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An act relating to license taxes; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; revises the annual license tax for operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles, trailers, and mobile homes; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 320.08, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2009-14, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

320.08 License taxes.—Except as otherwise provided herein, there are hereby levied and imposed annual license taxes for the operation of motor vehicles, mopeds, motorized bicycles as defined in s. 316.003(2), and mobile homes, as defined in s. 320.01, which shall be paid to and collected by the department or its agent upon the registration or renewal of registration of the following:

- (1) MOTORCYCLES AND MOPEDS.-
- (a) Any motorcycle: \$20 \$10 flat.
- (b) Any moped: \$15 <del>\$5</del> flat.
- (c) Upon registration of any motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or moped there shall be paid in addition to the license taxes specified in this subsection a nonrefundable motorcycle safety education fee in the amount of \$2.50. The proceeds of such additional fee shall be deposited in the Highway Safety Operating Trust Fund to fund a motorcycle driver improvement program implemented pursuant to s. 322.025, the Florida Motorcycle Safety Education Program established in s. 322.0255, or the general operations of the department.

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(d) An ancient or antique motorcycle: \$20 \$10 flat.

- (2) AUTOMOBILES FOR PRIVATE USE.-
- (a) An ancient or antique automobile, as defined in s. 320.086, or a street rod, as defined in s. 320.0863: \$17.50 \$7.50 flat.
- (b) Net weight of less than 2,500 pounds:  $\frac{$24.50}{$14.50}$  flat.
- (c) Net weight of 2,500 pounds or more, but less than 3,500 pounds:  $$32.50 \ $22.50$  flat.
  - (d) Net weight of 3,500 pounds or more: \$42.50 \$32.50 flat.
  - (3) TRUCKS.-
- (a) Net weight of less than 2,000 pounds:  $\frac{$24.50}{$14.50}$  flat.
- (b) Net weight of 2,000 pounds or more, but not more than 3,000 pounds: \$32.50\$22.50 flat.
- (c) Net weight more than 3,000 pounds, but not more than 5,000 pounds: \$42.50 \$32.50 flat.
- (d) A truck defined as a "goat," or any other vehicle when used in the field by a farmer or in the woods for the purpose of harvesting a crop, including naval stores, during such harvesting operations, and which is not principally operated upon the roads of the state: \$17.50 \$7.50 flat. A "goat" is a motor vehicle designed, constructed, and used principally for the transportation of citrus fruit within citrus groves or for the transportation of crops on farms, and which can also be used for the hauling of associated equipment or supplies, including required sanitary equipment, and the towing of farm trailers.
- (e) An ancient or antique truck, as defined in s. 320.086: \$7.50 flat.

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(4) HEAVY TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT.—

- (a) Gross vehicle weight of 5,001 pounds or more, but less than 6,000 pounds: \$55 \$45 \$flat.
- (b) Gross vehicle weight of 6,000 pounds or more, but less than 8,000 pounds: \$75 \$65 \$flat.
- (c) Gross vehicle weight of 8,000 pounds or more, but less than 10,000 pounds:  $$86 $\frac{$76}{100} $$  flat.
- (d) Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$97 \$87 \$flat.
- (e) Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$141 \$131 \$111 flat.
- (f) Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,001 pounds: \$196 \$186 \$flat.
- (g) Gross vehicle weight of 26,001 pounds or more, but less than 35,000: \$250 \$240 \$flat.
- (h) Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: \$310 \$300 flat.
- (i) Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds:  $$582 $\frac{$572}{1}$  flat.
- (j) Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$688 \$678 flat.
- (k) Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$810 \$800 \$flat.
- (1) Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more: \$989 \$979 flat.
- (m) Notwithstanding the declared gross vehicle weight, a truck tractor used within a 150-mile radius of its home address shall be eligible for a license plate for a fee of \$250

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1. The truck tractor is used exclusively for hauling forestry products; or

- 2. The truck tractor is used primarily for the hauling of forestry products, and is also used for the hauling of associated forestry harvesting equipment used by the owner of the truck tractor.
- (n) A truck tractor or heavy truck, not operated as a for-hire vehicle, which is engaged exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products within a 150-mile radius of its home address, shall be eligible for a restricted license plate for a fee of  $\frac{$75}{465}$  flat, if such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is less than 44,000 pounds; or  $\frac{$250}{400}$  flat, if such vehicle's declared gross vehicle weight is 44,000 pounds or more and such vehicle only transports:
- 1. From the point of production to the point of primary manufacture;
- 2. From the point of production to the point of assembling the same; or
- 3. From the point of production to a shipping point of either a rail, water, or motor transportation company.

Such not-for-hire truck tractors and heavy trucks used
exclusively in transporting raw, unprocessed, and
nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural products may be
incidentally used to haul farm implements and fertilizers when
delivered direct to the growers. The department may require any

such documentation deemed necessary to determine eligibility

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prior to issuance of this license plate. For the purpose of this paragraph, "not-for-hire" means the owner of the motor vehicle must also be the owner of the raw, unprocessed, and nonmanufactured agricultural or horticultural product, or the user of the farm implements and fertilizer being delivered.

