### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 288-ASSEMBLYWOMAN SPIEGEL

## MARCH 18, 2019

#### Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to vehicle registration services. (BDR 43-938)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to license certain persons as authorized third parties to provide registration, titling and other services; setting forth the fees and other requirements for licensure as an authorized third party; setting forth the services an authorized third party may perform; setting forth the fees an authorized third party may collect for providing such services; requiring the Department to provide employees who are fluent in certain languages at offices of the Department in certain circumstances; requiring the Department to use consistent terms relating to motor vehicles on certain forms provided by the Department; revising provisions related to towing certain vehicles from a residential complex; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Under federal law, certain voting materials must be provided in a language other than English in certain political subdivisions if more than 5 percent of the citizens of voting age in the subdivision are members of a single language minority and are limited-English proficient. (52 U.S.C. § 10503) Section 1 of this bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, in any office of the Department located in a county where federal law requires voting materials in a language other than English, to provide at least one employee who is fluent in the language of the relevant single language minority.

Section 10 of this bill authorizes the Department to license a person as an authorized third party to conduct certain registration and titling services if the





person meets certain requirements, including, without limitation, the provision of fingerprints and passing a criminal background check. Section 9 of this bill sets forth the services that an authorized third party may provide to its customers, which are: (1) providing applications for certain motor vehicle and off-highway vehicle registration and titling services; (2) accepting those applications; (3) issuing certificates of registration, certificates of title, license plates and decals; (4) issuing a permit authorizing the travel on the highways of this State of an unregistered vehicle in certain circumstances; (5) notarizing certain documents; (6) submitting change of address information; and (7) accepting license plates that are required to be surrendered to the Department. Section 9 also authorizes an authorized third party to charge its customers a convenience fee for its services, and sets forth the portion of each statutory fee for services that may be retained by the authorized third party. Section 9 further requires an authorized third party to remit all fees due to the Department and collected by the authorized third party not less than daily. **Section 8** of this bill requires the Department to provide an authorized third party: (1) access to those portions of the Department database or other technology systems required for an authorized third party to provide the authorized services; (2) training in the provision of such services; (3) access to bulk appointments at offices of the Department; (4) the ability to purchase bulk amounts of certain forms, license plates and decals from the Department; and (5) notice of any relevant new regulations, policies or procedures and any amendments to same. Section 12 of this bill requires that an authorized third party must provide the Department with a bond, and section 13 of this bill sets forth the grounds on which the Department may refuse to issue or renew the license of an authorized third party, or suspend or revoke such a license. Section 14 of this bill requires that all employees of an authorized third party be fingerprinted for a background check and trained by the Department before performing any of the authorized services of the authorized third party. Section 15 of this bill sets forth the records that an authorized third party must maintain and make available for inspection by the Department. Sections 2-7 and 16-74 of this bill make conforming changes.

Existing law requires that certain motor vehicles be tested for emissions in certain counties in this State. (NRS 445B.770-445B.815) As part of the emissions testing program, the Department collects fees for each set of forms purchased for use to certify emission control compliance. (NRS 445B.830) **Section 75** of this bill requires the Department to ensure that such forms must use the same terms regarding the make, model and features of a vehicle as any other forms of the Department that are used for vehicle inspections.

Existing law imposes certain requirements on the towing of a vehicle from a residential complex when the tow is at the request of a person other than the owner of the vehicle. (NRS 706.4477) **Section 76** of this bill newly requires a tow operator who has been requested by the owner of the real property where the residential complex is located, or an authorized agent of the owner, to tow a vehicle from the residential complex based on an expired registration of the vehicle to independently verify the registration status of the vehicle before towing the vehicle. A tow operator who fails to comply with that requirement is responsible for the cost of the towing and storage of the vehicle.

Finally, **section 77** of this bill requires the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit of the Department which measures the accuracy and average time of completion of transactions involving the various services that an authorized third party may conduct pursuant to **section 9**. The Legislative Auditor is required to present a final written report to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission not later than July 1, 2020.





# THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 481 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

At each office of the Department in which voting materials are required pursuant to NRS 293.2699 to be provided in the language or languages of a minority group, the Department shall ensure that not less than one employee who is fluent in each such language is available to provide services in the office in the language or languages of the minority group.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 481.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 481.015 1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, as used in this title, unless the context otherwise requires, "certificate of title" means the document issued by the Department or an authorized third party that identifies the legal owner of a vehicle and contains the information required pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 482.245. The definition set forth in this subsection does not apply to chapters 488 and 489 of NRS.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in chapter 480 of NRS, NRS 484C.600 to 484C.640, inclusive, 486.363 to 486.375, inclusive, and chapters 486A and 488 of NRS, as used in this title, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - (a) "Department" means the Department of Motor Vehicles.
  - (b) "Director" means the Director of the Department.
- 3. As used in this title, the term "full legal name" means a natural person's first name, middle name and family name or last name, without the use of initials or a nickname. The term includes a full legal name that has been changed pursuant to the provisions of NRS 483.375 or 483.8605.
  - **Sec. 3.** NRS 481.048 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 481.048 1. The Director shall appoint, within the limits of legislative appropriations, investigators for the Division of Compliance Enforcement.
  - 2. The duties of the investigators are to travel the State and:
- (a) Act as investigators in the enforcement of the provisions of chapters 482, 487 and 490 of NRS, NRS 108.265 to 108.367, inclusive, and 108.440 to 108.500, inclusive, as those sections pertain to motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, recreational vehicles and semitrailers, as defined in chapter 482 of NRS, and off-highway vehicles, as defined in NRS 490.060.
- (b) Act as advisers to any business licensed by the Department in connection with any problems arising under the provisions of chapters 108, 482, 483, 487 and 490 of NRS.





- (c) Advise and assist personnel of the Nevada Highway Patrol in the enforcement of traffic laws and motor vehicle registration laws as they pertain to any business licensed by the Department.
- (d) Act as investigators in the enforcement of the provisions of NRS 483.700 to 483.780, inclusive, relating to the licensing of schools and instructors for training drivers.
- (e) Act as investigators in the enforcement of the provisions of sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act relating to authorized third parties, as defined in section 7 of this act.
- (f) Exercise their police powers in the enforcement of the laws of this State to prevent acts of fraud or other abuses in connection with the provision of services offered to the public by the Department.
- [(f)] (g) Perform such other duties as may be imposed by the Director.
  - **Sec. 4.** NRS 481.051 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 481.051 1. The Director shall direct and supervise all administrative and technical activities of the Department.
- 2. The Director may organize the Department into various divisions, alter the organization and reassign responsibilities and duties as the Director deems appropriate.
  - 3. The Director shall:

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- (a) Formulate the policy of the Department and the various divisions thereof.
- (b) Coordinate the activities of the various divisions of the Department.
- (c) Adopt such regulations consistent with law as the Director deems necessary for the operation of the Department and the enforcement of all laws administered by the Department.
- The Director may appoint vendors to serve as agents of the 4. Department to sell temporary permits. The vendor shall collect the fees for the permits issued pursuant to chapter 706 of NRS and pay them to the Department. The vendor shall guarantee payment by giving a bond in an amount not less than \$25,000, executed by the vendor as principal, and by a corporation qualified pursuant to the laws of this State as surety, payable to the State of Nevada. In lieu of a bond, the vendor may deposit with the State Treasurer a like amount of lawful money of the United States or any other form of security authorized by NRS 100.065. If security is provided in the form of a savings certificate, certificate of deposit or investment certificate, the certificate must state that the amount is not available for withdrawal except upon approval of the Director. Upon approval of the Governor, the Director may appoint inspectors of the Nevada Transportation Authority and personnel of the Nevada Highway





Patrol Division of the Department of Public Safety to serve without remuneration as vendors for the purposes of this subsection.

- 5. The Director may enter into a contract with a supplier of self-service terminals or kiosks which authorizes the supplier to process through those self-service terminals or kiosks certain transactions pursuant to this chapter and chapters 482, 483 and 485 of NRS that have been designated by the Director and to charge and collect from customers a nonrefundable processing fee for each such transaction. The Director shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this subsection.
- 6. The Director, pursuant to sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act, may license an authorized third party, as defined in section 7 of this act, to provide services and charge and collect from customers a convenience fee as authorized in section 9 of this act.
- 7. The Director may delegate to the officers and employees of the Department such authorities and responsibilities not otherwise delegated by law as the Director deems necessary for the efficient conduct of the business of the Department.
  - **Sec. 5.** NRS 481.063 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 481.063 1. The Director may charge and collect reasonable fees for official publications of the Department and from persons making use of files and records of the Department or its various divisions for a private purpose. All money so collected must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [6,] 7, the Director may release personal information, except a photograph, from a file or record relating to the driver's license, identification card, or title or registration of a vehicle of a person if the requester submits a written release from the person who holds a lien on the vehicle, or an agent of that person, or the person about whom the information is requested which is dated not more than 90 days before the date of the request. The written release must be in a form required by the Director.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and [4,] 5, the Director shall not release to any person who is not a representative of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services or an officer, employee or agent of a law enforcement agency, an agent of the public defender's office or an agency of a local government which collects fines imposed for parking violations, who is not conducting an investigation pursuant to NRS 253.0415 or 253.220, who is not authorized to transact insurance pursuant to chapter 680A of NRS or who is not licensed as a private investigator pursuant to chapter 648 of NRS and conducting an investigation of an insurance claim:





