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1 Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means

2 Date:

3 Subject: Executive Branch fees

4 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to adjust certain

5 Executive Branch fees.

6 An act relating to Executive Branch fees

7 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

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9 * * * Transportation * * *

10 * * * Miscellaneous Fees * * *

11 **Sec. 47.** 23 V.S.A. § 7(d) is amended to read:

12 (d) The fee for an enhanced license shall be ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00 in addition to
13 the fees otherwise established by this title.

14 **Sec. 48.** 23 V.S.A. § 114 is amended to read:

15 § 114. FEES

16 (a) The Commissioner shall be paid the following fees for miscellaneous
17 transactions:

18 (1) Listings of 1 through 4 registrations	\$ 6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
19 (2) Certified copy of registration application	6.00 \$8.00
20 (3) Sample plates	15.00 <u>\$18.00</u>

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1	(4) Lists of registered dealers, transporters, periodic	
2	inspection stations, fuel dealers, and distributors	
3	including gallonage sold or delivered	
4	and rental vehicle companies	6.00 per page <u>\$8.00 per page</u>
5	(5) (Repealed)	
6	(6) Periodic inspection sticker record	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
7	(7) Certified copy individual accident <u>crash</u> report	10.00 <u>\$12.00</u>
8	(8) Certified copy police accident <u>crash</u> report	15.00 <u>\$18.00</u>
9	(9) Certified copy suspension notice	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
10	(10) Certified copy mail receipt	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
11	(11) Certified copy proof of mailing	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
12	(12) Certified copy reinstatement notice	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
13	(13) Certified copy operator's license application	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
14	(14) Certified copy three-year operating record	13.00 <u>\$14.00</u>
15	(15) Deleted <u>[Repealed.]</u>	
16	(16) Government official photo identification card	5.00 <u>\$6.00</u>
17	(17) Listing of operator's licenses of 1 through 4	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
18	(18) Statistics and research	35.00 per hour <u>\$42.00 per hour</u>
19	(19) Insurance information on accident <u>crash</u>	6.00 <u>\$8.00</u>
20	(20) Certified copy complete operating record	16.00 <u>\$20.00</u>
21	(21) Records not otherwise specified	6.00 per page <u>\$8.00 per page</u>
22	(22) List of title records and related data elements	

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1 Office of Veterans Affairs confirms his or her status as an honorably
2 discharged veteran or a veteran discharged under honorable conditions, the
3 identification card shall include the term “veteran” on its face. The
4 Commissioner shall require payment of a fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 at the time
5 application for an identification card is made, except that an initial nondriver
6 identification card shall be issued at no charge to a person who surrenders his
7 or her license in connection with a suspension or revocation under subsection
8 636(b) of this title due to a physical or mental condition.

9 (b) Every identification card shall expire, unless earlier canceled, on the
10 fourth birthday of the applicant following the date of original issue, and may
11 be renewed every four years upon payment of a ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 fee. At least
12 30 days before an identification card will expire, the Commissioner shall mail
13 first class to the cardholder an application to renew the identification card.

14 (c) In the event an identification card is lost, destroyed, mutilated, or a new
15 name is acquired, a replacement may be obtained upon furnishing satisfactory
16 proof to the Commissioner and paying a ~~\$15.00~~ \$20.00 fee.

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18 **Sec. 50.** 23 V.S.A. § 304(b) is amended to read:

19 (b) The authority to issue vanity motor vehicle number plates or special
20 number plates for safety organizations and service organizations shall reside
21 with the Commissioner. Determination of compliance with the criteria
22 contained in this section shall be within the discretion of the Commissioner.

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1 Series of number plates for safety and service organizations which are
2 authorized by the Commissioner shall be issued in order of approval, subject to
3 the operating considerations in the Department as determined by the
4 Commissioner. The Commissioner shall issue vanity and special organization
5 number plates in the following manner:

6 (1) Vanity plates. Subject to the restrictions of this section, vanity plates
7 shall be issued at the request of the registrant of a motor vehicle unless the
8 vehicle is registered under the International Registration Plan, upon application
9 and upon payment of an annual fee of ~~\$45.00~~ \$48.00 in addition to the annual
10 fee for registration. The Commissioner shall not issue two sets of plates
11 bearing the same initials or letters unless the plates also contain a
12 distinguishing number. Vanity plates are subject to reassignment if not
13 renewed within 60 days of expiration of the registration.

14 (2) Special organization plates.

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16 (B) The officer of a safety organization or service organization may
17 apply to the Commissioner to approve special plates indicating membership in
18 a qualifying organization to be issued to organization members for a ~~\$15.00~~
19 \$17.00 special fee for each set of plates in addition to the annual fee for
20 registration. The application shall include designation of an officer or member
21 to serve as the principal contact with the Department and a distinctive name or
22 emblem or both for use on the proposed special plate. The name and emblem

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1 shall not be objectively obscene or confusing to the general public and shall
2 not promote, advertise, or endorse a product, brand, or service provided for
3 sale. The organization's name and emblem must not infringe on or violate a
4 trademark, trade name, service mark, copyright, or other proprietary or
5 property right, and the organization must have the right to use the name and
6 emblem. After consulting with the principal contact, the Commissioner shall
7 determine the design of the special plate on the basis that the primary purpose
8 of motor vehicle number plates is vehicle identification. An organization may
9 have only one design, regardless of the number of individual organizational
10 units, squads, or departments within the State that may conduct the same or
11 substantially similar activities.

12 (C) After the plate design is finalized and an officer or the principal
13 contact provides the Commissioner a written statement authorizing issuance of
14 the plates, the organization shall deposit \$2,000.00 with the Commissioner. Of
15 this deposit, \$500.00 shall be retained by the Department to recover costs of
16 developing the organization plate. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 502, the
17 Commissioner may charge the actual costs of production of the plates against
18 the fees collected and the balance shall be deposited in the Transportation
19 Fund. Upon application, special plates shall be issued to a registrant of a
20 vehicle registered at the pleasure car rate or of a truck registered for less than
21 26,001 pounds (but excluding trucks registered under the International
22 Registration Plan) who furnishes the Commissioner satisfactory proof that he

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1 or she is a member of an organization that has satisfied the requirements of this
2 subdivision (b)(2). For each of the first 100 applicants to whom sets of plates
3 are issued, the ~~\$15.00~~ \$17.00 special plate fee shall not be collected and shall
4 be subtracted from the balance of the deposit. When the ~~\$1,500.00~~ \$1,700.00
5 balance of the deposit is depleted, applicants shall be required to pay the
6 ~~\$15.00~~ \$17.00 fee as provided for in subdivision (2)(B) of this subsection. No
7 organization shall charge its members any additional fee or premium charge
8 for the authorization, right, or privilege to display special number plates, but
9 any organization may recover up to ~~\$1,500.00~~ \$1,700.00 from applicants for
10 the special plates.

11 (D) When an individual's membership in a qualifying organization
12 ceases or is terminated, the individual shall surrender any special registration
13 plates issued under this subsection to the Commissioner forthwith. However, a
14 retired member of the Vermont National Guard may renew or, upon payment
15 of a \$10.00 fee, acquire, the special guard plates after notification of eligibility
16 for retired pay has been received.

