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SENATE FILE 453

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
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Vote: Ayes 45 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 92 Nays 0
Approved April 25, 1983

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the staggered registration of vehicles.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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SENATE FILE 453
FISCAL NOTE

REQUESTED BY SENATOR DRAKE

In compliance with a written request there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for Senate File 453 pursuant to Joint Rule 17.

Senate File 453 amends the staggered motor vehicle registration law enacted by the Sixty-ninth General Assembly during the 1982 session. The amendments are to the 1982 Iowa Acts since these provisions were not codified because the effective date occurred after July 1, 1983. The bill removes references to mobile home registration because mobile homes are no longer subject to the motor vehicle registration laws. The remaining amendments are basically corrective or clarifying in nature.

This bill takes effect December 1 following enactment for registrations for the succeeding registration year.

Fiscal Impact: There is no effect since the fee schedule is not changed only the time of collecting the fee.

Source: Department of Transportation (1210S, 83-389, TAF)

FILED: MARCH 30, 1983 BY LEGISLATIVE FISCAL BUREAU DENNIS C. PROUTY, DIRECTOR

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2 amended to read as follows:

3 SEC. 2. Section 321.1, Code 1981, is amended by adding
4 the following new subsection:

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7 month following the month of the birth of the owner of the
8 vehicle for vehicles registered by the county treasurer and
9 the calendar year for vehicles registered by the department
10 or ~~vehicles~~ motor trucks and truck tractors with a combined
11 gross weight exceeding five tons which are registered by the
12 county treasurer ~~and mobile-homes.~~

13 Sec. 2. Section 321.46, Code 1981, as amended by 1982
14 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 8, is amended by insert-
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16 paragraph:

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18 the unexpired number of months computed from the date of
19 purchase of the vehicle acquired.

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34 truck tractor, or road tractor is registered for a combined
35 gross weight exceeding five tons and there is no delinquency

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3 ~~the basis of one-twelfth of the annual registration fee~~
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5 unexpired months of the registration year. A fee shall not
6 be required for the month of December for a vehicle registered
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9 is no delinquency and the registration is made in the month
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11 months the registration fee shall be prorated for the remaining
12 unexpired months of the registration year. A fee shall not
13 be required for the month of the owner's birthday for a vehicle
14 on which there is no delinquency. ~~Whenever any~~ If a fee
15 computed under this section contains a fractional part of
16 a dollar, the fee shall be computed to the nearest whole
17 dollar. A fee computed under this section shall not be less
18 than five dollars. The fee so computed shall be deemed to
19 be the annual registration fee for the remainder of the
20 registration year.

21 A reduction in the registration fee shall not be allowed
22 by the department until the applicant files satisfactory
23 evidence to prove that there is no delinquency in registration.

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25 amended to read as follows:

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27 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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29 month following the beginning of each registration year a
30 penalty of five percent of the annual registration fee shall
31 be added to the registration fees not paid by that date and
32 an additional penalty of five percent shall be added the first
33 day of each succeeding month, until the fee is paid. A penalty
34 shall not be less than five dollars. If the owner of a vehicle
35 surrenders the registration plates for a vehicle prior to

1 the ~~time-they-expire~~ plates becoming delinquent, to the county
2 treasurer of the county where the vehicle is registered, or
3 to the department if the vehicle is registered under chapter
4 326, the owner may register the vehicle any time thereafter
5 upon payment of the registration fee for the registration
6 year without penalty. The penalty on vehicles registered
7 under chapter 326 shall accrue February 1 of each year.

8 The annual registration fee for trucks, truck tractors,
9 and road tractors, as provided in sections 321.121 and 321.122,
10 may be payable in two equal semiannual installments if the
11 annual registration fee exceeds the registration fee for a
12 vehicle with a gross weight exceeding five tons. The penalties
13 provided in the preceding unnumbered paragraph shall be
14 computed on the amount of the first installment only and on
15 the first day of the seventh month of the registration period
16 the same rate of penalty shall apply to the second installment,
17 until the fee is paid. Semiannual installments shall do not
18 apply to commercial vehicles subject to proportional
19 registration, with a base state other than the state of Iowa,
20 as defined in section 326.2, subsection 6. The penalty on
21 vehicles registered under chapter 326 shall ~~accrue~~ accrue
22 August 1 of each year.