- (a) A list which includes license plate numbers combined with any other information in the records or files of the Department;
- (b) The social security number of any person, if it is requested to facilitate the solicitation of that person to purchase a product or service; or
- (c) The name, address, telephone number or any other personally identifiable information if the information is requested by the presentation of a license plate number.
- → When such personally identifiable information is requested of a law enforcement agency by the presentation of a license plate number, the law enforcement agency shall conduct an investigation regarding the person about whom information is being requested or, as soon as practicable, provide the requester with the requested information if the requester officially reports that the motor vehicle bearing that license plate was used in a violation of NRS 205.240, 205.345, 205.380 or 205.445.
- 4. The Director may allow access by an authorized third party, as defined in section 7 of this act, to those portions of the Department database or other technology systems required to perform the services which the authorized third party is authorized to perform pursuant to section 9 of this act.
- 5. If a person is authorized to obtain [such] the personally identifiable information described in subsection 3 pursuant to a contract entered into with the Department and if such information is requested for the purpose of an advisory notice relating to a motor vehicle or the recall of a motor vehicle or for the purpose of providing information concerning the history of a vehicle, the Director may release:
- (a) A list which includes license plate numbers combined with any other information in the records or files of the Department; or
- (b) The name, address, telephone number or any other personally identifiable information if the information is requested by the presentation of a license plate number.
- [5.] 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2, [4] 5 and [6] 7 and NRS 483.294, 483.855 and 483.937, the Director shall not release any personal information from a file or record relating to a driver's license, identification card, or title or registration of a vehicle.
- [6.] 7. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) and subsection [7,] 8, if a person or governmental entity provides a description of the information requested and its proposed use and signs an affidavit to that effect, the Director may release any personal information, except a photograph, from a file or record relating to a driver's license, identification card, or title or registration of a vehicle for use:





- (a) By any governmental entity, including, but not limited to, any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out its functions, or any person acting on behalf of a federal, state or local governmental agency in carrying out its functions. The personal information may include a photograph from a file or record relating to a driver's license, identification card, or title or registration of a vehicle.
- (b) In connection with any civil, criminal, administrative or arbitration proceeding before any federal or state court, regulatory body, board, commission or agency, including, but not limited to, use for service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal or state court.
  - (c) In connection with matters relating to:
    - (1) The safety of drivers of motor vehicles;
    - (2) Safety and thefts of motor vehicles;
    - (3) Emissions from motor vehicles;
    - (4) Alterations of products related to motor vehicles;
- (5) An advisory notice relating to a motor vehicle or the recall of a motor vehicle;
  - (6) Monitoring the performance of motor vehicles;
  - (7) Parts or accessories of motor vehicles;
  - (8) Dealers of motor vehicles; or
- (9) Removal of nonowner records from the original records of motor vehicle manufacturers.
- (d) By any insurer, self-insurer or organization that provides assistance or support to an insurer or self-insurer or its agents, employees or contractors, in connection with activities relating to the rating, underwriting or investigation of claims or the prevention of fraud.
- (e) In providing notice to the owners of vehicles that have been towed, repossessed or impounded.
- (f) By an employer or its agent or insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's license who is employed by or has applied for employment with the employer.
- (g) By a private investigator, private patrol officer or security consultant who is licensed pursuant to chapter 648 of NRS, for any use permitted pursuant to this section.
- (h) By a reporter or editorial employee who is employed by or affiliated with any newspaper, press association or commercially operated, federally licensed radio or television station for a journalistic purpose. The Department may not make any inquiries regarding the use of or reason for the information requested other than whether the information will be used for a journalistic purpose.





- (i) In connection with an investigation conducted pursuant to NRS 253.0415 or 253.220.
- (j) In activities relating to research and the production of statistical reports, if the personal information will not be published or otherwise redisclosed, or used to contact any person.
- [7.] 8. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (j) of subsection [6,] 7, the Director shall not provide personal information to individuals or companies for the purpose of marketing extended vehicle warranties, and a person who requests and receives personal information may sell or disclose that information only for a use permitted pursuant to subsection [6.] 7. Such a person shall keep and maintain for 5 years a record of:
  - (a) Each person to whom the information is provided; and
  - (b) The purpose for which that person will use the information.
- The record must be made available for examination by the Department at all reasonable times upon request.
- [8.] 9. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the Director may deny any use of the files and records if the Director reasonably believes that the information taken may be used for an unwarranted invasion of a particular person's privacy.
- [9.] 10. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 485.316, the Director shall not allow any person to make use of information retrieved from the system created pursuant to NRS 485.313 for a private purpose and shall not in any other way release any information retrieved from that system.
- [10.] 11. The Director shall not release any information relating to legal presence or any other information relating to or describing immigration status, nationality or citizenship from a file or record relating to a request for or the issuance of a license, identification card or title or registration of a vehicle to any person or to any federal, state or local governmental entity for any purpose relating to the enforcement of immigration laws.
- [11.] 12. The Director shall adopt such regulations as the Director deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this section. In addition, the Director shall, by regulation, establish a procedure whereby a person who is requesting personal information may establish an account with the Department to facilitate the person's ability to request information electronically or by written request if the person has submitted to the Department proof of employment or licensure, as applicable, and a signed and notarized affidavit acknowledging that the person:
- (a) Has read and fully understands the current laws and regulations regarding the manner in which information from the Department's files and records may be obtained and the limited uses which are permitted;





- (b) Understands that any sale or disclosure of information so obtained must be in accordance with the provisions of this section;
- (c) Understands that a record will be maintained by the Department of any information he or she requests; and
- (d) Understands that a violation of the provisions of this section is a criminal offense.

[12.] 13. It is unlawful for any person to:

- (a) Make a false representation to obtain any information from the files or records of the Department.
- (b) Knowingly obtain or disclose any information from the files or records of the Department for any use not permitted by the provisions of this chapter.

[13.] 14. As used in this section:

- (a) "Information relating to legal presence" means information that may reveal whether a person is legally present in the United States, including, without limitation, whether the driver's license that a person possesses is a driver authorization card, whether the person applied for a driver's license pursuant to NRS 483.290 or 483.291 and the documentation used to prove name, age and residence that was provided by the person with his or her application for a driver's license.
- (b) "Personal information" means information that reveals the identity of a person, including, without limitation, his or her photograph, social security number, individual taxpayer identification number, driver's license number, identification card number, name, address, telephone number or information regarding a medical condition or disability. The term does not include the zip code of a person when separate from his or her full address, information regarding vehicular crashes or driving violations in which he or she has been involved or other information otherwise affecting his or her status as a driver.
- (c) "Vehicle" includes, without limitation, an off-highway vehicle as defined in NRS 490.060.
- **Sec. 6.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 7. "Authorized third party" means a person licensed by the Department pursuant to section 10 of this act to provide to customers of the authorized third party certain services concerning the registration and titling of motor vehicles.
- Sec. 8. 1. The Department shall provide an authorized third party:
- (a) Access to those portions of the Department database or other technology systems required to perform the services which





an authorized third party is authorized to perform pursuant to section 9 of this act.

- (b) Training for the authorized third party and his or her employees on those policies and procedures of the Department that are relevant to providing the services authorized in section 9 of this act, including, without limitation, training regarding accessing portions of the Department database or other technology systems pursuant to paragraph (a). As part of the training the Department shall provide the authorized third party a written summary of the rights and responsibilities of the authorized third including. without limitation. those rights party. responsibilities related to bulk appointments. The Department may charge the authorized third party a reasonable fee for such training.
- (c) Access to appointments, including, without limitation, bulk appointments, through any electronic or digital system in use by the Department that allows a customer to make an appointment for services at an office of the Department.
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the ability to purchase from the Department bulk amounts of certificates of registration, certificates of title, license plates, decals, permits and other forms related to the services that an authorized third party is authorized to provide pursuant to section 9 of this act.
- (e) Notice of any regulations, policies or procedures and any amendments to such regulations, policies or procedures concerning authorized third parties or the services which an authorized third party is authorized to provide pursuant to section 9 of this act not less than 30 days before such regulations, policies, procedures or amendments become effective.
- 2. An authorized third party may provide the services authorized in section 9 of this act in any or all of the following manners:
- (a) By visiting an office of the Department or the Internet website of the Department on behalf of a customer;
- (b) Through the use of an Internet website or application of the authorized third party; or
- (c) At a physical location operated by the authorized third party.
- 3. An authorized third party may not obtain from the Department bulk amounts of special license plates, including without limitation, personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667, but may accept applications for special license plates, forward such applications to the Department and issue the special license plates on behalf of the Department upon receipt from the Department of such special license plates.





- 4. Any money collected by the Department in the administration of the powers and duties provided in sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act shall be deemed to be a cost of administration with respect to the operation of motor vehicles upon the public highways of this State.
- 5. As used in this section, "bulk appointments" means a series of two or more consecutive appointments on a given day at an office of the Department.
- Sec. 9. 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and section 8 of this act, an authorized third party may provide the following services:
  - (a) Provide to and accept from a customer an application for:
- (1) Registration, renewal of registration, transfer of registration and reinstatement of registration of a motor vehicle or an off-highway vehicle;
- (2) A certificate of title, transfer of title and a duplicate or substitute certificate of title;
- (3) License plates, including, without limitation, special license plates, duplicate number plates and substitute number plates; and
- (4) A permit to operate a vehicle authorized in NRS 482.396.
- (b) Issue, to an applicant who satisfies the requirements of this chapter or chapter 490 of NRS, as applicable:
- (1) A certificate of registration, including, without limitation, a duplicate or substitute certificate of registration;
- (2) A certificate of title, including, without limitation, a duplicate or substitute certificate of title;
  - (3) License plates;
  - (4) A decal or a substitute decal for a license plate; and
  - (5) A permit to operate a vehicle pursuant to NRS 482.396.
- (c) Notarize documents required to be notarized by this chapter, provided that such services are provided by a notary public appointed by the Secretary of State pursuant to chapter 240 of NRS and in good standing with the Secretary of State.
  - (d) Submit change of address information to the Department
- on behalf of a customer of the authorized third party.