- (5) SEMITRAILERS, FEES ACCORDING TO GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT; SCHOOL BUSES; SPECIAL PURPOSE VEHICLES.—
- (a)1. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement:  $\frac{$20}{10}$  flat per registration year or any part thereof.
- 2. A semitrailer drawn by a GVW truck tractor by means of a fifth-wheel arrangement:  $\frac{$60}{$50}$  flat per permanent registration.
- (b) A motor vehicle equipped with machinery and designed for the exclusive purpose of well drilling, excavation, construction, spraying, or similar activity, and which is not designed or used to transport loads other than the machinery described above over public roads: \$42.50 \\$32.50 flat.
- (c) A school bus used exclusively to transport pupils to and from school or school or church activities or functions within their own county: \$40 \$30 \$flat.
- (d) A wrecker, as defined in s. 320.01(40), which is used to tow a vessel as defined in s. 327.02(39), a disabled, abandoned, stolen-recovered, or impounded motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01(38), or a replacement motor vehicle as defined in s. 320.01(39):  $\frac{$40}{90}$  flat.
- (e) A wrecker, as defined in s. 320.01(40), which is used to tow any motor vehicle, regardless of whether or not such motor vehicle is a disabled motor vehicle as defined in s.

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- 146 320.01(38), a replacement motor vehicle as defined in s.
- 320.01(39), a vessel as defined in s. 327.02(39), or any other cargo, as follows:
- 1. Gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more, but less than 15,000 pounds: \$97 \$87 flat.
- 2. Gross vehicle weight of 15,000 pounds or more, but less than 20,000 pounds: \$141 \frac{\$131}{131} flat.
  - 3. Gross vehicle weight of 20,000 pounds or more, but less than 26,000 pounds: \$196 \$186 flat.
  - 4. Gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or more, but less than 35,000 pounds: \$250 \$240 \$flat.
- 5. Gross vehicle weight of 35,000 pounds or more, but less than 44,000 pounds: \$310 \$300 flat.
  - 6. Gross vehicle weight of 44,000 pounds or more, but less than 55,000 pounds:  $$582 $\frac{$572}{}$  flat.
  - 7. Gross vehicle weight of 55,000 pounds or more, but less than 62,000 pounds: \$688 \$678 \$flat.
  - 8. Gross vehicle weight of 62,000 pounds or more, but less than 72,000 pounds: \$810 \$800 flat.
  - 9. Gross vehicle weight of 72,000 pounds or more:  $\frac{$989}{$979}$  flat.
    - (f) A hearse or ambulance: \$40 \$30 flat.
    - (6) MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.
- (a) Under nine passengers:  $\frac{$22.50}{$12.50}$  flat plus \$1 per cwt.
- (b) Nine passengers and over:  $\frac{$22.50}{$12.50}$  flat plus \$1.50 per cwt.
  - (7) TRAILERS FOR PRIVATE USE.—
  - (a) Any trailer weighing 500 pounds or less: \$15 <del>\$5</del> flat

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- 176 (b) Net weight over 500 pounds: \$12.50 \$2.50 flat plus 75

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  - (8) TRAILERS FOR HIRE.-
- (a) Net weight under 2,000 pounds:  $\frac{$12.50}{$2.50}$  flat plus \$1 per cwt.
  - (b) Net weight 2,000 pounds or more:  $\frac{$20}{$10}$  flat plus \$1 per cwt.
    - (9) RECREATIONAL VEHICLE-TYPE UNITS.-
  - (a) A travel trailer or fifth-wheel trailer, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b), that does not exceed 35 feet in length:  $\frac{$30}{$20}$  flat.
  - (b) A camping trailer, as defined by s.  $320.01(1)(b)2.: \underline{\$20}$  \$10 flat.
    - (c) A motor home, as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)4.:
    - 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$30  $\frac{$20}{}$  flat.
    - 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$45 \\$35 flat.
    - (d) A truck camper as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)3.:
    - 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$30 \$20 flat.
    - 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$45 \\$35 flat.
- (e) A private motor coach as defined by s. 320.01(1)(b)5.:
  - 1. Net weight of less than 4,500 pounds: \$30 \$20 flat.
  - 2. Net weight of 4,500 pounds or more: \$45 \\$35 flat.
- 198 (10) PARK TRAILERS; TRAVEL TRAILERS; FIFTH-WHEEL TRAILERS; 199 35 FEET TO 40 FEET.—
- 200 (a) Park trailers.—Any park trailer, as defined in s. 201 320.01(1)(b)7.: \$35 \$+25 \$ flat.
  - (b) A travel trailer or fifth-wheel trailer, as defined in s. 320.01(1)(b), that exceeds 35 feet:  $\frac{$35}{$25}$  flat.

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- (a) A mobile home not exceeding 35 feet in length:  $\frac{$30}{$20}$ 
  - (b) A mobile home over 35 feet in length, but not exceeding 40 feet: \$35 \$ \$25 \$ flat.
  - (c) A mobile home over 40 feet in length, but not exceeding 45 feet: \$40 \$ \$30 \$ flat.
  - (d) A mobile home over 45 feet in length, but not exceeding 50 feet: \$45 \$ \$35 \$ flat.
  - (e) A mobile home over 50 feet in length, but not exceeding 55 feet: \$50 \$40 \$flat.
  - (f) A mobile home over 55 feet in length, but not exceeding 60 feet: \$55 \$45 \$flat.
  - (g) A mobile home over 60 feet in length, but not exceeding 65 feet: \$60 \$50 \$flat.
    - (h) A mobile home over 65 feet in length: \$90 \$80 flat.
  - (12) DEALER AND MANUFACTURER LICENSE PLATES.—A franchised motor vehicle dealer, independent motor vehicle dealer, marine boat trailer dealer, or mobile home dealer and manufacturer license plate: \$22.50 \$12.50 flat.
  - (13) EXEMPT OR OFFICIAL LICENSE PLATES.—Any exempt or official license plate: \$13 \$3\$ flat.
  - (14) LOCALLY OPERATED MOTOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE.—A motor vehicle for hire operated wholly within a city or within 25 miles thereof: \$22.50 \$12.50 \$ flat plus \$1.50 per cwt.
  - (15) TRANSPORTER.—Any transporter license plate issued to a transporter pursuant to s. 320.133: \$85 \$75 flat.
    - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.