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18 **Sec. 51.** 23 V.S.A. § 304b is amended to read:

19 § 304b. CONSERVATION MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES

20 (a) The Commissioner shall, upon application, issue conservation

21 registration plates for use only on vehicles registered at the pleasure car rate,

22 on trucks registered for less than 26,001 pounds, and on vehicles registered to

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1 State agencies under section 376 of this title, but excluding vehicles registered
2 under the International Registration Plan. Plates so acquired shall be mounted
3 on the front and rear of the vehicle. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and
4 the Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife shall determine the graphic design of
5 the special plates in a manner which serves to enhance the public awareness of
6 the State's interest in restoring and protecting its wildlife and major watershed
7 areas. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and the Commissioner of Fish
8 and Wildlife may alter the graphic design of these special plates provided that
9 plates in use at the time of a design alteration shall remain valid subject to the
10 operator's payment of the annual registration fee. Applicants shall apply on
11 forms prescribed by the Commissioner and shall pay an initial fee of ~~\$23.00~~
12 \$26.00 in addition to the annual fee for registration. In following years, in
13 addition to the annual registration fee, the holder of a conservation plate shall
14 pay a renewal fee of ~~\$23.00~~ \$26.00. The Commissioner may adopt rules under
15 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to implement the provisions of this subsection.

16 (b) Initial fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be
17 allocated as follows:

18 (1) ~~\$11.00~~ \$12.00 to the Transportation Fund.

19 (2) ~~\$6.00~~ \$7.00 to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for deposit into
20 the Nongame Wildlife Account created in 10 V.S.A. § 4048.

21 (3) ~~\$6.00~~ \$7.00 to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for deposit into
22 the Watershed Management Account created in 10 V.S.A. § 4050.

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1 (c) Renewal fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be
2 allocated as follows:

3 (1) ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00 to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for deposit
4 into the Nongame Wildlife Account created in 10 V.S.A. § 4048.

5 (2) ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00 to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for deposit
6 into the Watershed Management Account created in 10 V.S.A. § 4050.

7 (3) ~~\$3.00~~ \$4.00 to the Transportation Fund.

8 (d) The Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife is authorized to deposit fees
9 collected by the Department of Fish and Wildlife under subsections (b) and (c)
10 of this section into the Conservation Camp Fund when the fees collected
11 exceed the annual funding needs of the Nongame Wildlife Account and the
12 Watershed Management Account.

13 **Sec. 52.** 23 V.S.A. § 304c is amended to read:

14 § 304c. MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES: BUILDING

15 BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT FUTURES FUND

16 (a) The Commissioner shall, upon application, issue “Building Bright
17 Spaces for Bright Futures Fund,” hereinafter referred to as “the Bright Futures
18 Fund,” registration plates for use only on vehicles registered at the pleasure car
19 rate, on trucks registered for less than 26,001 pounds, on vehicles registered to
20 State agencies under section 376 of this title, and excluding vehicles registered
21 under the International Registration Plan. Plates so acquired shall be mounted
22 on the front and rear of the vehicle. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles

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1 shall utilize the graphic design recommended by the Commissioner for
2 Children and Families for the special plates to enhance the public awareness of
3 the State’s interest in supporting children’s services. Applicants shall apply on
4 forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, and shall pay an
5 initial fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 in addition to the annual fee for registration. In
6 following years, in addition to the annual registration fee, the holder of a
7 Bright Futures Fund plate shall pay a renewal fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00. The
8 Commissioner shall adopt rules under 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to implement the
9 provisions of this subsection.

10 (b) Fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be allocated as
11 follows:

12 (1) ~~\$5.00~~ \$7.00 to the Transportation Fund.

13 (2) ~~\$15.00~~ \$17.00 to the Department for Children and Families for
14 deposit in the Bright Futures Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

15 (c) Renewal fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be
16 allocated as follows:

17 (1) ~~\$17.00~~ \$19.00 to the Department for Children and Families for
18 deposit in the Bright Futures Fund in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

19 (2) ~~\$3.00~~ \$5.00 to the Transportation Fund.

20 (d) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall be charged by the Department
21 of Corrections for the production of the Bright Futures Fund license plates.

22 **Sec. 53.** 23 V.S.A. § 307 is amended to read:

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1 § 307. CARRYING OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

2 A person shall not operate a motor vehicle nor draw a trailer or semi-trailer
3 unless the registration certificate thereof is carried in some easily accessible
4 place in such motor vehicle. In case of the loss, mutilation, or destruction of
5 such certificate, the owner of the vehicle described therein shall forthwith
6 notify the Commissioner and remit a fee of ~~\$15.00~~ \$16.00 whereupon the
7 Commissioner shall furnish such owner with a duplicate certificate. A
8 corrected registration certificate shall be furnished by the Commissioner upon
9 request and receipt of a fee of ~~\$15.00~~ \$16.00.

10 **Sec. 54.** 23 V.S.A. § 308 is amended to read:

11 § 308. SUSPENSION AND, REVOCATION, AND DENIAL OF 12 REGISTRATION; REINSTATEMENT FEE

13 (a) The Commissioner may suspend or revoke the registration of any motor
14 vehicle, registered in this State, and repossess the number plates assigned to it,
15 when he or she is satisfied that:

16 (1) the vehicle has been stolen and that the registrant does not have legal
17 title;

18 (2) the vehicle is in such poor mechanical condition as to make its
19 operation and use a menace or danger;

20 (3) the vehicle is operated without proper equipment after the owner has
21 been notified to procure and use such equipment as is required by law or
22 Department rules;

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1 (4) the owner of the motor vehicle has perpetrated some fraud upon the
2 Department of Motor Vehicles;

3 (5) the owner of the motor vehicle is an habitual user of intoxicating
4 liquor to excess;

5 (6) the number plates were erroneously issued;

6 (7) suspension or revocation is authorized under any other provision of
7 law; or

8 (8) the commercial motor carrier responsible for safety of the vehicle
9 has been prohibited from operating by a federal agency.

10 (b) The Commissioner shall deny registration if the applicant fails to
11 disclose material information required, or if the applicant has made a
12 materially false statement on the application, or if the applicant's business is
13 operated, managed, or otherwise controlled or affiliated with a person who is
14 ineligible for registration, including the applicant entity, a relative, family
15 member, corporate officer, or shareholder. A person whose privilege to
16 operate has been suspended in accordance with subsection 3009(b) or 3103(b)
17 of this title or section 110 of this title where the payments were due pursuant to
18 section 3015 or 3106 of this title shall be ineligible for registration. The
19 Department shall deny registration for a vehicle that has been assigned for
20 safety to a commercial motor carrier who has been prohibited from operating
21 by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration or a carrier whose business
22 is operated, managed, or otherwise controlled or affiliated with a person who is

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1 ineligible for registration, including the owner, a relative, family member,
2 corporate officer, or shareholder.

3 (c) Prior to terminating the revocation of a registration or reinstating a
4 registration following suspension, the Commissioner shall require payment of
5 a fee equivalent to the fee prescribed in section 675 of this title, except that no
6 such fee shall be imposed if the registration was suspended or revoked
7 following its erroneous issuance by the Commissioner. This fee shall be in
8 addition to any other fee that may be required by law.

9 **Sec. 55.** 23 V.S.A. § 323 is amended to read:

10 § 323. TRANSFER FEES

11 A person who transfers the ownership of a registered motor vehicle to
12 another, upon the filing of a new application, and upon the payment of a fee of
13 ~~\$23.00~~ \$25.00 may have registered in his or her name another motor vehicle
14 for the remainder of the registration period without payment of any additional
15 registration fee, provided the proper registration fee of the motor vehicle
16 sought to be registered is the same as the registration fee of the transferred
17 motor vehicle. However, if the proper registration fee of the motor vehicle
18 sought to be registered by such person is greater than the registration fee of the
19 transferred motor vehicle, the applicant shall pay, in addition to such fee of
20 ~~\$23.00~~ \$25.00, the difference between the registration fee of the motor vehicle
21 previously registered and the proper fee for the registration of the motor
22 vehicle sought to be registered.