  (e) Accept license plates that are required to be so
  - (e) Accept license plates that are required to be surrendered to the Department. The authorized third party must deliver the license plates to the Department within 5 business days after receipt.
  - (f) Submit information to the Department regarding a customer who has claimed an exemption pursuant to NRS 371.101, transferred an exemption pursuant to NRS 371.103,



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made a payment pursuant to NRS 371.1035 or file an affidavit pursuant to NRS 371.104.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, an authorized third party must collect for each service provided the fees required by this chapter or chapter 490, as applicable, including, without limitation, all applicable governmental services taxes, and remit those fees and taxes to the Department not less than daily.
  - 3. An authorized third party may:

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- (a) Collect and retain for each service provided a reasonable convenience fee; and
- (b) May add the cost for expedited processing of services if requested by the applicant.
- 4. An authorized third party may retain from the fees required by this chapter or chapter 490 of NRS, as applicable, and collected by the authorized third party:
  - (a) Two dollars for each issuance of:
    - (1) A certificate of registration.
    - (2) License plates, including special license plates.
    - (3) A certificate of title.
    - (4) A permit to operate a vehicle pursuant to NRS 482.396.
  - (b) One dollar for each issuance of:
    - (1) A duplicate or substitute certificate of registration.
    - (2) Substitute number plates.
    - (3) Duplicate number plates.
- 5. An authorized third party must post the fees authorized by this section, along with fees required by this chapter or chapter 490 of NRS, as applicable, for each service provided by the authorized third party:
- (a) In every physical location where the authorized third party provides services, if applicable; and
- (b) On the Internet website of the authorized third party, if applicable.
- 6. Fees posted pursuant to subsection 5 must be broken down into the following categories:
  - (a) Fees required by the Department.
  - (b) Convenience fees charged by the authorized third party.
  - (c) The fee for expedited service, if applicable.
- 7. If at any time an authorized third party is unable to account for an unissued certificate of registration, certificate of title, license plate, decal or permit, the authorized third party must immediately pay to the Department an amount established by the Department by regulation.
- 8. An authorized third party may not provide any of the services authorized in subsection 1 for:





- (a) Autonomous vehicles, as defined in NRS 482A.030.
- (b) Vehicles owned by a short-term lessor.

- (c) Specially constructed, reconstructed, rebuilt or foreign vehicles.
- (d) Vehicles required pursuant to NRS 482.276 or 482.2916 to submit an application for registration or renewal with the Motor Carrier Division of the Department.
- (e) Vehicles required to be registered pursuant to chapter 706 or 706B of NRS.
- 10 (f) A replica vehicle or military tactical vehicle, as those terms 11 are defined in NRS 445B.759.
  - (g) An abandoned recreational vehicle pursuant to NRS 482.262.
  - (h) A person seeking a certificate of title pursuant to NRS 482.2605 or a salvage title pursuant to NRS 487.820.
  - 9. All the fees authorized by this section to be charged and collected by an authorized third party shall be deemed to be a cost of administration with respect to the operation of motor vehicles upon the public highways of this State.
  - Sec. 10. 1. A person shall not engage in the activity of an authorized third party in this State without first having received a license from the Department. Before issuing a license to an authorized third party, the Department shall require:
  - (a) An application, signed and verified by the applicant, stating that the applicant desires to be licensed as an authorized third party, his or her residential address, his or her social security number and the address of his or her principal place of business.
  - (b) A statement as to whether any previous application of the applicant for a license as an authorized third party has been denied or whether such a license has been suspended or revoked.
    - (c) Payment of a nonrefundable license fee as follows:
  - (1) For an authorized third party that operates a fixed physical location where a customer may obtain services or have the authorized third party obtain services from the Department on behalf of the customer, a fee of \$150.
  - (2) For an authorized third party who does not operate a fixed location where a customer may obtain services or have the authorized third party obtain services from the Department on behalf of the customer, a fee of \$75.
  - (d) A fee for the processing of fingerprints. The Department shall establish by regulation the fee for processing fingerprints. The fee must not exceed the sum of the amounts charged by the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for processing the fingerprints.





- (e) For initial licensure, the submission of a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Department to forward those fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.
- (f) If the applicant is a natural person, the statement required pursuant to section 11 of this act.
  - (g) Any other information the Department deems necessary.
- → A license issued pursuant to this section expires on December 31 of the year in which it was issued and may be renewed by payment to the Department of the annual renewal fee of \$50 and, if the licensee is a natural person, submission of the statement required pursuant to section 11 of this act.
- 2. If a licensee fails to renew his or her license before it expires on December 31, the license may be reinstated upon submission to the Department:
  - (a) The annual renewal fee of \$50;
  - (b) A late fee of \$25; and

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- (c) If the licensee is a natural person, the statement required pursuant to section 11 of this act.
- 3. The Department shall issue a license to each qualified applicant in a competitively neutral and nondiscriminatory manner as to all similarly situated applicants.
- 4. The Department may deny the issuance of a license to engage in the activities of an authorized third party upon any of the following grounds:
- (a) Failure of the applicant to have an established place of business in this State.
  - (b) Conviction of:
- (1) A felony in this State or any other state, territory or nation; or
- (2) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of property within the immediately preceding 7 years.
  - (c) Material misstatement in the application.
  - (d) Evidence of unfitness of the applicant or licensee.
- (e) Failure or refusal to provide to the Department an authorization for the disclosure of financial records for the business if required pursuant to subsection 8.
- (f) Willful failure to comply with a provision of the motor vehicle laws of this State, or a regulation of the Department, or a directive of the Director. For the purpose of this paragraph, failure to comply with a directive of the Director advising the licensee of noncompliance with a provision of the motor vehicle laws of this State or a regulation of the Department, within 10





days after the receipt of the directive, is prima facie evidence of willful failure to comply with the directive.

(g) Failure or refusal to furnish and keep in force any bond

required pursuant to section 12 of this act.

(h) Failure or refusal by the licensee to pay or otherwise discharge a final judgment against the licensee rendered and entered against the licensee, arising out of the misrepresentation of any services provided by the authorized third party, or out of a fraud committed in connection with the services provided by an authorized third party.

(i) Failure of the licensee to maintain any other license or

bond required by a political subdivision of this State.

(j) Any other reason determined by the Director to be in the best interests of the public.

→ The Director may deny the issuance of a license to an applicant or revoke a license already issued if the Department is satisfied that the applicant or licensee is not entitled thereto.

5. If an application for an authorized third party's license has been denied, the applicant may not reapply sooner than 6 months

after the denial.

 6. An authorized third party's license must be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the authorized third party's principal place of business or, if no such premises exist, must be carried on the person of the authorized third party whenever the authorized third party is engaged in the business of an authorized third party.

7. If any information submitted in the application for an authorized third party's license changes, the authorized third party shall submit a written notice of the change to the Department

within 10 days after the change occurs.

8. Upon the receipt of any report or complaint alleging that an applicant or a licensee has engaged in financial misconduct or has failed to satisfy financial obligations related to the activity of an authorized third party, the Department may require the applicant or licensee to submit to the Department an authorization for the disclosure of financial records for the business as provided in NRS 239A.090. The Department may use any information obtained pursuant to such an authorization only to determine the suitability of the applicant or licensee for initial or continued licensure. Information obtained pursuant to such an authorization may be disclosed only to those employees of the Department who are authorized to issue a license to an applicant pursuant to this section or to determine the suitability of an applicant or a licensee for such licensure.





- 9. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.555, any person who fails to comply with the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- Sec. 11. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, an applicant for the issuance or renewal of a license as an authorized third party shall submit to the Department the statement prescribed by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to NRS 425.520. The statement must be completed and signed by the applicant.
- 2. The Department shall include the statement required pursuant to subsection 1 in:
- (a) The application or any other forms that must be submitted for the issuance or renewal of the license; or
  - (b) A separate form prescribed by the Department.
- 3. A license as an authorized third party may not be issued or renewed by the Department if the applicant:
- (a) Fails to submit the statement required pursuant to subsection 1; or
- (b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.
- 4. If an applicant indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that the applicant is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order, the Department shall advise the applicant to contact the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order to determine the actions that the applicant may take to satisfy the arrearage.
- 5. If a licensee renews an existing license electronically, the licensee shall keep the original of the statement required pursuant to subsection 1 at his or her place of business for not less than 3 years after submitting the electronic renewal. The statement must be available during business hours for inspection by any authorized agent of the Director or the State of Nevada.
- Sec. 12. 1. No license may be issued to an authorized third party until the authorized third party procures and files with the Department a good and sufficient bond in the amount of \$50,000, with a corporate surety thereon, licensed to do business in the State of Nevada, approved as to form by the Attorney General, and





conditioned that the applicant shall conduct business as an authorized third party without fraud or fraudulent representation, and in compliance with the provisions of sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act. The Department may, by agreement with any authorized third party who has been licensed by the Department for 5 years or more, allow a reduction in the amount of the bond of the authorized third party, if the business of the authorized third party has been conducted satisfactorily for the preceding 5 years, but no bond may be in an amount less than \$10,000.

2. The bond may be continuous in form and the total aggregate liability on the bond must be limited to the payment of

the total amount of the bond.

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- 3. The bond must provide that any person injured by the action of an authorized third party or any employee of an authorized third party in violation of any of the provisions of sections 7 to 15, inclusive, of this act may apply to the Director for compensation from the bond. The Director, for good cause shown and after notice and opportunity for hearing, may determine the amount of compensation and the person to whom it is to be paid. The surety shall then make the payment.
- 4. In lieu of a bond, an authorized third party may deposit with the Department, under the terms prescribed by the Department:
- (a) A like amount of money or bonds of the United States or of the State of Nevada of an actual market value of not less than the amount fixed by the Department; or
- (b) A savings certificate of a bank, credit union, savings and loan association or savings bank situated in Nevada, which must indicate an account of an amount equal to the amount of the bond which would otherwise be required by this section and that this amount is unavailable for withdrawal except upon order of the Department. Interest earned on the certificate accrues to the account of the applicant.
- 5. A deposit made pursuant to subsection 4 may be disbursed by the Director, for good cause shown and after notice and opportunity for hearing, in an amount determined by the Director to compensate a person injured by an action of the licensee, or released upon receipt of:
- (a) An order of a court requiring the Director to release all or a specified portion of the deposit; or
- (b) A statement signed by the person under whose name the deposit is made and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgments in this State, requesting the Director to release the deposit, or a specified portion thereof, and stating the purpose for which the release is requested.





