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SENATE BILL NO. 214

(By Mr. Ballard)

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JOE F. BURDETT
SECRETARY OF STATE
AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one and three, article ten, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to classification of vehicles for purpose of registration and registration fees for vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one and three, article ten, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 1. Classification of Vehicles for Purpose of Registration.—Vehicles subject to registration under the
provisions of this chapter shall be placed in the following
classes for the purpose of registration:

Class A. Motor vehicles of passenger type, other than
those leased or operated for compensation;

Class B. Motor vehicles designated as trucks, truck
tractors, or road tractors other than those leased or oper-
ated for compensation;

Class C. All trailer and semi-trailer except those leased
or operated for compensation other than over regular
route or between fixed termini by common carriers, and
except house trailers and trailers or semi-trailers designed
to be drawn by class A motor vehicles and having a gross
weight of less than two thousand pounds;

Class G. Motorcycles;

Class H. Motor vehicles operated regularly under a
certificate of public convenience and necessity or a con-
tract carrier permit for transportation of persons;

Class I. Motor vehicles designated as trucks, truck
tractors, or road tractors operated over a regular route or
between fixed termini under a certificate of convenience
and necessity for transportation of property;
Class J. Motor vehicles operated for transportation of persons for compensation by common carriers, not running over a regular route or between fixed termini, except passenger motor vehicles rented without a driver;

Class K. Motor vehicles designated as trucks, truck tractors, or road tractors leased or operated for transportation of property for compensation, not over a regular route or between fixed termini, including such motor vehicles rented without drivers;

Class L. All trailers and semi-trailers used for transportation of property for compensation;

Class R. House trailers;

Class S. Special mobile equipment as defined in section nineteen, article one of this chapter;

Class T. Trailers or semi-trailers of a type designed to be drawn by Class A vehicles and having a gross weight of less than two thousand pounds;

Class U. Passenger motor vehicles rented for compensation without a driver.

Class Farm Truck: Motor vehicles designated as trucks having a minimum gross weight of eight thousand one
pounds and a maximum gross weight of twenty-two thousand pounds, used exclusively in the conduct of a farming business engaged in the production of agricultural products by means of (a) the planting, cultivation and harvesting of agricultural, horticultural, vegetable or other products of the soil, (b) the raising, feeding, and care of livestock, poultry, bees, and dairy cattle. Such farm truck shall be used only for the transportation of agricultural products so produced by the owner thereof, or for the transportation of agricultural supplies used in such production, or for private passenger use.

Sec. 3. Registration fees for Vehicles Equipped with Pneumatic Tires.—The following registration fees for the classes indicated shall be paid annually to the department for the registration of vehicles subject to registration hereunder when equipped with pneumatic tires:

Class A. The registration fee for all motor vehicles of this class shall be as follows:

(1) For motor vehicles of a weight of three thousand pounds or less—twenty dollars.

(2) For motor vehicles of a weight of three thousand
and one pounds to four thousand pounds—twenty-four dollars.

(3) For motor vehicles of a weight in excess of four thousand pounds—thirty dollars.

For the purpose of determining the weight the actual weight of the vehicle shall be taken: Provided, That for vehicles owned by churches, or by trustees for churches, which vehicles are regularly used for transporting parishioners to and from church services, no license fee shall be charged, but notwithstanding such exemption, the certificate of registration and license plates shall be obtained the same as other cards and plates under this article.

Class B, class H, class I and class K. The registration fee for all motor vehicles of these four classes shall be as follows:

(1) For declared gross weights of four thousand pounds or less—twenty dollars.

(2) For declared gross weights of four thousand and one pounds to eight thousand pounds—twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.

(3) For declared gross weights of eight thousand and one
pounds to sixteen thousand pounds—twenty-twodollars and
fifty cents plus forty-five cents for each hundred pounds or
fraction thereof that the gross weight of such vehicle or
combination of vehicles exceeds eight thousand pounds.
(4) For declared gross weights greater than sixteen
thousand pounds—sixty-eight dollars and fifty cents plus
ninety cents for each one hundred pounds or fraction
thereof that the gross weight of such vehicle or combina-
tion of vehicles exceeds sixteen thousand pounds.
If the declared gross weight of a class B, class I or class
K motor vehicle includes the gross weight of a class C or
class L vehicle used in combination with such class B,
class I or class K motor vehicle and the registration fee
prescribed hereunder for such class C or class L vehicle
has been paid, there shall be deducted from the registra-
tion fee for such class B, class I or class K motor vehicle
the amount of seventeen dollars and fifty cents.
Class C and class L. The registration fee for all vehicles
of these two classes shall be seventeen dollars and fifty
cents.
Class G. The registration fee for each motorcycle having
two wheels shall be six dollars. The registration fee for each motorcycle having three wheels shall be seven dollars and fifty cents.

Class J. The registration fee for all motor vehicles of this class shall be eighty-five dollars. Ambulances and hearses used exclusively as such shall be exempted from the above special fees.

Class R. The registration fee for all vehicles of this class shall be ten dollars.

Class S. The registration fee for all vehicles of this class shall be seventeen dollars and fifty cents.

Class T. The registration fee for all vehicles of this class shall be six dollars.

Class U. The registration fee for all motor vehicles of this class shall be fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents.

Class Farm Truck: The registration fee for all motor vehicles of this class shall be as follows:

(1) For farm trucks of declared gross weights of eight thousand one pounds to sixteen thousand pounds—thirty dollars

(2) For farm trucks of declared gross weights of six-
teen thousand one pounds to twenty-two thousand pounds
—eighty dollars.

From the revenue provided by this section for the fiscal year 1959-60 the sum of three million two hundred thousand dollars shall be used for the purpose of matching federal funds allocated for the interstate road system in West Virginia.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

Ralph Bean
President of the Senate

H. R. Pooley
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 20th day of March, 1959.

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Governor