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1 **Sec. 56.** 23 V.S.A. § 361 is amended to read:

2 § 361. PLEASURE CARS

3 The annual fee for registration of any motor vehicle of the pleasure car type,
4 and all vehicles powered by electricity, shall be ~~\$69.00~~ \$73.00, and the
5 biennial fee shall be ~~\$127.00~~ \$134.00.

6 **Sec. 57.** 23 V.S.A. § 364 is amended to read:

7 § 364. MOTORCYCLES

8 The annual fee for registration of a motorcycle, with or without sidecar,
9 shall be ~~\$43.00~~ \$46.00.

10 **Sec. 58.** 23 V.S.A. § 364a is amended to read:

11 § 364a. MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLES: REGISTRATION; FINANCIAL
12 RESPONSIBILITY

13 (a) The annual fee for registration of a motor-driven cycle shall be ~~\$20.00~~
14 \$28.00.

15 (b) Motor-driven cycle operators shall be subject to the provisions of
16 section 801 of this title, which requires, in certain cases, that proof of financial
17 responsibility be filed with the Commissioner after an accident.

18 **Sec. 59.** 23 V.S.A. § 364b is amended to read:

19 § 364b. ALL-SURFACE VEHICLES; REGISTRATION

20 (a) The annual fee for registration of an all-surface vehicle (ASV) shall be
21 the sum of the fees established by sections 3305 and 3504 of this title, plus
22 ~~\$25.00~~ \$26.00.

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1 (b) Evidence of the registration shall be a sticker, as determined by the
2 Commissioner, affixed to the plate issued pursuant to chapter 31 of this title.

3 **Sec. 60.** 23 V.S.A. § 367 is amended to read:

4 § 367. TRUCKS

5 (a)(1) The annual fee for registration of tractors, truck-tractors, or motor
6 trucks except truck cranes, truck shovels, road oilers, bituminous distributors,
7 and farm trucks used as hereinafter specified shall be based on the total weight
8 of the truck-tractor or motor truck including body and cab plus the heaviest
9 load to be carried. In computing the fees for registration of tractors,
10 truck-tractors, or motor trucks with trailers or semi-trailers attached, except
11 trailers or semi-trailers with a gross weight of less than 6,000 pounds, the fee
12 shall be based upon the weight of the tractor, truck-tractor or motor truck, the
13 weight of the trailer or semi-trailer, and the weight of the heaviest load to be
14 carried by the combined vehicles. In addition to the fee set out in the
15 following schedule, the fee for vehicles weighing between 10,000 and 25,999
16 pounds inclusive shall be an additional ~~\$33.55~~ \$35.50, the fee for vehicles
17 weighing between 26,000 and 39,999 pounds inclusive shall be an additional
18 ~~\$67.09~~ \$70.98, the fee for vehicles weighing between 40,000 and 59,999
19 pounds inclusive shall be an additional ~~\$234.86~~ \$248.48 and the fee for
20 vehicles 60,000 pounds and over shall be an additional ~~\$369.07~~ \$390.48. The
21 fee shall be computed at the following rates per 1,000 pounds of weight
22 determined as above specified and rounded up to the nearest whole dollar, the

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1 minimum fee for registering a tractor, truck-tractor, or motor truck to 6,000
2 pounds shall be the same as for the pleasure car type:

3 ~~\$14.37~~ \$15.20 when the weight exceeds 6,000 pounds but does not
4 exceed 8,000 pounds.

5 ~~\$16.44~~ \$17.39 when the weight exceeds 8,000 pounds but does not
6 exceed 12,000 pounds.

7 ~~\$18.12~~ \$19.17 when the weight exceeds 12,000 pounds but does not
8 exceed 16,000 pounds.

9 ~~\$19.38~~ \$20.50 when the weight exceeds 16,000 pounds but does not
10 exceed 20,000 pounds.

11 ~~\$20.28~~ \$21.46 when the weight exceeds 20,000 pounds but does not
12 exceed 30,000 pounds.

13 ~~\$20.72~~ \$21.92 when the weight exceeds 30,000 pounds but does not
14 exceed 40,000 pounds.

15 ~~\$21.22~~ \$22.45 when the weight exceeds 40,000 pounds but does not
16 exceed 50,000 pounds.

17 ~~\$21.41~~ \$22.65 when the weight exceeds 50,000 pounds but does not
18 exceed 60,000 pounds.

19 ~~\$22.14~~ \$23.42 when the weight exceeds 60,000 pounds but does not
20 exceed 70,000 pounds.

21 ~~\$22.88~~ \$24.21 when the weight exceeds 70,000 pounds but does not
22 exceed 80,000 pounds.

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1 section 376 of this title. In the event a bus registered for local transit or public
2 transportation service is thereafter registered for general use during the same
3 registration year, such fee shall be applied towards the fee for general
4 registration.

5 (b) ~~For the purposes of~~ As used in this section, a public transportation
6 service bus is a bus used by a nonprofit public transit system as defined in
7 24 V.S.A. § 5088(3), and a local transit bus is a motor bus used entirely within
8 or not more than 10 miles beyond the boundaries of a city or town.

9 **Sec. 64.** 23 V.S.A. § 373 is amended to read:

10 § 373. EXHIBITION VEHICLES; YEAR OF MANUFACTURE PLATES

11 (a) The annual fee for the registration of a motor vehicle which is
12 maintained solely for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades, and other
13 functions of public interest and which is not used for the transportation of
14 passengers or property on any highway, except to attend such functions, shall
15 be ~~\$15.00~~ \$21.00, in lieu of fees otherwise provided by law.

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17 **Sec. 65.** 23 V.S.A. § 376 is amended to read:

18 § 376. STATE, MUNICIPAL, FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND RESCUE

19 ORGANIZATION MOTOR VEHICLES

20 (a) A fee shall not be charged for registration of motor vehicles owned by
21 the State.

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1 (b) The fee for registration of a motor vehicle owned by any municipality
2 in this State and used entirely by it or any other municipality for municipal
3 purposes shall be ~~\$10.00~~ \$12.00 in lieu of fees otherwise specified in this
4 chapter. ~~For purposes of~~ As used in this subsection, the term municipality
5 shall include ~~county-owned~~ county-owned vehicles. The Commissioner shall
6 issue specially designed registration plates for county-owned sheriffs'
7 departments' vehicles.

8 (c) The registration fee for registration of a motor truck, trailer, ambulance,
9 or other motor vehicle, owned by a volunteer fire department or other
10 volunteer fire-fighting organization or other organization conducting rescue
11 operations and used solely for fire-fighting or rescue purposes, shall be ~~\$10.00~~
12 \$12.00 in lieu of fees otherwise specified in this chapter. A motor vehicle or
13 trailer registered under this section shall be plainly marked on both sides of the
14 body or cab to indicate its ownership.

15 (d) The use of a school bus owned by a municipality in this State, whether
16 or not that use is compensated shall be considered a municipal purpose within
17 the meaning of this section.

18 (e) [Repealed.]

19 (f) A replacement registration plate shall be provided by the Commissioner
20 upon the payment of a fee of ~~\$7.00~~ \$9.00.

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22 **Sec. 66.** 23 V.S.A. § 382 is amended to read:

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1 § 382. DIESEL-POWERED PLEASURE CARS

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the annual registration fee for a
3 pleasure car or tractor, truck-tractor, or motor truck up to 6,000 pounds
4 powered by fuel as defined in section 3002 of this title shall be ~~\$26.00~~ \$38.00
5 and the biennial fee shall be ~~\$48.00~~ \$70.00.