- 6. When a deposit is made pursuant to subsection 4, liability under the deposit is in the amount prescribed by the Department. If the amount of the deposit is reduced or there is an outstanding judgment of a court for which the licensee is liable under the deposit, the license is automatically suspended. The license must be reinstated if the licensee:
  - (a) Files an additional bond pursuant to subsection 1;
- (b) Restores the deposit with the Department to the original amount required under this section; or
- (c) Satisfies the outstanding judgment for which he or she is liable under the deposit.
  - 7. A deposit made pursuant to subsection 4 may be refunded:
- (a) By order of the Director, 3 years after the date the licensee ceases to be licensed by the Department, if the Director is satisfied that there are no outstanding claims against the deposit; or
- (b) By order of the court, at any time within 3 years after the date the licensee ceases to be licensed by the Department, upon evidence satisfactory to the court that there are no outstanding claims against the deposit.
- 8. Any money received by the Department pursuant to subsection 4 must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.
- Sec. 13. 1. The Department may refuse to issue or renew or may suspend or revoke a license as an authorized third party upon any of the following grounds:
  - (a) Conviction of:

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- (1) A felony in this State or any other state, territory or nation; or
- (2) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of property within the immediately preceding 7 years.
  - (b) Material misstatement in the application for a license.
  - (c) Evidence of unfitness of the applicant or licensee.
- (d) Willful failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto, or any law relating to the operation of a motor vehicle.
- (e) Failure or refusal to furnish and keep in force any bond required pursuant to section 12 of this act.
- (f) Failure of the licensee to maintain any other license required by any political subdivision of this State.
- 2. Any person whose application is denied or whose license is refused to renew, suspended or revoked pursuant to this section is entitled to judicial review of the decision in the manner provided by chapter 233B of NRS.





- Sec. 14. 1. No employee of an authorized third party may conduct transactions with customers or provide any of the services authorized in section 9 of this act until the employee has successfully completed training provided pursuant to subsection 1 of section 8 of this act.
- 2. No employee of an authorized third party may conduct transactions with customers or provide any of the services authorized in section 9 of this act if the employee has been convicted of:
- (a) A felony in this State or any other state, territory or nation; or
- (b) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of property within the immediately preceding 7 years.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, within 5 days after hiring any employee who will conduct transactions with customers or provide any of the services authorized in section 9 of this act, an authorized third party shall:
- (a) Obtain a written statement from the employee stating whether he or she has been convicted of any crime listed in subsection 2;
- (b) Obtain an oral and written confirmation of the information contained in the written statement obtained pursuant to paragraph (a);
- (c) Obtain from the employee one set of fingerprints and a written authorization to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report; and
- (d) Submit to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History the fingerprints obtained pursuant to paragraph (c) to obtain information on the background and personal history of each employee to determine whether the person has been convicted of any crime listed in subsection 2.
- 4. An authorized third party is not required to obtain the information described in subsection 3 from an employee if his or her fingerprints have been submitted to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report within the immediately preceding 6 months and the report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicated that the employee has not been convicted of any crime set forth in subsection 2.
- 5. An authorized third party shall conduct an investigation pursuant to this section of each employee who conducts transactions with customers or provides any of the services





authorized in section 9 of this act at least once every 5 years after the initial investigation.

- Sec. 15. 1. An authorized third party must obtain and compile any records required to be compiled by the Department. Such records must be:
- (a) Retained by the authorized third party for a time period determined by the Department by regulation; and
- (b) Open to inspection by any peace officer, investigator of the Department or any employee of the Department who is authorized by the Department to inspect such records.
- 2. The records required pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation, records which track the amount and type of services provided by the authorized third party.
  - **Sec. 16.** NRS 482.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.010 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 482.0105 to 482.137, inclusive, *and section 7 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
  - **Sec. 17.** NRS 482.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.160 1. The Director may adopt and enforce such administrative regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.
- 2. The Director may establish branch offices as provided in NRS 481.055, and may by contract appoint any person or public agency as an agent to assist in carrying out the duties of the Department pursuant to this chapter. The Director may designate the county assessor of any county as agent to assist in carrying out the duties of the Department in that county. The county assessor may, under an agreement with the Department made pursuant to this subsection, transfer his or her duties as agent to the Department where the Department has established a branch office, consisting of full-time employees, in the county.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection [...] and section 9 of this act, the contract with each agent appointed by the Department in connection with the registration of motor vehicles and issuance of license plates must provide for compensation based upon the reasonable value of the services of the agent but must not exceed \$2 for each registration. An authorized inspection station or authorized station that issues certificates of registration pursuant to NRS 482.281 is not entitled to receive compensation from the Department pursuant to this subsection.
- Sec. 18. NRS 482.170 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.170 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, 481.063, 483.651, 483.655, 483.657 and 485.316 [...] and section 8 of this act, all personal information in the records of registration and





licensing in the offices of the Department is confidential and must not knowingly be disclosed by the Department.

**Sec. 19.** NRS 482.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.175 The Department and the officers and deputies thereof [and], authorized third parties and registered dealers shall examine, and to the best of their ability determine the genuineness and regularity of, every registration and transfer of registration of a vehicle as provided in this chapter, in order that every certificate issued for a vehicle must contain true statements of the ownership thereof, and to prevent the registration of a vehicle by any person not entitled thereto. The Department, an authorized third party or a registered dealer may require any applicant to furnish such information in addition to that contained in the application as may be necessary to satisfy the Department of the truth and regularity of the application.

**Sec. 20.** NRS 482.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.205 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter and NRS 706.188, every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer intended to be operated upon any highway in this State shall, before the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer can be operated, apply to the Department, *an authorized third party* or a registered dealer for and obtain the registration thereof.

**Sec. 21.** NRS 482.206 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.206 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 482.2065, every motor vehicle, except for a motor vehicle that is registered pursuant to the provisions of NRS 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive, and except for a full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 or a moped registered pursuant to NRS 482.2155, must be registered for a period of 12 consecutive months beginning the day after the first registration by the owner in this State.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 7 and 8 and NRS 482.2065, every vehicle registered by an agent of the Department, *an authorized third party* or a registered dealer must be registered for 12 consecutive months beginning the first day of the month after the first registration by the owner in this State.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 and NRS 482.2065, a vehicle which must be registered through the Motor Carrier Division of the Department, or a motor vehicle which has a declared gross weight in excess of 26,000 pounds, must be registered for a period of 12 consecutive months beginning on the date established by the Department by regulation.
- 4. Upon the application of the owner of a fleet of vehicles, the Director may permit the owner to register the fleet on the basis of a calendar year.





- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3, 6, 7 and 8, when the registration of any vehicle is transferred pursuant to NRS 482.399, the expiration date of each regular license plate, special license plate or substitute decal must, at the time of the transfer of registration, be advanced for a period of 12 consecutive months beginning:
- (a) The first day of the month after the transfer, if the vehicle is transferred by an agent of the Department; or
  - (b) The day after the transfer in all other cases,
- → and a credit on the portion of the fee for registration and the governmental services tax attributable to the remainder of the current period of registration must be allowed pursuant to the applicable provisions of NRS 482.399.
- 6. When the registration of any trailer that is registered for a 3-year period pursuant to NRS 482.2065 is transferred pursuant to NRS 482.399, the expiration date of each license plate or substitute decal must, at the time of the transfer of the registration, be advanced, if applicable pursuant to NRS 482.2065, for a period of 3 consecutive years beginning:
- (a) The first day of the month after the transfer, if the trailer is transferred by an agent of the Department; or
  - (b) The day after the transfer in all other cases,
- → and a credit on the portion of the fee for registration and the governmental services tax attributable to the remainder of the current period of registration must be allowed pursuant to the applicable provisions of NRS 482.399.
- 7. A full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 is registered until the date on which the owner of the full trailer or semitrailer:
  - (a) Transfers the ownership of the full trailer or semitrailer; or
- (b) Cancels the registration of the full trailer or semitrailer and surrenders the license plates to the Department [...] or an authorized third party.
- 8. A moped that is registered pursuant to NRS 482.2155 is registered until the date on which the owner of the moped:
  - (a) Transfers the ownership of the moped; or
- (b) Cancels the registration of the moped and surrenders the license plate to the Department ... or an authorized third party.
  - Sec. 22. NRS 482.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.215 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155, all applications for registration, except applications for renewal of registration, must be made as provided in this section.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.294, applications for all registrations, except renewals of registration, must be made in





person, if practicable, to any office or agent of the Department, to an authorized third party or to a registered dealer.

- 3. Each application must be made upon the appropriate form furnished by the Department and contain:
- (a) The signature of the owner, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 482.294, if applicable.
  - (b) The owner's residential address.

- (c) The owner's declaration of the county where he or she intends the vehicle to be based, unless the vehicle is deemed to have no base. The Department shall use this declaration to determine the county to which the governmental services tax is to be paid.
- (d) A brief description of the vehicle to be registered, including the name of the maker, the engine, identification or serial number, whether new or used, and the last license number, if known, and the state in which it was issued, and upon the registration of a new vehicle, the date of sale by the manufacturer or franchised and licensed dealer in this State for the make to be registered to the person first purchasing or operating the vehicle.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, if the applicant is not an owner of a fleet of vehicles or a person described in subsection 5:
- (1) Proof satisfactory to the Department, *authorized third party* or registered dealer that the applicant carries insurance on the vehicle provided by an insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State as required by NRS 485.185; and
- (2) A declaration signed by the applicant that he or she will maintain the insurance required by NRS 485.185 during the period of registration. If the application is submitted by electronic means pursuant to NRS 482.294, the applicant is not required to sign the declaration required by this subparagraph.
- (f) If the applicant is an owner of a fleet of vehicles or a person described in subsection 5, evidence of insurance provided by an insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State as required by NRS 485.185:
- (1) In the form of a certificate of insurance on a form approved by the Commissioner of Insurance;
- (2) In the form of a card issued pursuant to NRS 690B.023 which identifies the vehicle or the registered owner of the vehicle; or
- (3) In another form satisfactory to the Department, including, without limitation, an electronic format authorized by NRS 690B.023.





