
DIGEST

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HB No. 228

Abstract: Adjusts method by which license plate fee for trucks under 10,000 pounds is paid.

Present law provides that the license plate fee on trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors is charged according to use and per 100 pound weight increments.

Present law provides that for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors under 6,000 pounds the license plate fee is \$10 per year.

Present law provides that for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors between 6,001 and 8,000 pounds the license plate fee is 0.35 per 100 pounds.

Present law provides that for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors between 8,001 and 10,000 pounds the license plate fee is 0.36 per 100 pounds.

Proposed law retains present law for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors under 6,000 pounds.

Proposed law provides that for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors between 6,001 pounds and 10,000 pounds the license plate fee is \$28 per year.

Proposed law retains present law for Class 2 (forest products), Class 3 (gravel haul), Class 4 (city use only), and Class 5 (farm trucks) of any weight.

Present law provides that the license plate fee for each Class 1 truck, tandem truck, and truck-tractor 6,000 pounds or less, be paid every four years, pursuant to a staggered registration system.

Proposed law provides that the license plate fee for each Class 1 truck, tandem truck, and truck-tractor 10,000 pounds or less, be paid every four years, pursuant to a staggered registration system.

Present law provides that any truck having a gross vehicle weight of not more than 10,000 pounds which is registered in the state and is operated exclusively for noncommercial, private use is eligible for any prestige license plate.

Proposed law provides that any truck having a gross vehicle weight of not more than 10,000 pounds which is registered in the state is eligible for any prestige license plate.

Present law provides that the regular motor vehicle registration fee for issuing a prestige license plate to trucks with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 6,000 pounds shall be based on the rate schedule for trucks as provided by law.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Present law provides that the minimum annual license fee for each vehicle shall be \$10.

Proposed law provides that the minimum annual license fee for each vehicle subject to a license fee shall be \$10, except that the minimum annual license fee shall be \$28 for trucks weighted at 10,000 pounds or less.

Present law provides that every registration of a motor truck or tandem truck having a gross weight per load carrying axle up to and including 6,000 pounds or less for which the registration or license tax is paid for two years shall expire two years from the date the registration or license tax is paid and shall be renewed every second year on or before the last day of the month.

Proposed law provides that every registration of a motor truck or tandem truck having a gross weight per load carrying axle up to and including 10,000 pounds or less for which the registration or license tax is paid for four years shall expire four years from the date the registration or license tax is paid and shall be renewed every fourth year on or before the last day of the month.

(Amends R.S. 47:462(B)(3)(a) and (6) and (C), 475, and 508(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Changed license plate fee for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors under 6,000 from a \$28 fee per year as in proposed law back to license plate fee of \$10 per year as in present law .
2. Retained \$28 fee per year for Class 1 trucks, tandem trucks, and truck-tractors between 6,001 and 10,000 pounds as presented in proposed law.