6 **Sec. 67.** 23 V.S.A. § 453 is amended to read:

7 § 453. FEES AND NUMBER PLATES

8 (a)(1) An application for registration as a dealer in new or used cars or
9 motor trucks shall be accompanied by a fee of ~~\$370.00~~ \$503.00 for each
10 certificate issued in such dealer's name. The Commissioner shall furnish free
11 of charge with each dealer's registration certificate three number plates
12 showing the distinguishing number assigned such dealer. The Commissioner
13 may furnish additional plates according to the volume of the dealer's sales in
14 the prior year or, in the case of an initial registration, according to the dealer's
15 reasonable estimate of expected sales, as follows:

- 16 (A) under 20 sales: 0 additional plates;
17 (B) 20-49 sales: 1 additional plate;
18 (C) 50-99 sales: up to 5 additional plates;
19 (D) 100-249 sales: up to 12 additional plates;
20 (E) 250-499 sales: up to 17 additional plates;
21 (F) 500-749 sales: up to 27 additional plates;
22 (G) 750-999 sales: up to 37 additional plates;

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1 (H) 1,000-1,499 sales: up to 47 additional plates;

2 (I) 1,500 or more: up to 57 additional plates.

3 (2) If the issuance of additional plates is authorized under subdivision
4 (1) of this subsection, up to two plates shall be provided free of charge, and the
5 Commissioner shall collect ~~\$40.00~~ \$55.00 for each additional plate thereafter.

6 (b) Application by a “dealer in farm tractors or other self-propelled farm
7 implements,” which shall mean a person actively engaged in the business of
8 selling or exchanging new or used farm tractors or other self-propelled farm
9 implements, for such dealer registration shall annually be accompanied by a
10 fee of ~~\$40.00~~ \$78.00. The Commissioner shall furnish free of charge with each
11 such dealer registration certificate two sets of number plates showing the
12 distinguishing number assigned such dealer and in his or her discretion may
13 furnish further sets of plates at a fee of \$12.00 per set; such number plates may,
14 however, only be displayed upon a farm tractor or other self-propelled farm
15 implement.

16 (c) Application by a “dealer in motorized highway building equipment and
17 road making appliances,” which shall mean a person actively engaged in the
18 business of selling or exchanging new or used motorized highway building
19 equipment or road making appliances, for such dealer registration shall
20 annually be accompanied by a fee of ~~\$90.00~~ \$123.00. The Commissioner shall
21 furnish free of charge with each such dealer registration certificate two sets of
22 number plates showing the distinguishing number assigned such dealer and in

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1 his or her discretion may furnish further sets of plates at a fee of \$30.00 per set;
2 such number plates may, however, only be displayed upon motorized highway
3 building equipment or road making appliances.

4 (d) If a dealer is engaged only in the business of selling or exchanging
5 motorcycles or motor-driven cycles, the registration fee shall be ~~\$45.00~~
6 \$62.00, which shall include three number plates. The Commissioner may, in
7 his or her discretion, furnish further sets of plates at a fee of \$10.00 for
8 each set.

9 (e) If a dealer is engaged only in the business of selling or exchanging
10 trailers, semi-trailers, or trailer coaches, the registration fee shall be ~~\$90.00~~
11 \$123.00 which shall include three number plates; such number plates may,
12 however, only be displayed upon a trailer, semi-trailer, or trailer coach. The
13 Commissioner may, in his or her discretion, furnish further plates at a fee of
14 \$10.00 for each such plate.

15 * * *

16 **Sec. 68.** 23 V.S.A. § 457 is amended to read:

17 § 457. TEMPORARY PLATES

18 At the time of the issuance of a registration certificate to a dealer as
19 provided in this chapter, the Commissioner shall furnish the dealer with a
20 sufficient number of number plates and temporary validation stickers,
21 temporary number plates, or temporary decals for use during the 60-day period
22 immediately following sale of a vehicle or motorboat by the dealer. The plates

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1 and decals shall have the same general design as the plates or decals furnished
2 individual owners, but the plates and decals may be of a material and color as
3 the Commissioner may determine. The Commissioner shall collect a fee of
4 ~~\$3.00~~ \$5.00 for each temporary plate issued.

5 **Sec. 69.** 23 V.S.A. § 463 is amended to read:

6 § 463. SALE OF VEHICLE TO GO OUT OF STATE

7 A registered motor vehicle dealer is authorized to issue an in-transit
8 registration permit for the purpose of movement over the highways of certain
9 motor vehicles otherwise required to be registered when these vehicles are sold
10 in this State to be transported to and registered in another state or province.

11 The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall, upon request, provide registered
12 motor vehicle dealers with such numbers of applications and special in-transit
13 number plates for vehicles sold in this State to be transported to and registered
14 in another state or province as shall be necessary. The Commissioner is
15 authorized to charge a fee of ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 for the processing of the plate
16 application and the issuance of the plate. The dealer, upon the sale of a motor
17 vehicle to be transported to and registered in another state or province shall
18 cause the application to be filled out and transmitted to the Commissioner and
19 shall attach to the vehicle the in-transit number plate corresponding to the
20 application. No registered motor vehicle dealer shall sell, exchange, give, or
21 transfer any application or in-transit plate to any person other than the person
22 to whom the dealer sells or exchanges a motor vehicle to be registered in

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1 another state or province. The application shall be in a form prescribed and
2 furnished by the Commissioner. The special in-transit number plate to be
3 attached to the vehicle will be issued in the form and design as prescribed by
4 the Commissioner and shall be valid for a period of 30 days from the date of
5 issue.

6 **Sec. 70.** 23 V.S.A. § 476 is amended to read:

7 § 476. MOTOR VEHICLE WARRANTY FEE

8 A motor vehicle warranty fee of ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 is imposed on the registration
9 of each new motor vehicle in this State not including trailers, tractors,
10 motorized highway building equipment, road-making appliances,
11 snowmobiles, motorcycles, motor-driven cycles, or trucks with a gross vehicle
12 weight over 12,000 pounds.

13 **Sec. 71.** 23 V.S.A. § 494 is amended to read:

14 § 494. FEES

15 The annual fee for a transporter's registration certificate, number plate, or
16 validation sticker is ~~\$90.00~~ \$123.00.

17 **Sec. 72.** 23 V.S.A. § 514 is amended to read:

18 § 514. REPLACEMENT NUMBER PLATES

19 (a) In case of the loss of a number plate, the owner of the motor vehicle to
20 which it was assigned shall forthwith notify the Commissioner of Motor
21 Vehicles of such loss, and he or she shall furnish such owner with a new plate.
22 The fees charged shall be ~~\$10.00~~ \$12.00 for each plate. The owner of a motor

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1 vehicle who has lost one number plate may operate his or her vehicle with one
2 number plate attached thereto, until a new plate is furnished him or her,
3 provided he or she has notified the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as
4 required in this section.

5 (b) Any replacement number plate shall be issued at a fee of ~~\$10.00~~ \$12.00.
6 However, if the Commissioner, in his or her discretion, determines that a plate
7 has become illegible as a result of deficiencies in the manufacturing process or
8 by use of faulty materials, the replacement fee shall be waived.

9 **Sec. 73.** 23 VSA § 516 is amended to read:

10 § 516. SALE OF VEHICLE TO GO OUT OF STATE BY A PERSON

11 OTHER THAN DEALER

12 The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is authorized to issue an in-transit
13 registration permit for the purpose of movement over the highways of certain
14 motor vehicles otherwise required to be registered when the vehicles are sold
15 in this State by a person, other than a registered motor vehicle dealer, to be
16 transported to and registered in another state or province. The registration may
17 be obtained by submitting an application on a form prescribed and furnished
18 by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. The Commissioner is authorized to
19 charge a fee of ~~\$3.00~~ \$6.00 for the processing of the application and the
20 issuance of the plate. The in-transit registration plate pursuant to this section
21 shall be valid for a period of 30 days from issuance and shall be in the form
22 and design prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. Issuance of an

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1 in-transit plate for vehicles sold by a registered motor vehicle dealer to a
2 person to be transported to and registered in another state or province shall be
3 governed by the provisions of section 463 of this title.

