1.132-5(n) (2001).
- 7 (b) The vehicle is furnished by the manufacturer to an
- 8 employee of the manufacturer for the purpose of testing,
- 9 evaluating product quality and performance, reporting defects, or
- 10 suggesting product or production improvements as an ordinary and
- 11 necessary business expense of the manufacturer.
- 12 Sec. 802. (1) For a special registration issued under
- 13 section 226(8), the registrant shall pay 1/2 the tax imposed
- 14 under section 801 and a service fee of \$10.00.
- 15 (2) For all commercial vehicles registered after August 31
- 16 for the period expiring the last day of February, the secretary
- 17 of state shall collect a tax of 1/2 the rate otherwise imposed
- 18 under this act. This subsection does not apply to vehicles
- 19 registered by manufacturers or dealers under sections 244 to 247.
- 20 (3) For each special registration under section 226(9), the
- 21 secretary of state shall collect a service fee of \$10.00.
- 22 (4) For temporary registration plates or markers under
- 23 section 226a(1), the secretary of state shall collect a service
- 24 fee in an amount determined by the secretary of state to reflect
- 25 the actual cost of administering the temporary registration
- 26 plates and markers program, or in the amount of \$4.00 per plate
- 27 or marker, whichever is less.

- 1 (5) For a temporary registration under section 226b, the fee
- 2 shall be either of the following:
- **3** (a) For a 30-day temporary registration, 1/10 of the tax
- 4 prescribed under section 801 or \$20.00, whichever is greater, and
- 5 an additional \$10.00 service fee.
- **6** (b) For a 60-day temporary registration, 1/5 of the tax
- 7 prescribed under section 801 or \$40.00, whichever is greater, and
- 8 an additional \$10.00 service fee.
- **9** (6) For registration plates as provided for in section
- 10 226a(5), (6), and (7), the secretary of state shall collect a
- 11 service fee of \$40.00 for 2 registration plates and \$20.00 for
- 12 each additional registration plate.
- 13 (7) For special registrations issued for special mobile
- 14 equipment as provided in section 216(d), the secretary of state
- 15 shall collect a service fee of \$15.00 each for the first 3
- 16 special registrations, and \$5.00 for each special registration
- 17 issued in excess of the first 3.
- 18 (8) The secretary of state, upon request, may issue a
- 19 registration valid for 3 months for use on a vehicle with an
- 20 elected gross weight of 24,000 pounds or greater on the payment
- 21 of 1/4 the tax provided in section 801(1)(k) 801(1)(E) and a
- 22 service fee of \$10.00.
- 23 (9) Upon application to the secretary of state, an owner of
- 24 a truck, truck tractor, or road tractor that is used exclusively
- 25 for the purpose of gratuitously transporting farm crops or
- 26 livestock bedding between the field where produced and the place
- 27 of storage, feed from on-farm storage to an on-farm feeding site,

- 1 or fertilizer, seed, or spray material from the farm location to
- 2 the field may obtain a special registration. The service fee for
- 3 each special registration issued under this subsection is \$20.00.
- 4 The special registration is valid for a period of up to 12 months
- 5 and expires on December 31. As used in this subsection:
- 6 (a) "Feed" means hay or silage.
- 7 (b) "Livestock bedding" means straw, sawdust, or sand.
- 8 (10) The secretary of state, upon request, may issue a
- 9 special registration valid for 3 or more months for a road
- 10 tractor, truck, or truck tractor owned by a farmer, if the motor
- 11 vehicle is used exclusively in connection with the farmer's
- 12 farming operations or for the transportation of the farmer and
- 13 the farmer's family and not used for hire. The fee for the
- 14 registration is 1/10 of the tax provided in section 801(1)(c) 801
- 15 times the number of months for which the special registration is
- 16 requested and, in addition, a service fee of \$10.00. The
- 17 secretary of state shall not issue a special registration for a
- 18 motor vehicle for which the tax under section 801(1)(c) 801 would
- 19 be less than \$50.00.
- 20 (11) The secretary of state, upon request, may issue a
- 21 registration valid for 3 months or more for use on a vehicle with
- 22 an elected gross weight of 24,000 pounds or greater. The fee for
- 23 the registration shall be 1/12 of the tax provided in section
- 801(1)(k), 801(1)(E), times the number of months for which the
- 25 special registration is requested and, in addition, a service fee
- **26** of \$10.00.
- 27 (12) The secretary of state shall deposit the service fees

- 1 collected under subsections (1), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8),
- 2 (9), (10), and (11) in the transportation administration
- 3 collection fund created in section 810b through October 1, 2019.
- 4 Sec. 803d. A disabled person may make application to the
- 5 secretary of state and the secretary of state may issue special
- 6 registration plates inscribed with the official international
- 7 wheelchair symbol or a reasonable facsimile of that symbol and
- 8 special identification numbers. Vehicles registered pursuant to
- 9 section 801(1)(a) may be issued special registration plates
- 10 pursuant to this section. A vehicle which THAT is used to
- 11 transport disabled persons may qualify for these distinguishing
- 12 plates when the registered owner of the vehicle resides at the
- 13 same address as the disabled person, submits as part of his or
- 14 her application for the plates a statement to the effect that the
- 15 vehicle is used for that purpose, and provides the secretary of
- 16 state with a medical statement attesting to the fact that the
- 17 person being transported is a disabled person. The fees for the
- 18 special registration plates shall correspond with the
- 19 registration fees provided in section 801(1)(a). 801. Application
- 20 for the special plates shall be on a form prescribed by the
- 21 secretary of state. As part of a penalty imposed for violation of
- 22 the special privileges conferred by this section, a magistrate or
- 23 judge may order the special plates confiscated and returned to
- 24 the secretary of state together with a certified copy of the
- 25 sentence imposed. The use of special plates on a vehicle other
- 26 than the vehicle for which the plates are issued or by a person
- 27 who does not qualify under this section is a misdemeanor.

- 1 Sec. 809. (1) An applicant for transfer of registration from 2 a vehicle subject to section 801(1)(a) to another vehicle subject to that section shall accompany the application with a fee of 3 4 \$8.00. In addition to the fee of \$8.00, if the registration is 5 transferred from a passenger vehicle to a motor home and if the 6 registration fee for the motor home is greater than the fee paid upon registration of the vehicle from which the registration was 7 removed, then the applicant shall pay the difference in fee. If 8 9 the fee is less than that paid for the registration of the vehicle from which the plates were removed, the secretary of 10 state shall not refund the difference. The fees required by this 11 12 subsection include all fees or charges imposed by this act for 13 the transfer of registration, except those that may be assessed 14 under section 234. (1) $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$ An applicant for a transfer of registration , other 15 than a transfer described in subsection (1), shall accompany the 16 application with a fee of \$8.00. In addition to the fee of \$8.00, 17 if the registration plates are transferred to another vehicle, as 18 19 provided in section 233, and if the registration plate fee for a 20 12-month registration for the vehicle to which the registration is transferred is greater than the registration plate fee paid 21 upon registration of the vehicle from which the registration was 22 removed, then the applicant shall pay the difference for the new 23 registration. If the fee is less than that paid for registration 24 of the vehicle from which the registration was removed, the 25
- 27 (2) (3) A transfer of registration fee collected under this

secretary of state shall not refund the difference.

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- ${f 1}$ section on and after October 1, 2004 through October 1, 2019
- 2 shall be deposited into the transportation administration
- 3 collection fund created under section 810b.
- 4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 5 after the date it is enacted into law.

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