- → The Department may file that evidence, return it to the applicant or otherwise dispose of it.
- (g) If required, evidence of the applicant's compliance with controls over emission.
- (h) If the application for registration is submitted via the Internet, a statement which informs the applicant that he or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2 for each vehicle registered for the Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c). The application form must state in a clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required for registration, and must include a method by which the applicant must indicate his or her intention to opt in or opt out of making such a contribution.
- 4. The application must contain such other information as is required by the Department , *authorized third party* or registered dealer and must be accompanied by proof of ownership satisfactory to the Department.
- 5. For purposes of the evidence required by paragraph (f) of subsection 3:
- (a) Vehicles which are subject to the fee for a license and the requirements of registration of the Interstate Highway User Fee Apportionment Act, and which are based in this State, may be declared as a fleet by the registered owner thereof on his or her original application for or application for renewal of a proportional registration. The owner may file a single certificate of insurance covering that fleet.
- (b) Other fleets composed of 10 or more vehicles based in this State or vehicles insured under a blanket policy which does not identify individual vehicles may each be declared annually as a fleet by the registered owner thereof for the purposes of an application for his or her original or any renewed registration. The owner may file a single certificate of insurance covering that fleet.
- (c) A person who qualifies as a self-insurer pursuant to the provisions of NRS 485.380 may file a copy of his or her certificate of self-insurance.
- (d) A person who qualifies for an operator's policy of liability insurance pursuant to the provisions of NRS 485.186 and 485.3091 may file or provide electronic evidence of that insurance.
- **Sec. 23.** NRS 482.2155 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.2155 1. The owner of a moped shall, before the moped may be operated upon any highway in this State, apply to the Department *or an authorized third party* for and obtain registration





thereof. The application must be made upon the appropriate form as prescribed by the Department.

- 2. An application for the registration of a moped pursuant to this section must include:
- (a) The signature and residential address of the owner of the moped.
- (b) The owner's declaration of the county where he or she intends the moped to be based, unless the moped is deemed to have no base. The Department shall use this declaration to determine the county to which the governmental services tax is to be paid.
- (c) A brief description of the moped to be registered, including the name of the maker, the engine, identification or serial number, whether new or used, and, upon the registration of a new moped, the date of sale by the manufacturer or franchised and licensed dealer in this State for the make to be registered to the person first purchasing or operating the moped.
- (d) Proof of ownership satisfactory to the Department [.] or an authorized third party.
- 3. An application for the registration of a moped pursuant to subsection 2 must be accompanied by:
  - (a) The registration fee required pursuant to NRS 482.480.
- (b) The governmental services tax imposed pursuant to chapter 371 of NRS, as provided in NRS 482.260.
- (c) The fees for a license plate and an inspection required pursuant to this section.
- 4. An applicant for the registration of a moped pursuant to this section who resides in a county where an office of the Department or an authorized third party with a physical location is located must, at an office of the Department or the physical location of an authorized third party in that county, allow the Department or the authorized third party to inspect the moped for verification that the moped meets the definition of "moped" as provided in NRS 482.069. The Department may by regulation establish a fee for such an inspection.
- 5. An applicant for the registration of a moped pursuant to this section who resides in a county where no office of the Department or authorized third party with a physical location is located must allow the Department or an authorized third party to inspect the moped, as specified in subsection 4, at an office of the Department or the physical location of an authorized third party in another county or, in lieu of an inspection by the Department [.] or an authorized third party, allow a sheriff or deputy sheriff of the county in which the applicant resides to inspect the moped for verification that the moped meets the definition of "moped" as provided in NRS 482.069. A sheriff or deputy sheriff shall, upon the





request of the applicant, conduct such an inspection and transmit his or her determination, in writing, to the Department *or an authorized third party, as requested by the applicant*, and may collect the fee established by the Department pursuant to subsection 4 for such an inspection. All fees collected pursuant to this subsection must be accounted for as provided in subsection 6 of NRS 248.275.

6. As soon as practicable after the Department :

(a) Receives or authorized third party receives the application and fees required by this section, [; and

— (b) Conducts the inspection required by subsection 4 or 5 or receives the alternative written determination from a sheriff or deputy sheriff that is authorized by subsection 5.

the Department or authorized third party shall, if the inspection by the Department or an authorized third party or the written determination from a sheriff or deputy sheriff that is authorized by subsection 5 confirms that the moped meets the definition of "moped" as provided in NRS 482.069, issue a license plate and certificate of registration to the owner of the moped.

- 7. The fee for the issuance of a license plate pursuant to this section is \$5, which must be allocated to the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Special License Plates, created by NRS 482.1805, to defray the costs of manufacturing license plates pursuant to this section.
- 8. The registration issued pursuant to this section is not renewable or transferable, and a moped that is registered pursuant to this section is registered until the date on which the owner of the moped:
  - (a) Transfers the ownership of the moped; or
- (b) Cancels the registration of the moped and surrenders the license plate to the Department ... or an authorized third party.
- 9. The Department *or an authorized third party* may, upon proof of ownership satisfactory to it, issue a certificate of title before the registration of a moped pursuant to this section. A certificate of title issued pursuant to this subsection is valid until cancelled by the Department upon the transfer of interest therein.

**Sec. 24.** NRS 482.225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.225 1. When application is made to the Department *or an authorized third party* for registration of a vehicle purchased outside this State and not previously registered within this State where the registrant or owner at the time of purchase was not a resident of or employed in this State, the Department, [or] its agent *or the authorized third party* shall determine and collect any sales or use tax due and shall remit the tax to the Department of Taxation except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.260.





- 2. If the registrant or owner of the vehicle was a resident of the State, or employed within the State, at the time of the purchase of that vehicle, it is presumed that the vehicle was purchased for use within the State and the representative or agent of the Department of Taxation shall collect the tax and remit it to the Department of Taxation.
- 3. Until all applicable taxes and fees are collected, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall refuse to register the vehicle.
- 4. In any county whose population is less than 55,000, the Department shall designate the county assessor as the agent of the Department for the collection of any sales or use tax.
- 5. If the registrant or owner desires to refute the presumption stated in subsection 2 that he or she purchased the vehicle for use in this State, the registrant or owner must pay the tax to the Department *or authorized third party* and then may submit a claim for exemption in writing, signed by the registrant or owner or his or her authorized representative, to the Department together with a claim for refund of tax erroneously or illegally collected.
- 6. If the Department finds that the tax has been erroneously or illegally collected, the tax must be refunded.
- **Sec. 25.** NRS 482.230 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.230 The Department, *an authorized third party* or a registered dealer shall not grant an application for the registration of a vehicle in any of the following events:
- 1. When the applicant therefor is not entitled thereto pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
- 2. When the applicant has neglected or refused to furnish the Department, *authorized third party* or registered dealer with the information required in the appropriate official form or reasonable additional information required by the Department, *authorized third party* or registered dealer.
  - 3. When the fees required therefor by law have not been paid.
- 4. When the applicant for the registration of a commercial motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating, a combined gross vehicle weight rating, a gross vehicle weight or a combined gross vehicle weight in excess of 26,000 pounds and which is intended to operate in intrastate commerce is a motor carrier who:
  - (a) Has not complied with NRS 482.2912; or
  - (b) Is subject to an out-of-service order.
  - Sec. 26. NRS 482.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.231 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall not register a motor vehicle if a local authority has filed with the Department a notice stating that the owner of the motor vehicle:





- (a) Was cited by a constable pursuant to subsection 6 of NRS 258.070 for failure to comply with the provisions of NRS 482.385; and
- (b) After the imposition of punishment pursuant to NRS 482.385, has failed to pay the fee charged by the constable pursuant to subsection 6 of NRS 258.070.
- 2. The Department shall, upon request, furnish to the owner of the motor vehicle a copy of the notice of nonpayment described in subsection 1.
- 3. The Department *or authorized third party* may register a motor vehicle for which the Department has received a notice of nonpayment described in subsection 1 if:
  - (a) The Department *or authorized third party* receives:
- (1) A receipt from the owner of the motor vehicle which indicates that the owner has paid the fee charged by the constable; or
- (2) Notification from the applicable local authority that the owner of the motor vehicle has paid the fee charged by the constable; and
- (b) The owner of the motor vehicle otherwise complies with the requirements of this chapter for the registration of the motor vehicle.
  - **Sec. 27.** NRS 482.235 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.235 1. The Department shall file each application received and register the vehicle therein described and the owner thereof in suitable books or on index cards as follows:
- (a) Under a distinctive registration number assigned to the vehicle and to the owner thereof, referred to in this chapter as the registration number.
  - (b) Alphabetically under the name of the owner.
- (c) Numerically under the serial or vehicle identification number of the vehicle or a permanent identifying number, as may be determined by the Department.
- 2. A registered dealer *or authorized third party* who registers a vehicle shall assign a registration number for that vehicle according to a list of registration numbers issued by the Department for use by that dealer or authorized third party.
  - Sec. 28. NRS 482.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.240 1. Upon the registration of a vehicle, the Department , *an authorized third party* or a registered dealer shall issue a certificate of registration to the owner.
- 2. When an applicant for registration or transfer of registration is unable, for any reason, to submit to the Department *or an authorized third party* in support of the application for registration, or transfer of registration, such documentary evidence of legal ownership as, in the opinion of the Department [ or authorized]





**third party** is sufficient to establish the legal ownership of the vehicle concerned in the application for registration or transfer of registration, the Department **or authorized third party** may issue to the applicant only a certificate of registration.

3. The Department may, upon proof of ownership satisfactory to it or pursuant to NRS 482.2605, issue a certificate of title before the registration of the vehicle concerned. The certificate of registration issued pursuant to this chapter is valid only during the registration period or calendar year for which it is issued, and a certificate of title is valid until cancelled by the Department or authorized third party upon the transfer of interest therein.

**Sec. 29.** NRS 482.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.245 1. The certificate of registration must contain upon the face thereof the date issued, the registration number assigned to the vehicle, the name and address of the registered owner, the county where the vehicle is to be based unless it is deemed to have no base, a description of the registered vehicle and such other statement of facts as may be determined by the Department [.] or an authorized third party.

The certificate of title must contain upon the face thereof the date issued, the name and address of the registered owner and the owner or lienholder, if any, a description of the vehicle, any entries required by NRS 482.423 to 482.428, inclusive, a reading of the vehicle's odometer as provided to the Department or an authorized third party by the person making the sale or transfer, the word "rebuilt" if it is a rebuilt vehicle, the information required pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 482.247 if the certificate of title is a certificate of title in beneficiary form pursuant to NRS 482.247 and such other statement of facts as may be determined by the Department : or an authorized third party. The reverse side of the certificate of title must contain forms for notice to the Department or an authorized third party of a transfer of the title or interest of the owner or lienholder and application for registration by the transferee. If a new certificate of title is issued for a vehicle, it must contain the same information as the replaced certificate, except to the extent that the information has changed after the issuance of the replaced certificate. Except as otherwise required by federal law, the certificate of title of a vehicle which the Department or an authorized third party knows to have been stolen must not contain any statement or other indication that the mileage specified in the certificate or registered on the odometer is anything other than the actual mileage traveled by the vehicle, in the absence of proof that the odometer of the vehicle has been disconnected, reset or altered.