4 **Sec. 74.** 23 V.S.A. § 517 is added to read:

5 § 517. INTRASTATE IN-TRANSIT PERMIT

6 The Commissioner may issue an intrastate in-transit registration permit to
7 authorize the movement within Vermont of a motor vehicle otherwise required
8 to be registered, if the vehicle is sold in this State by a person other than a
9 registered motor vehicle dealer. The permit may be obtained after submission
10 of an application on a form prescribed and furnished by the Commissioner and
11 payment of a \$25.00 fee. The permit shall be valid for a period of 10 days
12 from the date of issuance and shall be in the form and design prescribed by the
13 Commissioner.

14 **Sec. 75.** 23 V.S.A. § 608 is amended to read:

15 § 608. FEES

16 (a) The four-year fee required to be paid the Commissioner for licensing an
17 operator of motor vehicles or for issuing an operator's privilege card shall be
18 ~~\$48.00~~ \$51.00. The two-year fee required to be paid the Commissioner for
19 licensing an operator or for issuing an operator's privilege card shall be ~~\$30.00~~
20 \$32.00 and the two-year fee for licensing a junior operator or for issuing a
21 junior operator's privilege card shall be ~~\$30.00~~ \$32.00.

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1 (b) An additional fee of ~~\$2.00~~ \$3.00 per year shall be paid for a motorcycle
2 endorsement. The endorsement may be obtained for either a two-year or
3 four-year period, to be coincidental with the length of the operator's license.

4 **Sec. 76.** 23 V.S.A. § 613 is amended to read:

5 § 613. DUPLICATE LICENSE

6 (a) In case of the loss, mutilation, or destruction of a license, the licensee
7 shall forthwith notify the Commissioner who shall furnish such licensee with a
8 duplicate on receipt of ~~\$15.00~~ \$20.00. A corrected license shall be furnished
9 by the Commissioner upon request and receipt of a fee of ~~\$15.00~~ \$20.00.

10 (b) A duplicate license shall not be issued to any person who has
11 surrendered his or her license to another jurisdiction in connection with
12 obtaining a license in that jurisdiction.

13 **Sec. 77.** 23 V.S.A. § 617 is amended to read:

14 § 617. LEARNER'S PERMIT

15 * * *

16 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, any
17 licensed person may apply to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for a
18 learner's permit for the operation of a motorcycle in the form prescribed by the
19 Commissioner. The Commissioner shall require payment of a fee of ~~\$17.00~~
20 \$20.00 at the time application is made. After the applicant has successfully
21 passed all parts of the motorcycle endorsement examination, other than a skill
22 test, the Commissioner may issue to the applicant a learner's permit which

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1 entitles the applicant, subject to subsection 615(a) of this title, to operate a
2 motorcycle upon the public highways for a period of 120 days from the date of
3 issuance. A motorcycle learner's permit may be renewed only twice upon
4 payment of a ~~\$17.00~~ \$20.00 fee. If during the original permit period and two
5 renewals, the permittee has not successfully passed the skill test or the
6 motorcycle rider training course, he or she may not obtain another motorcycle
7 learner's permit for a period of 12 months from the expiration of the permit
8 unless he or she has successfully completed the motorcycle rider training
9 course. This section shall not affect section 602 of this title. The fee for the
10 examination shall be ~~\$7.00~~ \$9.00.

11 (c) No learner's permit may be issued to any person under ~~the age of~~ 18
12 years of age unless the parent or guardian of, or a person standing in loco
13 parentis to, the applicant files his or her written consent to the issuance with
14 the Commissioner.

15 (d) An applicant shall pay ~~\$17.00~~ \$20.00 to the Commissioner for each
16 learner's permit ~~that is not a motorcycle learner's permit~~ or a duplicate or
17 renewal thereof.

18 * * *

19 **Sec. 78.** 23 V.S.A. § 634 is amended to read:

20 § 634. FEE FOR EXAMINATION

21 (a) The fee for an examination for a learner's permit shall be ~~\$30.00~~
22 \$32.00. The fee for an examination to obtain an operator's license when the

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1 applicant is required to pass an examination pursuant to section 632 of this title
2 shall be ~~\$18.00~~ \$19.00. The fee for a motorcycle skill test to obtain a
3 motorcycle endorsement shall be ~~\$18.00~~ \$19.00.

4 (b) A scheduling fee of \$24.00 shall be paid by the applicant before he or
5 she may schedule the road test required under section 632 of this title. Unless
6 an applicant gives the Department at least 48 hours' notice of cancellation, if
7 the applicant does not appear as scheduled, the \$24.00 scheduling fee is
8 forfeited. If the applicant appears for the scheduled road test, the fee shall be
9 applied toward the license examination fee. The Commissioner may waive the
10 scheduling fee until the Department is capable of administering the fee
11 electronically.

12 ~~(b)~~(c) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall not implement any
13 procedures or processes for identifying applicants for licenses, learner permits,
14 or nondriver identification cards that involve the use of biometric identifiers.
15 Pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. § 31308, this subsection shall not apply
16 to applicants for commercial driver licenses or endorsements on these licenses.

17 **Sec. 79.** 23 V.S.A. § 675 is amended to read:

18 § 675. FEE PRIOR TO TERMINATION OR REINSTATEMENT OF
19 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE

20 (a) Before a suspension or revocation issued by the Commissioner of a
21 person's operator's license or privilege of operating a motor vehicle may be
22 terminated or before a person's operator's license or privilege of operating a

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1 motor vehicle may be reinstated, there shall be paid to the Commissioner a fee
2 of ~~\$71.00~~ \$80.00 in addition to any other fee required by statute. This section
3 shall not apply to suspensions issued under the provisions of chapter 11 of this
4 title nor suspensions issued for physical disabilities or failing to pass
5 reexamination. The Commissioner shall not reinstate the license of a driver
6 whose license was suspended pursuant to section 1205 of this title until the
7 Commissioner receives certification from the court that the costs due the State
8 have been paid.

9 * * *

10 **Sec. 80.** 23 V.S.A. § 702 is amended to read:

11 § 702. TRAINING SCHOOL AND INSTRUCTOR'S LICENSES

12 No person shall operate a driver training school or act as an instructor
13 unless a license therefor has been secured from the Commissioner.

14 Applications for such licenses may be filed with the Commissioner and shall
15 contain such information and shall be on such forms as the Commissioner may
16 prescribe. Each application for a driver's training school license shall be
17 accompanied by an application fee of ~~\$100.00~~ \$150.00, which shall not be
18 refunded. If such application is approved by the Commissioner, the applicant
19 upon payment of an additional fee of ~~\$150.00~~ \$225.00 shall be granted a
20 license which shall become void two years from the first day of the month of
21 issue unless sooner revoked as herein provided. The renewal fee shall be
22 ~~\$150.00~~ \$225.00. Each application for an instructor's license shall be

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1 accompanied by an application fee of ~~\$70.00~~ \$105.00, which shall not be
2 refunded. If such application is approved by the Commissioner, the applicant
3 upon payment of an additional fee of ~~\$50.00~~ \$75.00 shall be granted a license
4 which shall become void two years from the first day of the month of issue
5 unless sooner revoked as herein provided. The renewal fee shall be ~~\$50.00~~
6 \$75.00.