23 If a penalty applies to any a vehicle registration fee
24 provided for in sections 321.121 and 321.122, the same penalty
25 shall be assessed on the fees collected to increase the
26 registered gross weight of the vehicle, if the increased gross
27 weight is requested within forty-five days from the date the
28 delinquent vehicle is registered for the current registration
29 period.

30 Sec. 6. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 28, is
31 amended to read as follows:

32 SEC. 28. Section 321.166, subsection 2, Code 1981, is
33 amended to read as follows:

34 2. Every registration plate or pair of plates shall display
35 a registration plate number which shall consist of alphabetical

1 or numerical characters or a combination thereof and the name
2 of this state, which may be abbreviated. Every registration
3 plate issued by the county treasurer shall display the name
4 of the county except plates issued for ~~motor-trucks-with-a~~
5 ~~combined-gross-weight-exceeding-five-tons~~, truck tractors,
6 motorcycles, motorized bicycles, travel trailers, ~~mobile~~
7 ~~homes~~, semitrailers and trailers. The year of expiration
8 or the date of expiration shall be displayed on vehicle
9 registration plates, except plates issued under section 321.19.
10 ~~Registration-plates-issued-for-motor-trucks-and-truck-tractors~~
11 ~~shall-be-designed-in-such-a-manner-that-the-gross-weight-for~~
12 ~~which-the-vehicle-is-registered-may-be-displayed-on-the-plate.~~
13 Special truck registration plates shall display the word
14 "special".

15 Sec. 7. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 34, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 SEC. 34. Chapter 321, Code 1981, is amended by adding
18 the following new section:

19 NEW SECTION. MULTIPLE REGISTRATION PERIODS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

20 1. There are established twelve registration periods for
21 the registration of vehicles by the county treasurer. Each
22 registration period shall commence on the first day of each
23 calendar month following the month of the birth of the owner
24 of the vehicle and end on the last day of the twelfth month.
25 ~~Every-vehicle-registered-by-the-county-treasurer-shall-be~~
26 ~~registered-for-a-full-twelve-month-period,-except-mobile-homes~~
27 ~~that-are-registered-on-a-semiannual-basis,-vehicles-registered~~
28 ~~under-section-321-24-or-321-46,-vehicles-registered-under~~
29 ~~chapter-326,-and-trucks-with-a-gross-weight-exceeding-five~~
30 ~~tons-which-may-be-registered-on-a-semiannual-basis.~~

31 2. The county treasurer may adjust the renewal or
32 expiration date of vehicles when deemed necessary to equalize
33 the number of vehicles registered in each twelve-month period
34 or for the administrative efficiency of the county treasurer's
35 office. The adjustment shall be accomplished by delivery

1 of a written notice to the vehicle owner of the adjustment
2 and allowance of a credit for the remaining months of the
3 unused portion of the registration fee, rounded to the nearest
4 whole dollar, which amount shall be deducted from the annual
5 registration fee due at the time of registration. Upon receipt
6 of the notification the owner shall, within thirty days,
7 surrender the registration card and registration plates to
8 the county treasurer of the county where the vehicle is
9 registered, except that the registration plates shall not
10 be surrendered if validation stickers or other emblems are
11 used to designate the month and year of expiration of
12 registration. Upon payment of the annual registration fee,
13 less the credit allowed for the remaining months of the unused
14 portion of the registration fee, the county treasurer shall
15 issue a new registration card and registration plates,
16 validation stickers, or emblems which indicate the month and
17 year of expiration of registration.

18 3. Vehicles subject to registration which are owned by
19 a person other than a natural person shall be registered for
20 a registration year as determined by the county treasurer.

21 Sec. 8. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 35, is
22 amended by adding the following new subsection:

23 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. When a registration fee computed con-
24 tains a fractional part of a dollar, the fee shall be computed
25 to the nearest whole dollar. However, the fee shall not be
26 less than one dollar.

