
HOUSE BILL 2689

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring an electric motorcycle registration
2 renewal fee; amending RCW 46.17.323; creating a new section; and
3 providing a contingent expiration date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.17.323 and 2012 c 74 s 10 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) Before accepting an application for an annual vehicle
8 registration renewal for an electric vehicle that uses propulsion units
9 powered solely by electricity, except for electric motorcycles, the
10 department, county auditor or other agent, or subagent appointed by the
11 director must require the applicant to pay a one hundred dollar fee in
12 addition to any other fees and taxes required by law. The one hundred
13 dollar fee is due only at the time of annual registration renewal.

14 (2) Before accepting an application for an annual vehicle
15 registration renewal for an electric motorcycle that uses propulsion
16 units powered solely by electricity, the department, county auditor or
17 other agent, or subagent appointed by the director must require the
18 applicant to pay a forty dollar fee in addition to any other fees and

1 taxes required by law. The forty dollar fee is due only at the time of
2 annual registration renewal.

3 (3) This section only applies to:

4 (a) A vehicle that is designed to have the capability to drive at
5 a speed of more than thirty-five miles per hour; and

6 (b) An annual vehicle registration renewal that is due on or after
7 February 1, 2013.

8 ~~((3))~~ (4)(a) The fee under this section is imposed to provide
9 funds to mitigate the impact of vehicles on state roads and highways
10 and for the purpose of evaluating the feasibility of transitioning from
11 a revenue collection system based on fuel taxes to a road user
12 assessment system, and is separate and distinct from other vehicle
13 license fees. Proceeds from the fee must be used for highway purposes,
14 and must be deposited in the motor vehicle fund created in RCW
15 46.68.070, subject to (b) of this subsection.

16 (b) If in any year the amount of proceeds from the fee collected
17 under this section exceeds one million dollars, the excess amount over
18 one million dollars must be deposited as follows:

19 (i) Seventy percent to the motor vehicle fund created in RCW
20 46.68.070;

21 (ii) Fifteen percent to the transportation improvement account
22 created in RCW 47.26.084; and

23 (iii) Fifteen percent to the rural arterial trust account created
24 in RCW 36.79.020.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act expires on the
26 effective date of legislation enacted by the legislature that imposes
27 a vehicle miles traveled fee or tax.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The department of licensing must provide
29 written notice of the expiration date of section 1 of this act to
30 affected parties, the chief clerk of the house of representatives, the
31 secretary of the senate, the office of the code reviser, and others as
32 deemed appropriate by the department.

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