7 **Sec. 81.** 23 V.S.A. § 703 is amended to read:

8 § 703. POSSESSION OF LICENSE

9 Each person granted a driver's training school license shall display the same
10 conspicuously on the school premises. Each person granted an instructor's
11 license shall carry the same in his or her possession while engaged in giving
12 driver training. In case of loss, mutilation, or destruction of a license
13 certificate, the Commissioner shall issue a duplicate certificate upon payment
14 of a fee of ~~\$5.00~~ \$8.00.

15 **Sec. 82.** 23 V.S.A. § 1230 is amended to read:

16 § 1230. CHARGE

17 For each inspection certificate issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles,
18 the Commissioner shall be paid ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00, provided that State and municipal
19 inspection stations that inspect only State or municipally owned and registered
20 vehicles shall not be required to pay a fee. All vehicle inspection certificate
21 charge revenue shall be allocated to the Transportation Fund with one-half
22 reserved for bridge maintenance activities.

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1 **Sec. 83.** 23 V.S.A. § 1392 is amended to read:

2 § 1392. GROSS WEIGHT LIMITS ON HIGHWAYS

3 Except as provided in section 1400 of this title, a person or corporation shall
4 not operate or cause to be operated a motor vehicle in excess of the total
5 weight, including vehicle, object, or contrivance and load, of:

6 * * *

7 (13) Despite the axle-load provisions of section 1391 of this title and the
8 maximum gross load of subdivision (4) of this section, a special annual permit,
9 which shall expire coincidentally with the vehicle's registration, except for
10 vehicles not registered in Vermont in which case the permit shall become void
11 on January 1 following date of issue, may be issued to a person or corporation
12 operating on designated routes on the State Highway System for a fee of
13 ~~\$310.00~~ \$415.00 for each vehicle which must be registered for a weight of
14 80,000 pounds. This special permit shall be issued only for a combination of
15 vehicle and semi-trailer or trailer equipped with five or more axles, with a
16 distance between axles which meets the minimum requirements of registering
17 the vehicle to 80,000 pounds as allowed under subdivision (4) of this section.
18 The maximum gross load under this special permit shall be 90,000 pounds.
19 Unless authorized by federal law, this subdivision shall not apply to operation
20 on the Interstate and Defense Highway System.

21 (14) Despite the axle-load provisions of section 1391 of this title and the
22 axle spacing and the maximum gross load of subdivision (4) of this section, a

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1 special annual permit, which shall expire coincidentally with the vehicle's
2 registration, except for vehicles not registered in Vermont in which case the
3 permit shall become void on January 1 following date of issue, may be issued
4 to a person or corporation transporting loads on vehicles on designated routes
5 on the State Highway System for the following fees for each vehicle unit.

6 Unless authorized by federal law, the provisions of this subdivision regarding
7 weight limits, tolerances, or both shall not apply to operation on the Interstate
8 and Defense Highway System. This special permit shall be issued for the
9 following vehicles and conditions:

10 (A) 3-axle trucks with a single steering axle and a rear tandem axle
11 which have a maximum gross weight of not more than 60,000 pounds when
12 registered for a minimum gross weight of not more than 55,000 pounds, the
13 permit fee shall be ~~\$115.00~~ \$156.00.

14 (B) 4-axle trucks with a single steering axle and a rear tri-axle unit
15 which have a maximum gross weight of not more than 69,000 pounds when
16 registered for a minimum weight of 60,000 pounds, the permit fee shall be
17 ~~\$260.00~~ \$352.00.

18 (C) 4-axle tractor semi-trailer or truck trailer combination with a
19 maximum gross weight of not more than 72,000 pounds, provided the distance
20 between the second axle of the tractor and the rear axle of the trailer is at least
21 24 feet measured to the nearest foot. For each foot or fraction of a foot less

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1 than 24 feet, measured to the nearest foot, a reduction of 2,000 pounds in the
2 maximum gross weight shall be made. The permit fee shall be ~~\$10.00~~ \$13.00.

3 (D) 5- or more axle tractor semi-trailer or truck trailer combination
4 with a maximum gross weight of not more than 76,000 pounds, provided that
5 the distance between the first and last axle of two consecutive sets of tandem
6 axles is at least 24 feet measured to the nearest foot. For each foot or fraction
7 of a foot less than 24 feet, measured to the nearest foot, a reduction of 2,000
8 pounds in the maximum gross weight shall be made. The permit fee shall be
9 ~~\$10.00~~ \$13.00.

10 * * *

11 (16) Notwithstanding the axle load provisions of section 1391 of this
12 title and the maximum gross load of subdivision (4) of this section, a five or
13 more axle truck tractor, semi-trailer combination, or truck trailer combination,
14 when the load consists solely of unprocessed milk products as defined in
15 subdivision 4(55) of this title, may be registered for and operated with a
16 maximum gross weight of 90,000 pounds on State highways without permit,
17 and upon posted State and town highways and on those highways designated
18 as the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways when the vehicle
19 has been issued a permit in compliance with the provisions of section 1400 of
20 this title; however:

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1 the office of the Commissioner or in a location approved by the Commissioner.
2 Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a copy shall also be
3 available in the towing vehicle and must be available for inspection on demand
4 of a law enforcement officer. Before operating a traction engine, tractor,
5 trailer, motor truck, or other motor vehicle, the person to whom a permit to
6 operate in excess of the weight, width, indivisible overlength, and height limits
7 established by this title is granted shall pay a fee of ~~\$35.00~~ \$40.00 for each
8 single trip permit or ~~\$100.00~~ \$112.00 for a blanket permit, except that the fee
9 for a fleet blanket permit shall be ~~\$100.00~~ \$112.00 for the first unit and ~~\$5.00~~
10 \$6.00 for each unit thereafter. At the option of a carrier, an annual permit for
11 the entire fleet, to operate over any approved route, may be obtained for
12 ~~\$100.00~~ \$112.00 for the first tractor and ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 for each additional
13 tractor, up to a maximum fee of \$1,000.00. The fee for a fleet permit shall be
14 based on the entire number of tractors owned by the applicant. An applicant
15 for a fleet permit may apply for any number of specific routes, each of which
16 shall be reviewed with regard to the characteristics of the route and the type of
17 equipment operated by the applicant. When the weight or size of the vehicle-
18 load are considered sufficiently excessive for the routing requested, the
19 Agency of Transportation shall, on request of the Commissioner, conduct an
20 engineering inspection of the vehicle-load and route, for which a fee of
21 \$300.00 will be added to the cost of the permit if the load is a manufactured
22 home. For all other loads of any size or with gross weight limits less than

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1 150,000 pounds, the fee shall be \$800.00 for any engineering inspection that
2 requires up to eight hours to conduct. If the inspection requires more than
3 eight hours to conduct, the fee shall be \$800.00 plus \$60.00 per hour for each
4 additional hour required. If the vehicle and load weigh 150,000 pounds or
5 more but not more than 200,000 pounds, the engineering inspection fee shall
6 be \$2,000.00. If the vehicle and load weigh more than 200,000 pounds but not
7 more than 250,000 pounds, the engineering inspection fee shall be \$5,000.00.
8 If the vehicle and load weigh more than 250,000 pounds, the engineering
9 inspection fee shall be \$10,000.00. The study must be completed prior to the
10 permit being issued. Prior to the issuance of a permit, an applicant whose
11 vehicle weighs 150,000 pounds or more, or is 15 or more feet in width or
12 height, shall file with the Commissioner a special certificate of insurance
13 showing minimum coverage of \$250,000.00 for death or injury to one person,
14 \$500,000.00 for death or injury to two or more persons, and \$250,000.00 for
15 property damage, all arising out of any one crash.