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**Sec. 30.** NRS 482.247 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.247 1. The owner or joint owners of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer may request the Department *or an authorized third party* to issue a certificate of title in beneficiary form for the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, as applicable, which includes a directive to the Department to transfer the certificate of title upon the death of the owner or upon the death of all joint owners to a beneficiary named on the face of the certificate of title.

- 2. A request made pursuant to subsection 1 must be submitted on an application made available by the Department *or an authorized third party* and accompanied by the fee for the issuance of a certificate of title.
- 3. A certificate of title in beneficiary form may not be issued to a person who holds an interest in a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer as a tenant in common with another person.
- 4. A certificate of title in beneficiary form must include after the name of the owner or after the names of joint owners the words "transfer on death to" or the abbreviation "TOD" followed by the name of the beneficiary.
- 5. During the lifetime of a sole owner or before the death of the last surviving joint owner:
- (a) The signature or consent of the beneficiary is not required for any transaction relating to a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer for which a certificate of title in beneficiary form has been issued; and
- (b) The certificate of title in beneficiary form may be revoked or the beneficiary changed at any time by:
- (1) Sale of the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer with proper assignment and delivery of the certificate of title to another person; or
- (2) Filing an application with, and paying a fee to, the Department *or an authorized third party* to reissue the certificate of title with no designation of a beneficiary or with the designation of a different beneficiary.
- 6. The interest of the beneficiary in a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer on the death of the sole owner or on the death of the last surviving joint owner is subject to any contract of sale, assignment or ownership or security interest to which the owner or owners of the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer were subject during their lifetime.
- 7. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of subsection 5, the designation of a beneficiary in a certificate of title in beneficiary form may not be changed or revoked by will, any other instrument or a change in circumstances, or otherwise changed or revoked.
  - 8. The Department *or authorized third party* shall, upon:





- (a) Proof of death of one of the owners, of two or more joint owners or of a sole owner;
- (b) Surrender of the outstanding certificate of title in beneficiary form; and
  - (c) Application and payment of the fee for a certificate of title,
- issue a new certificate of title for the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer to the surviving owner or owners or, if none, to the beneficiary, subject to any security interest.
- 9. For the purposes of complying with the provisions of subsection 8, the Department *or authorized third party* may rely on a death certificate, record or report that constitutes prima facie evidence of death.
- 10. The transfer on death of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer pursuant to this section is not considered as testamentary and is not subject to administration pursuant to the provisions of title 12 of NRS.
  - 11. As used in this section:

- (a) "Beneficiary" means a person or persons designated to become the owner or owners of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer on the death of the preceding owner or owners.
- (b) "Certificate of title in beneficiary form" means a certificate of title of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer that indicates the present owner or owners of the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer and designates a beneficiary.
  - Sec. 31. NRS 482.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.260 1. When registering a vehicle, the Department and its agents, *an authorized third party* or a registered dealer shall:
- (a) Collect the fees for license plates and registration as provided for in this chapter.
- (b) Collect the governmental services tax on the vehicle, as agent for the State and for the county where the applicant intends to base the vehicle for the period of registration, unless the vehicle is deemed to have no base.
- (c) Collect the applicable taxes imposed pursuant to chapters 372, 374, 377 and 377A of NRS.
  - (d) Issue a certificate of registration.
- (e) If the registration is performed by the Department [] or an authorized third party, issue the regular license plate or plates.
- (f) If the registration is performed by a registered dealer, provide information to the owner regarding the manner in which the regular license plate or plates will be made available to the owner.
- 2. Upon proof of ownership satisfactory to the Director or as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2605, the Director shall cause to be issued a certificate of title as provided in this chapter.





- 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 371.070 and subsections 6, 7 and 8, every vehicle being registered for the first time in Nevada must be taxed for the purposes of the governmental services tax for a 12-month period.
- 4. The Department shall deduct and withhold 2 percent of the taxes collected pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 and remit the remainder to the Department of Taxation.
- 5. A registered dealer *and an authorized third party* shall forward all fees and taxes collected for the registration of vehicles to the Department.
- 6. A trailer being registered pursuant to NRS 482.2065 must be taxed for the purposes of the governmental services tax for a 3-year period.
- 7. A full trailer or semitrailer being registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 must be taxed for the purposes of the governmental services tax in the amount of \$86. The governmental services tax paid pursuant to this subsection is nontransferable and nonrefundable.
- 8. A moped being registered pursuant to NRS 482.2155 must be taxed for the purposes of the governmental services tax for only the 12-month period following the registration. The governmental services tax paid pursuant to this subsection is nontransferable and nonrefundable.
  - Sec. 32. NRS 482.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.265 1. The Department *or authorized third party* shall furnish to every owner whose vehicle is registered two license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or moped and one license plate for all other vehicles required to be registered hereunder. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155, upon renewal of registration, the Department *or authorized third party* may issue one or more license plate stickers, tabs or other suitable devices in lieu of new license plates.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2065, 482.266, 482.2705, 482.274, 482.379 and 482.37091, every 8 years the Department shall reissue a license plate or plates at the time of renewal of each license plate or plates issued pursuant to this chapter. The Director may adopt regulations to provide procedures for such reissuance.
- 3. The Director shall have the authority to require the return to the Department of all number plates upon termination of the lawful use thereof by the owner under this chapter.
- 4. Except as otherwise specifically provided by statute, for the issuance of each special license plate authorized pursuant to this chapter:





- (a) The fee to be received by the Department for the initial issuance of the special license plate is \$35, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate funds for a particular cause or charitable organization;
- (b) The fee to be received by the Department for the renewal of the special license plate is \$10, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate financial support for a particular cause or charitable organization; and
- (c) The Department shall not design, prepare or issue a special license plate unless, within 4 years after the date on which the measure authorizing the issuance becomes effective, it receives at least 250 applications for the issuance of that plate.
- 5. The provisions of subsection 4 do not apply to NRS 482.37901.
- **Sec. 33.** NRS 482.2655 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.2655 1. If, with respect to a motor vehicle that is required to comply with the provisions of NRS 445B.700 to 445B.815, inclusive, and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto, an authorized inspection station or authorized station tests the emissions from the motor vehicle and the motor vehicle fails the emissions test, the Department *or authorized third party* shall not issue a special license plate for that vehicle pursuant to NRS 482.381, 482.3812, 482.3814 or 482.3816 for a period of 90 days after the motor vehicle fails the emissions test.
  - 2. As used in this section:
- (a) "Authorized inspection station" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 445B.710.
- (b) "Authorized station" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 445B.720.
- (c) "Fails the emissions test" means that a motor vehicle does not comply with the applicable provisions of NRS 445B.700 to 445B.815, inclusive, and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
  - **Sec. 34.** NRS 482.266 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.266 1. A person who desires to have regular or personalized license plates that are substantially in the same color and form as license plates manufactured before January 1, 1982, must:
- (a) Submit a written request for such license plates to the Department *or an authorized third party* in a manner and form prescribed by the Department; and
- (b) In addition to all other applicable registration fees, licensing fees and governmental services taxes, pay the manufacturing fee prescribed by the Department.
- → A person requesting license plates pursuant to this section must comply with all requirements for registration and licensing pursuant





to this chapter. A request for license plates pursuant to this section does not, by itself, constitute a request for special license plates pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 482.265.

- 2. After receiving a request and the full amount of the payment due for license plates requested pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall manufacture the license plates using substantially the same process, dies and materials as were used to manufacture license plates before January 1, 1982. The Department *or the authorized third party* shall deliver license plates requested pursuant to this section to a person who requests such license plates within 180 days after acceptance of the written request or after receipt of payment therefor, whichever occurs last.
  - 3. The Department shall:

- (a) Prescribe, by regulation, a manner and form for submitting a written request pursuant to subsection 1. The form must include, without limitation, an indication of whether the requester desires to have the same letters and numbers on the license plates requested as are on the license plates that are registered to the requester at the time of the request.
- (b) Determine the cost of manufacturing a license plate pursuant to this section and prescribe a manufacturing fee, which must not exceed \$25, to defray the cost of manufacturing license plates pursuant to this section. The manufacturing fee must be:
- (1) Collected by the Department [;] or an authorized third party;
- (2) Deposited with the State Treasurer to the credit of the State Highway Fund; and
- (3) Allocated to the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Special License Plates created pursuant to NRS 482.1805 to defray the costs of manufacturing license plates pursuant to this section.
- 4. A person who requests license plates pursuant to this section may keep the license plates which are registered to him or her at the time of the request if the license plates requested contain the same letters and numbers as the license plates which are registered to the person at the time of the request.
- 5. License plates issued pursuant to this section which were manufactured on or after January 1, 1982, and before June 30, 2015, are not subject to reissue pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 482.265.
  - **Sec. 35.** NRS 482.268 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.268 1. In addition to any other applicable fee, there must be paid to the Department *or an authorized third party* for each license plate issued for a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, to defray the cost of producing the license plate:
- (a) A fee of 50 cents which must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Fund for Prison Industries; and