27 Sec. 9. Section 321.128, Code 1983, is amended to read
28 as follows:

29 321.128 PAYMENT AUTHORIZED. The department ~~is hereby~~
30 ~~authorized to~~ may make ~~such~~ the payments ~~according to the~~
31 ~~above provisions~~ under sections 321.126 and 321.127, when
32 sufficient proof of such destruction by accident, or the
33 junking and entire elimination of identity as a motor vehicle,
34 ~~sale to a person whose residence or place of business is~~
35 ~~without the state,~~ theft, or storage by an owner entering

1 the military service of the United States in time of war,
2 ~~or removal for continuous use beyond the boundaries of the~~
3 ~~state~~, is properly certified, approved by the county treasurer,
4 and filed with the department.

5 ~~The decision of the department shall be final.~~

6 Sec. 10. Section 321.108, Code 1983, is repealed.

7 Sec. 11. This Act takes effect December 1 following
8 enactment for registration fees payable on or after that date
9 for vehicle registrations for the succeeding registration
10 year.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The bill amends the staggered motor vehicle registration
13 law enacted by the Sixty-ninth General Assembly during the
14 1982 Session. The amendments are to the 1982 Iowa Acts since
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16 occurred after July 1, 1983. The bill removes references
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18 subject to the motor vehicle registration laws. The remaining
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SENATE FILE 453

S-3245

Amend Senate File 453 as follows:

1. Page 1, by inserting after line 19 the following section:

"Sec. ____ . Section 321.46, subsection 3, paragraph g, Code 1981, as amended by 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 8, is amended to read as follows:

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S-3245 FILED
MARCH 16, 1983

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
C. JOSEPH COLEMAN, CHAIR

Adopted 3/28/83 (p. 975)

SENATE FILE 453

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Substituted for S.F. 603 4/8/83

(AS AMENDED AND PASSED BY THE SENATE MARCH 28, 1983)

Passed Senate, Date 3-28-83 (p. 975) Passed House, Date 4-8-83 (p. 1133)

Vote: Ayes 45 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 92 Nays 0

Approved April 25, 1983 (p. 1405)

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15 year without penalty. The penalty on vehicles registered
16 under chapter 326 shall accrue February 1 of each year.

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10 of a written notice to the vehicle owner of the adjustment
11 and allowance of a credit for the remaining months of the
12 unused portion of the registration fee, rounded to the nearest
13 whole dollar, which amount shall be deducted from the annual
14 registration fee due at the time of registration. Upon receipt
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16 surrender the registration card and registration plates to
17 the county treasurer of the county where the vehicle is
18 registered, except that the registration plates shall not
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SENATE FILE 453

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STAGGERED REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Sec. 3. Section 321.46, subsection 3, paragraph g, Code 1981, as amended by 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 8, is amended to read as follows:

g. The credit allowed shall not exceed the amount of the registration fee for the vehicle acquired. ~~if the registration fee upon application is delinquent, the applicant shall be required to pay the delinquent fee from the first day the registration fee was due prorated to the month of application for new title.~~

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A reduction in the registration fee shall not be allowed by the department until the applicant files satisfactory evidence to prove that there is no delinquency in registration.

Sec. 6. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 25, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 25. Section 321.134, Code 1981, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

321.134 MONTHLY PENALTY. On the first day of the second month following the beginning of each registration year a penalty of five percent of the annual registration fee shall be added to the registration fees not paid by that date and an additional penalty of five percent shall be added the first day of each succeeding month, until the fee is paid. A penalty shall not be less than five dollars. If the owner of a vehicle surrenders the registration plates for a vehicle prior to the time they expire ~~plates becoming delinquent~~, to the county treasurer of the county where the vehicle is registered, or to the department if the vehicle is registered under chapter 326, the owner may register the vehicle any time thereafter upon payment of the registration fee for the registration year without penalty. The penalty on vehicles registered under chapter 326 shall accrue February 1 of each year.

The annual registration fee for trucks, truck tractors, and road tractors, as provided in sections 321.121 and 321.122, may be payable in two equal semiannual installments if the annual registration fee exceeds the registration fee for a vehicle with a gross weight exceeding five tons. The penalties provided in the preceding unnumbered paragraph shall be computed on the amount of the first installment only and on the first day of the seventh month of the registration period the same rate of penalty shall apply to the second installment, until the fee is paid. Semiannual installments ~~shall~~ do not apply to commercial vehicles subject to proportional registration, with a base state other than the state of Iowa, as defined in section 325.2, subsection 6. The penalty on vehicles registered under chapter 326 ~~shall accrue~~ accrues August 1 of each year.