16 (b) Overlength permits. Except as provided in subsections 1432(c) and (e)
17 of this title, it shall be necessary to obtain an overlength permit as follows:

18 (1) For vehicles with a trailer or semitrailer longer than 75 feet,
19 anywhere in the State on highways approved by the Agency of Transportation.
20 In such cases, the vehicle may be operated with a single trip overlength permit
21 issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles for a fee of ~~\$25.00~~ \$28.00. If the
22 vehicle is 100 feet or more in length, the permit applicant shall file with the

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1 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, a special certificate of insurance showing
2 minimum coverage of \$250,000.00 for death or injury to one person,
3 \$500,000.00 for death or injury to two or more persons, and \$250,000.00 for
4 property damage, all arising out of any one crash.

5 * * *

6 **Sec. 85.** 23 V.S.A. § 2002(a) is amended to read:

7 (a) The Commissioner shall be paid the following fees:

8 (1) for any certificate of title, including a salvage certificate of title, or
9 an exempt vehicle title, ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00;

10 (2) for each security interest noted upon a certificate of title, including a
11 salvage certificate of title, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

12 (3) for a certificate of title after a transfer, ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00;

13 (4) for each assignment of a security interest noted upon a certificate of
14 title, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

15 (5) for a duplicate certificate of title, including a salvage certificate of
16 title, ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00;

17 (6) for an ordinary certificate of title issued upon surrender of a
18 distinctive certificate, ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00;

19 (7) for filing a notice of security interest, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

20 (8) for a certificate of search of the records of the Department of Motor
21 Vehicles, for each motor vehicle searched against, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

22 (9) for filing an assignment of a security interest, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

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1 (10) for a certificate of title after a security interest has been released,
2 ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00;

3 (11) for a certificate of title for a motor vehicle granted a veteran by the
4 Veterans' Administration and exempt from registration fees pursuant to section
5 378 of this title, no fee;

6 (12) for a corrected certificate of title, ~~\$33.00~~ \$35.00.

7 **Sec. 86.** 23 V.S.A. § 2023(e) is amended to read:

8 (e) Notwithstanding other provisions of the law, whenever the estate of an
9 individual who dies intestate consists principally of an automobile, the
10 surviving spouse shall be deemed to be the owner of the motor vehicle and title
11 to the same shall automatically and by virtue hereof pass to the surviving
12 spouse. Registration and titling of the vehicle in the name of the surviving
13 spouse shall be effected by payment of a transfer fee of ~~\$7.00~~ \$8.00. This
14 transaction is exempt from the provisions of the purchase and use tax on motor
15 vehicles.

16 (1) Notwithstanding other provisions of the law, and except as provided
17 in subdivision (2) of this subsection, whenever the estate of an individual
18 consists in whole or in part of a motor vehicle, and the person's will or other
19 testamentary document does not specifically address disposition of motor
20 vehicles, the surviving spouse shall be deemed to be the owner of the motor
21 vehicle and title to the motor vehicle shall automatically pass to the surviving
22 spouse. Registration and titling of the motor vehicle in the name of the

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1 surviving spouse shall be effected by payment of a transfer fee of ~~\$7.00~~ \$8.00.
2 This transaction is exempt from the provisions of the purchase and use tax on
3 motor vehicles.

4 (2) This subsection shall apply to no more than two motor vehicles, and
5 shall not apply if the motor vehicle is titled in the name of one or more persons
6 other than the decedent and the surviving spouse.

7 **Sec. 87.** 23 V.S.A. § 3203 is amended to read:

8 § 3203. TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION

9 The registration of a snowmobile ends when the owner transfers title to
10 another. The former owner shall immediately return to the Commissioner the
11 registration certificate previously assigned to the transferred snowmobile with
12 the date of sale, name, and residence of the new owner endorsed on the back
13 thereof. When a person transfers the ownership of a registered snowmobile to
14 another, files a new application, and pays a fee of ~~\$2.00~~ \$3.00, he or she may
15 have registered in his or her name another snowmobile for the remainder of the
16 registration year without payment of any additional registration fee.

17 **Sec. 88.** 23 V.S.A. § 3204 is amended to read:

18 § 3204. REGISTRATION FEES AND DEALER PLATES

19 (a) Fees. Annual registration fees for snowmobiles other than as provided
20 for in subsection (b) of this section are ~~\$25.00~~ \$28.00 for residents and ~~\$32.00~~
21 \$36.00 for nonresidents. Duplicate registration certificates may be obtained
22 upon payment of ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00.

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1 (b)(1) Dealer registration and plates; manufacturer plates; fees. A person
2 engaged in the business of selling or exchanging snowmobiles as defined in
3 subdivision 4(8) of this title shall register as a dealer and obtain registration
4 certificates and identifying number plates, subject to such rules as may be
5 adopted by the Commissioner and to the requirements of chapter 7 this title. A
6 manufacturer of snowmobiles may register and obtain registration certificates
7 and identifying number plates under this section. Plates shall be valid for the
8 following purposes only: testing; adjusting; demonstrating; temporary use of
9 customers for a period not to exceed 14 days; private business or pleasure use
10 of such person or members of his or her immediate family; and use at fairs,
11 shows, or races when no charge is made for such use.

12 (2) Fees. Fees for dealer registration certificates shall be \$40.00 for the
13 first certificate issued to any person and ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 for any additional
14 certificate issued to the same person within the current registration period.
15 Fees for temporary number plates shall be \$3.00 for each plate issued.

16 (c) Temporary registration pending issuance of permanent registration.
17 The Commissioner, by rules adopted pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25, shall
18 provide for the issuance of temporary registrations of snowmobiles pending
19 issuance of the permanent registration. VAST shall be an agent of the
20 Commissioner for the issuance of such temporary registrations. The fees for
21 the temporary registrations shall be ~~\$25.00~~ \$28.00 for residents and ~~\$32.00~~
22 \$36.00 for nonresidents and shall also constitute payment of the registration

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1 fee required by subsection (a) of this section. VAST shall promptly remit any
2 fees collected to the Commissioner in accordance with rules adopted under this
3 subsection. Temporary registrations shall be kept with the snowmobile while
4 being operated and shall authorize operation without the registration decal
5 being affixed for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of issue.

6 * * *

7 **Sec. 89.** 23 V.S.A. § 3204a is amended to read:

8 § 3204a. ANTIQUE SNOWMOBILES

9 (a) The one-time registration fee for a snowmobile that is at least 25 years
10 old and is used exclusively in exhibitions, parades, and public functions shall
11 be ~~\$42.00~~ \$50.00. The registration process for snowmobiles registered under
12 this section shall be the same as provided in section 3204 of this title.

13 * * *

14 **Sec. 90.** 23 V.S.A. § 3305 is amended to read:

15 § 3305. FEES

16 (a) A person shall not operate a motorboat on the public waters of this State
17 unless the motorboat is registered in accordance with this chapter.