- (b) Such fee as may be determined by regulation of the Department, which must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the License Plate Production Account.
- 2. The License Plate Production Account is hereby created in the State Highway Fund. The Account is a continuing account without reversion. Interest and income earned on money in the Account must be credited to the Account. The money in the Account must be used only to defray the cost of producing license plates, as described in subsection 1.
  - **Sec. 36.** NRS 482.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section or by specific statute, the Director shall order the redesign and preparation of motor vehicle license plates.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department *or an authorized third party* may, upon the payment of all applicable fees, issue redesigned motor vehicle license plates.
- 3. The Department *or an authorized third party* shall not issue redesigned motor vehicle license plates pursuant to this section to a person who was issued motor vehicle license plates before January 1, 1982, or pursuant to NRS 482.2155, 482.3747, 482.3763, 482.3783, 482.379 or 482.37901, without the approval of the person.
- 4. The Director may determine and vary the size, shape and form and the material of which license plates are made, but each license plate must be of sufficient size to be plainly readable from a distance of 100 feet during daylight. All license plates must be treated to reflect light and to be at least 100 times brighter than conventional painted number plates. When properly mounted on an unlighted vehicle, the license plates, when viewed from a vehicle equipped with standard headlights, must be visible for a distance of not less than 1,500 feet and readable for a distance of not less than 110 feet.
  - 5. Every license plate must have displayed upon it:
- (a) The registration number, or combination of letters and numbers, assigned to the vehicle and to the owner thereof;
  - (b) The name of this State, which may be abbreviated;
  - (c) If issued for a calendar year, the year; and
- (d) If issued for a registration period other than a calendar year, the month and year the registration expires.
- 6. Each special license plate that is designed, prepared and issued pursuant to NRS 482.367002 must be designed and prepared in such a manner that:
- (a) The left-hand one-third of the plate is the only part of the plate on which is displayed any design or other insignia that is





suggested pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 2 of that section; and

- (b) The remainder of the plate conforms to the requirements for lettering and design that are set forth in this section.
  - **Sec. 37.** NRS 482.271 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.271 1. The Director shall order the preparation of decals which are adhesive strips treated to reflect light and designed to fit in the spaces reserved for the names of counties on vehicle license plates for passenger cars and trucks. Each decal must display the name of a county in prominent block lettering.
- 2. The decals described in subsection 1 may be purchased for display on license plates in the spaces reserved for them. They must be available for purchase upon request, in person or by mail, in every office *of the Department or authorized third party* where motor vehicle license plates may be purchased.
- 3. The fee for a decal is \$0.50, which must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund and allocated to the Department to defray the cost of manufacturing the decals.
  - **Sec. 38.** NRS 482.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.275 1. The license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, moped or motor vehicle being transported by a licensed vehicle transporter must be attached thereto, one in the rear and, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, one in the front. The license plate issued for all other vehicles required to be registered must be attached to the rear of the vehicle. The license plates must be so displayed during the current calendar year or registration period.
- 2. If the motor vehicle was not manufactured to include a bracket, device or other contrivance to display and secure a front license plate, and if the manufacturer of the motor vehicle provided no other means or method by which a front license plate may be displayed upon and secured to the motor vehicle:
- (a) One license plate must be attached to the motor vehicle in the rear; and
- (b) The other license plate may, at the option of the owner of the vehicle, be attached to the motor vehicle in the front.
- 3. The provisions of subsection 2 do not relieve the Department *or an authorized third party* of the duty to issue a set of two license plates as otherwise required pursuant to NRS 482.265 or other applicable law and do not entitle the owner of a motor vehicle to pay a reduced tax or fee in connection with the registration or transfer of the motor vehicle. If the owner of a motor vehicle, in accordance with the provisions of subsection 2, exercises the option





to attach a license plate only to the rear of the motor vehicle, the owner shall:

(a) Retain the other license plate; and

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- (b) Insofar as it may be practicable, return or surrender both plates to the Department as a set when required by law to do so.
- 4. Every license plate must at all times be securely fastened to the vehicle to which it is assigned so as to prevent the plate from swinging and at a height not less than 12 inches from the ground, measuring from the bottom of such plate, in a place and position to be clearly visible, and must be maintained free from foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible.
- 5. Any license plate which is issued to a vehicle transporter or a dealer, rebuilder or manufacturer may be attached to a vehicle owned or controlled by that person by a secure means. No license plate may be displayed loosely in the window or by any other unsecured method in any motor vehicle.

**Sec. 39.** NRS 482.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155, the registration of every vehicle expires at midnight on the day specified on the receipt of registration, unless the day specified falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. If the day specified on the receipt of registration is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the registration of the vehicle expires at midnight on the next judicial day. The Department shall mail to each holder of a certificate of registration a notification for renewal of registration for the following period of registration. The notifications must be mailed by the Department in sufficient time to allow all applicants to mail the notifications to the Department or to renew the certificate of registration with an authorized third party, at a kiosk or authorized inspection station or via the Internet or an interactive response system and to receive new certificates of registration and license plates, stickers, tabs or other suitable devices by mail before the expiration of their registrations. An applicant may present or submit the notification to *an authorized third party or* any agent or office of the Department.

- 2. A notification:
- (a) Mailed or presented to the Department, *an authorized third party* or [to] a county assessor pursuant to the provisions of this section;
  - (b) Submitted to the Department pursuant to NRS 482.294; or
- (c) Presented to an authorized inspection station or authorized station pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.281,
- must include, if required, evidence of compliance with standards for the control of emissions.





- 3. The Department shall include with each notification mailed pursuant to subsection 1:
- (a) The amount of the governmental services tax to be collected pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.260.
- (b) The amount set forth in a notice of nonpayment filed with the Department by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484B.527.
  - (c) A statement which informs the applicant:
- (1) That, pursuant to NRS 485.185, the applicant is legally required to maintain insurance during the period in which the motor vehicle is registered which must be provided by an insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State; and
- (2) Of any other applicable requirements set forth in chapter 485 of NRS and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- (d) A statement which informs the applicant that, if the applicant renews a certificate of registration *with an authorized third party*, at a kiosk or via the Internet, he or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2 for each vehicle registration renewed for the Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215. The notification must state in a clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required for registration.
- (e) Any amount due for reissuance of a license plate or a plate reissued pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 482.265, if applicable.
- 4. An application for renewal of a certificate of registration submitted at a kiosk or via the Internet must include a statement which informs the applicant that he or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2, for each vehicle registration which is renewed at a kiosk or via the Internet, for the Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215. The application must state in a clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required for registration, and must include a method by which the applicant must indicate his or her intention to opt in or opt out of making such a contribution.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2918, an owner who has made proper application for renewal of registration before the expiration of the current registration but who has not received the license plate or plates or card of registration for the ensuing





period of registration is entitled to operate or permit the operation of that vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon the license plate or plates issued for the preceding period of registration for such a time as may be prescribed by the Department as it may find necessary for the issuance of the new plate or plates or card of registration.

**Sec. 40.** NRS 482.2805 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.2805 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department of Motor Vehicles *or an authorized third party* shall not renew the registration of a motor vehicle if a local authority has filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles a notice of nonpayment pursuant to NRS 484B.527, or if the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership has filed a notice of nonpayment pursuant to section 42 of the Boulder City Bypass Toll Road Demonstration Project Act, unless, at the time for renewal of the registration, the registered owner of the motor vehicle provides to the Department of Motor Vehicles *or an authorized third party* a receipt issued by the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership.

2. If the registered owner provides a receipt to the Department of Motor Vehicles *or an authorized third party* pursuant to subsection 1 and complies with the other requirements of this chapter, the Department of Motor Vehicles *or authorized third party* shall renew the registration of the motor vehicle.

3. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall renew the registration of a motor vehicle owned by a short-term lessor for which the Department of Motor Vehicles has received a notice of nonpayment pursuant to NRS 484B.527 or section 42 of the Boulder City Bypass Toll Road Demonstration Project Act without requiring the short-term lessor to provide a receipt pursuant to subsection 1 if the short-term lessor submits to the Department of Motor Vehicles a certificate issued by a local authority, the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership pursuant to subsection 4.

4. A local authority, the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership shall, upon request, issue to a short-term lessor a certificate which requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to renew the registration of a motor vehicle owned by the short-term lessor without requiring the short-term lessor to provide a receipt pursuant to subsection 1 if the short-term lessor provides the local authority, the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership with the name, address and number of the driver's





license of the short-term lessee who was leasing the vehicle at the time of the violation.

- 5. Upon the request of the registered owner of a motor vehicle, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide a copy of the notice of nonpayment filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by the local agency pursuant to NRS 484B.527 or the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership pursuant to section 42 of the Boulder City Bypass Toll Road Demonstration Project Act.
- 6. If the registration of a motor vehicle that is identified in a notice of nonpayment filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484B.527 or the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership pursuant to section 42 of the Boulder City Bypass Toll Road Demonstration Project Act is not renewed for two consecutive periods of registration, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall delete any records maintained by the Department of Motor Vehicles concerning that notice [.] and direct each authorized third party to delete any such corresponding records.
- 7. The Department of Motor Vehicles may require a local authority to pay a fee for the creation, maintenance or revision of a record of the Department of Motor Vehicles concerning a notice of nonpayment filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by the local authority pursuant to NRS 484B.527. The Department of Motor Vehicles may require the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership to pay a fee for the creation, maintenance or revision of a record of the Department of Motor Vehicles concerning a notice of nonpayment filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by the Department of Transportation or a private partner under a public-private partnership pursuant to section 42 of the Boulder City Bypass Toll Road Demonstration Project Act. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall, by regulation, establish any fee required by this subsection. Any fees collected by the Department pursuant to this subsection must be:
- (a) Deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund; and
- (b) Allocated to the Department to defray the cost of carrying out the provisions of this section.

**Sec. 41.** NRS 482.283 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.283 Each holder of a valid registration, upon changing his or her name or place of residence, shall notify the Department *or an authorized third party* of the change within 30 days after the change and shall include in the notice both the old and new names and residence addresses.





**Sec. 42.** NRS 482.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.285 1. If any certificate of registration or certificate of title is lost, mutilated or illegible, the person to whom it was issued shall immediately make application for and obtain a duplicate or substitute therefor upon furnishing information satisfactory to the Department *or an authorized third party* and upon payment of the required fees. An applicant who is unable to furnish information satisfactory to the Department *or authorized third party* that the applicant is entitled to a duplicate or substitute certificate of title pursuant to this subsection may obtain a new certificate of title pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.2605.

