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HOUSE BILL No. 785

(By Mr. Givens and Mr. Brenda)

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Passed March 7, 1980

In Effect July 1, 1980 ~~Passage~~



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article ten, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to exemptions from payment of motor vehicle registration fees; and exempting not more than one Class A or Class G vehicle owned by a former prisoner of war, or a recipient of the congressional medal of honor, and not used for commercial purposes."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eight, 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:

ARTICLE 10. FEES FOR REGISTRATION, LICENSING, ETC.

§17A-10-8. Vehicles exempt from payment of registrations fees.

1 The following specified vehicles shall be exempt from the
2 payment of any registration fees:

3 (1) Any vehicle owned or operated by the United States
4 government, the state of West Virginia or any of their politi-
5 cal subdivisions. The proper representative of the United
6 States government, the state of West Virginia, or any of their
7 political subdivisions shall make an application for registration
8 for the vehicle and the registration plate or plates issued for
9 the vehicle shall be displayed as provided in this chapter:

10 (2) Any fire vehicle owned or operated by a volunteer fire

11 department organized for the protection of community prop-
12 erty;

13 (3) Any ambulance or any other emergency rescue vehicle
14 owned or operated by a nonprofit, charitable organization,
15 and used exclusively for charitable purposes;

16 (4) Any vehicle owned by a disabled veteran as defined
17 by the provisions of Public Law 663 of the 79th Congress of
18 the United States, or Public Law 187 of the 82nd Congress of
19 the United States, or Public Law 77 of the 90th Congress of
20 the United States; except for vehicles used for hire which are
21 owned by disabled veterans;

22 (5) Not more than one vehicle owned by a veteran with a
23 hundred percent total and permanent service-connected dis-
24 ability as certified by the director of the Department of Vet-
25 erans' Affairs of West Virginia and not used for commercial
26 purposes;

27 (6) Not more than one Class A or Class G vehicle, as
28 defined in section one of this article, owned by a former priso-
29 ner of war and not used for commercial purposes. For pur-
30 poses of this subdivision, the term "prisoner of war" means
31 any member of the armed forces of the United States, includ-
32 ing the United States coast guard and national guard, who was
33 held by any hostile force with which the United States was
34 actually engaged in armed conflict during any period of the
35 incarceration; or any person, military or civilian, assigned to
36 duty on the U.S.S. Pueblo who was captured by the military
37 forces of North Korea on the twenty-third of January, one
38 thousand nine hundred sixty-eight, and thereafter held prisoner;
39 except any person who, at any time, voluntarily, knowingly and
40 without duress, gave aid to or collaborated with or in any
41 manner served any such hostile force; and

42 (7) Not more than one Class A or Class G vehicle, as
43 defined in section one of this article, owned by a recipient of
44 the congressional medal of honor and not used for commer-
45 cial purposes.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Clarence C. Lechman Jr.
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1980.

Todd C. Wulfsberg
Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. I. Brinkley Jr.
President of the Senate

Clayton M. Lee Jr.
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *21*
day of *March*, 1980.

W. D. Raper
Governor

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