If a penalty applies to any a vehicle registration fee provided for in sections 321.121 and 321.122, the same penalty shall be assessed on the fees collected to increase the registered gross weight of the vehicle, if the increased gross

weight is requested within forty-five days from the date the delinquent vehicle is registered for the current registration period.

Sec. 7. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 28, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 28. Section 321.166, subsection 2, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

2. Every registration plate or pair of plates shall display a registration plate number which shall consist of alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination thereof and the name of this state, which may be abbreviated. Every registration plate issued by the county treasurer shall display the name of the county except plates issued for ~~motor-trucks-with-a combined-gross-weight-exceeding-five-tons~~ truck tractors, motorcycles, motorized bicycles, travel trailers, ~~mobile homes~~ semitrailers and trailers. The year of expiration or the date of expiration shall be displayed on vehicle registration plates, except plates issued under section 321.19. ~~Registration-plates-issued-for-motor-trucks-and-truck-tractors shall-be-designed-in-such-a-manner-that-the-gross-weight-for which-the-vehicle-is-registered-may-be-displayed-on-the-plate~~ Special truck registration plates shall display the word "special".

Sec. 8. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 34, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 34. Chapter 321, Code 1981, is amended by adding the following new sections:

NEW SECTION. MULTIPLE REGISTRATION PERIODS AND ADJUSTMENTS.

1. There are established twelve registration periods for the registration of vehicles by the county treasurer. Each registration period shall commence on the first day of each calendar month following the month of the birth of the owner of the vehicle and end on the last day of the twelfth month. ~~Every-vehicle-registered-by-the-county-treasurer-shall-be registered-for-a-full-twelve-month-period, except mobile-homes that-are-registered-on-a-semiannual-basis, vehicles-registered under-section-321-24-or-321-46, vehicles-registered-under chapter-326, and-trucks-with-a-gross-weight-exceeding-five-tons-which-may-be-registered-on-a-semiannual-basis~~

2. The county treasurer may adjust the renewal or expiration date of vehicles when deemed necessary to equalize the number of vehicles registered in each twelve-month period or for the administrative efficiency of the county treasurer's office. The adjustment shall be accomplished by delivery of a written notice to the vehicle owner of the adjustment and allowance of a credit for the remaining months of the unused portion of the registration fee, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, which amount shall be deducted from the annual registration fee due at the time of registration. Upon receipt of the notification the owner shall, within thirty days, surrender the registration card and registration plates to the county treasurer of the county where the vehicle is registered, except that the registration plates shall not be surrendered if validation stickers or other emblems are used to designate the month and year of expiration of registration. Upon payment of the annual registration fee, less the credit allowed for the remaining months of the unused portion of the registration fee, the county treasurer shall issue a new registration card and registration plates, validation stickers, or emblems which indicate the month and year of expiration of registration.

3. Vehicles subject to registration which are owned by a person other than a natural person shall be registered for a registration year as determined by the county treasurer.

Sec. 9. 1982 Iowa Acts, chapter 1062, section 35, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 4. When a registration fee computed contains a fractional part of a dollar, the fee shall be computed to the nearest whole dollar. However, the fee shall not be less than one dollar.

Sec. 10. Section 321.128, Code 1983, is amended to read as follows:

321.128 PAYMENT AUTHORIZED. The department ~~is hereby authorized to may~~ make such ~~the~~ payments ~~according to the above provisions~~ under sections 321.126 and 321.127, when sufficient proof of such destruction by accident, or the junking and entire elimination of identity as a motor vehicle,

~~sale to a person whose residence or place of business is without the state, theft, or storage by an owner entering the military service of the United States in time of war, or removal for continuous use beyond the boundaries of the state, is properly certified, approved by the county treasurer, and filed with the department.~~

~~The decision of the department shall be final.~~

Sec. 11. Section 321.108, Code 1983, is repealed.

Sec. 12. This Act takes effect December 1 following enactment for registration fees payable on or after that date for vehicle registrations for the succeeding registration year.

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ROBERT T. ANDERSON
President of the Senate

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DONALD D. AVENSON
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 453, Seventieth General Assembly.

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K. MARIE THAYER
Secretary of the Senate

Approved *April 25* 1983

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TERRY E. BRANSTAD
Governor