18 (b) Annually or biennially, the owner of each motorboat required to be
19 registered by this State shall file an application for a number with the
20 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles on forms approved by him or her. The
21 application shall be signed by the owner of the motorboat and shall be
22 accompanied by an annual fee of ~~\$22.00 and a surcharge of \$5.00~~ \$31.00, or a

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1 biennial fee of ~~\$39.00 and a surcharge of \$10.00~~ \$57.00, for a motorboat in
2 class A; by an annual fee of ~~\$33.00 and a surcharge of \$10.00~~ \$49.00, or a
3 biennial fee of ~~\$61.00 and a surcharge of \$20.00~~ \$93.00, for a motorboat in
4 class 1; by an annual fee of ~~\$60.00 and a surcharge of \$10.00~~ \$80.00, or a
5 biennial fee of ~~\$115.00 and a surcharge of \$20.00~~ \$155.00, for a motorboat in
6 class 2; by an annual fee of ~~\$126.00 and a surcharge of \$10.00~~ \$153.00, or a
7 biennial fee of ~~\$247.00 and a surcharge of \$20.00~~ \$303.00, for a motorboat in
8 class 3. Upon receipt of the application in approved form, the Commissioner
9 shall enter the application upon the records of the Department of Motor
10 Vehicles and issue to the applicant a registration certificate stating the number
11 awarded to the motorboat and the name and address of the owner. The owner
12 shall paint on or attach to each side of the bow of the motorboat the
13 identification number in such manner as may be prescribed by rules of the
14 Commissioner in order that it may be clearly visible. The registration shall be
15 void one year from the first day of the month following the month of issue in
16 the case of annual registrations, or void two years from the first day of the
17 month following the month of issue in the case of biennial registrations. A
18 vessel of less than 10 horsepower used as a tender to a registered vessel shall
19 be deemed registered, at no additional cost, and shall have painted or attached
20 to both sides of the bow, the same registration number as the registered vessel
21 with the number “1” after the number. The number shall be maintained in
22 legible condition. The registration certificate shall be pocket size and shall be

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1 available at all times for inspection on the motorboat for which issued,
2 whenever the motorboat is in operation. A duplicate registration may be
3 obtained upon payment of a fee of ~~\$2.00~~ \$3.00 to the Commissioner.
4 Notwithstanding section 3319 of this chapter, ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 of each registration
5 fee shall be allocated to the Transportation Fund. The remainder of the fee
6 shall be allocated in accordance with section 3319 of this title.

7 (c) A person engaged in the business of selling or exchanging
8 motorboats as defined in subdivision 4(8) of this title, of a type otherwise
9 required to be registered by this subchapter shall register and obtain
10 registration certificates for use as described under subdivision (1) of this
11 subsection, subject to the requirements of chapter 7 of this title. A
12 manufacturer of motorboats may register and obtain registration certificates
13 under this section.

14 * * *

15 (3) An application for a dealer motorboat registration and registration
16 number shall be accompanied by the following fees:

17 (A) for the registration and first number applied for, ~~\$25.00 and a~~
18 ~~surcharge of \$5.00~~ \$42.00;

19 (B) for each additional number applied for in the current
20 registration period, ~~\$5.00 and a surcharge of \$5.00~~ \$12.00.

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1 application and pays a fee of ~~\$10.00~~ \$12.00, he or she may have registered in
2 his or her name another all-terrain vehicle for the remainder of the registration
3 year without payment of any additional registration fee.

4 **Sec. 92.** 23 V.S.A. § 3504 is amended to read:

5 § 3504. REGISTRATION FEES AND PLATES

6 (a) The registration fee for all-terrain vehicles other than as provided for in
7 subsection (b) of this section is \$35.00. Duplicate registration certificates may
8 be obtained upon payment of ~~\$5.00~~ \$6.00 to the Department.

9 (b) Any person engaged in the business of selling or exchanging all-terrain
10 vehicles, as defined in subdivision 4(8) of this title, shall register and obtain
11 registration certificates and identifying number plates subject to rules which
12 may be adopted by the Commissioner and to the requirements of chapter 7 of
13 this title. A manufacturer of all-terrain vehicles may register and obtain
14 registration certificates and identifying number plates under this section.

15 Plates shall be valid for the following purposes only: testing; adjusting;

16 demonstrating; temporary use of customers for a period not to exceed seven

17 days; private business or pleasure use of the person or members of his or her

18 immediate family; and use at fairs, shows, or races when no charge is made.

19 Fees for registration and registration certificates shall be ~~\$45.00~~ \$62.00 for the

20 first certificate issued to any person and \$5.00 for any additional certificate

21 issued to the same person within the current registration period. Fees for

22 temporary number plates shall be \$3.00 for each plate issued.

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1 **Sec. 93.** 23 V.S.A. § 3802 is amended to read:

2 § 3802. FEES

3 (a) The Commissioner shall be paid the following fees:

4 (1) for filing an application for a first certificate of title, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

5 (2) for each security interest noted upon a certificate of title, ~~\$10.00~~

6 \$11.00;

7 (3) for a certificate of title after a transfer, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

8 (4) for each assignment of a security interest noted upon a certificate of
9 title, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

10 (5) for a duplicate certificate of title, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

11 (6) for an ordinary certificate of title issued upon surrender of a
12 distinctive certificate, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

13 (7) for filing a notice of security interest, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

14 (8) for a certificate of search of the records of the Department of Motor
15 Vehicles for each vessel, snowmobile, or all-terrain vehicle searched against,
16 ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

17 (9) for filing an assignment of a security interest, ~~\$10.00~~ \$11.00;

18 (10) for a certificate of clear title after the security interest or interests
19 have been released, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00;

20 (11) for a corrected certificate of title, ~~\$20.00~~ \$22.00.

21 * * *

22 **Sec. 94.** 23 V.S.A. § 4108 is amended to read:

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1 § 4108. COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE, COMMERCIAL LEARNER’S
2 PERMIT QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

3 * * *

4 (b) The Commissioner shall not issue a commercial driver license or
5 commercial learner’s permit to any person:

6 (1)(A) Under ~~the age of 21 years~~ of age in the case of commercial driver
7 licenses, except that persons 18 years of age or older may obtain a commercial
8 driver license that restricts the driver to operation solely within this State.

9 (B) Under ~~the age of 18 years~~ of age in the case of commercial
10 learner’s permits.

11 * * *

12 (f) The fee for a knowledge test and ~~accompanying the fee for a skill test~~
13 shall each be ~~\$35.00 for the first test and \$30.00 for each subsequent test~~
14 \$32.00. The fee for an endorsement test shall be ~~\$13.00~~ \$14.00. In the event
15 that an applicant fails a test three times, he or she may not take the test again
16 for at least six months. A fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 shall be paid by the applicant
17 before he or she may schedule a skill test. If an applicant does not appear for
18 the scheduled skill test, the ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 scheduling fee is forfeited ~~and~~
19 ~~another \$20.00 scheduling fee must be paid before another skill test will be~~
20 ~~scheduled~~, unless the applicant has given the Department at least 48 hours’
21 notice of cancellation of the test. If the applicant ~~passes~~ appears for the skill
22 test, the ~~\$20.00~~ \$24.00 scheduling fee for that test will be used as part of the

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1 ~~license test~~ fee. ~~If the applicant appears for the scheduled skill test and fails~~
2 ~~the skill test, a subsequent skill test will be scheduled without an additional~~
3 ~~\$20.00 fee.~~ Use of an interpreter is prohibited during the administration of the
4 knowledge or skills tests.

5 **Sec. 95.** 23 V.S.A. § 4110 is amended to read:

6 § 4110. APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE OR
7 COMMERCIAL LEARNER'S PERMIT

8 (a) The application for a commercial driver license or commercial learner's
9 permit shall include the following:

10 * * *

11 (8) The proper fee.

12 (A) The four-year fee for a commercial driver license shall be ~~\$75.00~~
13 \$90.00. The two-year fee shall be ~~\$50.00~~ \$60.00. In those instances where the
14 applicant surrenders a valid Vermont Class D license, the total fees due shall
15 be reduced by:

16 * * *

17 (B) The fee for a commercial learner's permit is ~~\$12.00~~ \$15.00.

18 * * *

19 (b) When a licensee or permittee changes his or her name, mailing address,
20 or residence or in the case of the loss, mutilation, or destruction of a license or
21 permit, the licensee or permittee shall forthwith notify the Commissioner and
22 apply in person for a duplicate license or permit in the same manner as set