- 2. If any license plate or plates or any decal is lost, mutilated or illegible, the person to whom it was issued shall immediately make application for and obtain:
  - (a) A duplicate number plate or a substitute number plate;
  - (b) A substitute decal; or

- (c) A combination of both (a) and (b),
- → as appropriate, upon furnishing information satisfactory to the Department *or an authorized third party* and payment of the fees required by NRS 482.500.
- 3. If any license plate or plates or any decal is stolen, the person to whom it was issued shall immediately make application for and obtain:
  - (a) A substitute number plate;
  - (b) A substitute decal; or
  - (c) A combination of both (a) and (b),
- ⇒ as appropriate, upon furnishing information satisfactory to the Department *or an authorized third party* and payment of the fees required by NRS 482.500.
- 4. The Department *or an authorized third party* shall issue duplicate number plates or substitute number plates and, if applicable, a substitute decal, if the applicant:
- (a) Returns the mutilated or illegible plates to the Department *or an authorized third party* or signs a declaration that the plates were lost, mutilated or illegible; and
  - (b) Complies with the provisions of subsection 6.
- 5. The Department *or an authorized third party* shall issue substitute number plates and, if applicable, a substitute decal, if the applicant:
  - (a) Signs a declaration that the plates were stolen; and
  - (b) Complies with the provisions of subsection 6.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an applicant who desires duplicate number plates or substitute number plates must make application for renewal of registration. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 or 8 of NRS 482.260, credit





must be allowed for the portion of the registration fee and governmental services tax attributable to the remainder of the current registration period. In lieu of making application for renewal of registration, an applicant may elect to make application solely for:

- (a) Duplicate number plates or substitute number plates, and a substitute decal, if the previous license plates were lost, mutilated or illegible; or
- (b) Substitute number plates and a substitute decal, if the previous license plates were stolen.
- 7. An applicant who makes the election described in subsection 6 retains the current date of expiration for the registration of the applicable vehicle and is not, as a prerequisite to receiving duplicate number plates or substitute number plates or a substitute decal, required to:
- (a) Submit evidence of compliance with controls over emission; or
- (b) Pay the registration fee and governmental services tax attributable to a full period of registration.
  - **Sec. 43.** NRS 482.293 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.293 1. The Department may establish a program for the electronic submission and storage of documents.
- 2. If the Department establishes a program pursuant to subsection 1:
- (a) An electronic submission or storage of documents that is carried out pursuant to the program with respect to a particular transaction is not valid unless all original documents required for the transaction pursuant to:
  - (1) The provisions of 49 U.S.C. §§ 32701 et seq.; and
- (2) The provisions of any regulations adopted pursuant thereto,
- → have been executed and submitted to the Department.
- (b) The Department shall allow only the following persons to apply for participation in the program:
- (1) Financial institutions, new vehicle dealers and used vehicle dealers, for the purpose of submitting documents by electronic means to the Department on behalf of their customers.
  - (2) Owners of fleets composed of 10 or more vehicles.
  - (3) Authorized third parties.
- (c) The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the program.
- 3. The regulations required to be adopted pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 2 must include, without limitation:
- (a) The type of electronic transmission that the Department will accept for the program.





- (b) The process for submission of an application by a person who desires to participate in the program and the fee, if any, that must accompany the application for participation.
- (c) The criteria that will be applied by the Department in determining whether to approve an application to participate in the program.
- (d) The standards for ensuring the security and integrity of the process for issuance and renewal of a certificate of registration and a certificate of title, including, without limitation, the procedure for a financial and performance audit of the program.
- (e) The terms and conditions for participation in the program and any restrictions on the participation.
- (f) The contents of a written agreement that must be on file with the Department before a participant may submit a document by electronic means to the Department. Such written agreement must include, without limitation:
- (1) An assurance that each document submitted by electronic means contains all the information that is necessary to complete the transaction for which the document is submitted;
- (2) Certification that all the information contained in each document that is submitted by electronic means is truthful and accurate;
- (3) An assurance that the participant who submits a document by electronic means will maintain all information and records that are necessary to support the document; and
- (4) The signature of the participant who files the written agreement with the Department.
- (g) The conditions under which the Department may revoke the approval of a person to participate in the program, including, without limitation, failure to comply with this section and NRS 482.294 and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- (h) The method by which the Department will store documents that are submitted to it by electronic means.
- (i) The required technology that is necessary to carry out the program.
- (j) Any other regulations that the Department determines necessary to carry out the program.
  - (k) Procedures to ensure compliance with:
    - (1) The provisions of 49  $\hat{U}$ .S.C. §§ 32701 et seq.; and
- 40 (2) The provisions of any regulations adopted pursuant 41 thereto,
  - → to the extent that such provisions relate to the submission and retention of documents used for the transfer of the ownership of vehicles.





4. The Department may accept gifts and grants from any source, including, without limitation, donations of materials, equipment and labor, for the establishment and maintenance of a program pursuant to this section.

**Sec. 44.** NRS 482.294 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.294 1. If the Department approves an application for a person to participate in a program established pursuant to NRS 482.293, that participant may submit, by electronic means, a document that is required to be submitted pursuant to this chapter for the issuance or renewal of a certificate of registration or a certificate of title.

- 2. If the signature of a natural person is required pursuant to this chapter on a document that is submitted by electronic means, the Department may waive that requirement:
- (a) In the case of a participant who is *an authorized third party*, a financial institution, new vehicle dealer or used vehicle dealer, if the participant who submitted the document on behalf of that person complies with all requirements of this program.
- (b) In the case of a participant who is an owner of a fleet composed of 10 or more vehicles, if the participant complies with all requirements of this program.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a document that is submitted by electronic means pursuant to subsection 1, if accepted by the Department, shall be deemed an original document in administrative proceedings, quasi-judicial proceedings and judicial proceedings.

**Sec. 45.** NRS 482.385 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 482.385 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 5 and 7 and NRS 482.390 and 482.3961, a nonresident owner of a vehicle of a type subject to registration pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, owning any vehicle which has been registered for the current year in the state, country or other place of which the owner is a resident and which at all times when operated in this State has displayed upon it the registration license plate issued for the vehicle in the place of residence of the owner, may operate or permit the operation of the vehicle within this State without its registration in this State pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and without the payment of any registration fees to this State:
- (a) For a period of not more than 30 days in the aggregate in any 1 calendar year; and
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), during any period in which the owner is:
- (1) On active duty in the military service of the United States;
  - (2) An out-of-state student;





- (3) Registered as a student at a college or university located outside this State and who is in the State for a period of not more than 6 months to participate in a work-study program for which the student earns academic credits from the college or university; or
  - (4) A migrant or seasonal farm worker.
  - 2. This section does not:

- (a) Prohibit the use of manufacturers', distributors' or dealers' license plates issued by any state or country by any nonresident in the operation of any vehicle on the public highways of this State.
- (b) Require registration of vehicles of a type subject to registration pursuant to the provisions of this chapter operated by nonresident common motor carriers of persons or property, contract motor carriers of persons or property, or private motor carriers of property as stated in NRS 482.390.
- (c) Require registration of a vehicle operated by a border state employee.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, when a person, formerly a nonresident, becomes a resident of this State, the person shall:
  - (a) Within 30 days after becoming a resident; or
  - (b) At the time he or she obtains a driver's license,
- whichever occurs earlier, apply for the registration of each vehicle the person owns which is operated in this State. When a person, formerly a nonresident, applies for a driver's license in this State, the Department shall inform the person of the requirements imposed by this subsection and of the penalties that may be imposed for failure to comply with the provisions of this subsection.
- 4. A citation may be issued pursuant to subsection 1, 3 or 5 only if the violation is discovered when the vehicle is halted or its driver arrested for another alleged violation or offense. The Department shall maintain or cause to be maintained a list or other record of persons who fail to comply with the provisions of subsection 3 and shall [, at least once each month,] provide a copy of that list or record to [the]:
  - (a) Every authorized third party at least once each day; and
- (b) The Department of Public Safety [.] at least once each month.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 482.3961, a resident or nonresident owner of a vehicle of a type subject to registration pursuant to the provisions of this chapter who engages in a trade, profession or occupation or accepts gainful employment in this State or who enrolls his or her children in a public school in this State shall, within 30 days after the commencement of such employment or enrollment, apply for the registration of each vehicle the person owns which is operated in





this State. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a nonresident who is:

- (a) On active duty in the military service of the United States;
- (b) An out-of-state student;

- (c) Registered as a student at a college or university located outside this State and who is in the State for a period of not more than 6 months to participate in a work-study program for which the student earns academic credits from the college or university; or
  - (d) A migrant or seasonal farm worker.
- 6. A person who violates the provisions of subsection 1, 3 or 5 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, shall be punished by a fine of \$1,000. The fine imposed pursuant to this subsection is in addition to any fine or penalty imposed for the other alleged violation or offense for which the vehicle was halted or its driver arrested pursuant to subsection 4. The fine imposed pursuant to this subsection may be reduced to not less than \$200 if the person presents evidence at the time of the hearing that the person has registered the vehicle pursuant to this chapter.
- 7. Any resident operating upon a highway of this State a motor vehicle which is owned by a nonresident and which is furnished to the resident operator for his or her continuous use within this State, shall cause that vehicle to be registered within 30 days after beginning its operation within this State.
- 8. A person registering a vehicle pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 or pursuant to NRS 482.390:
- (a) Must be assessed the registration fees and governmental services tax, as required by the provisions of this chapter and chapter 371 of NRS; and
- (b) Must not be allowed credit on those taxes and fees for the unused months of the previous registration.
- 9. If a vehicle is used in this State for a gainful purpose, the owner shall immediately apply to the Department *or an authorized third party* for registration, except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.390, 482.395, 482.3961 and 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive.
- 10. An owner registering a vehicle pursuant to the provisions of this section shall surrender the existing nonresident license plates and registration certificates to the Department *or authorized third party* for cancellation.
- 11. A vehicle may be cited for a violation of this section regardless of whether it is in operation or is parked on a highway, in a public parking lot or on private property which is open to the public if, after communicating with the owner or operator of the vehicle, the peace officer issuing the citation determines that:
  - (a) The owner of the vehicle is a resident of this State;





- (b) The vehicle is used in this State for a gainful purpose;
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of subsection 1, the owner of the vehicle is a nonresident and has operated the vehicle in this State for more than 30 days in the aggregate in any 1 calendar year; or
- (d) The owner of the vehicle is a nonresident required to register the vehicle pursuant to subsection 5.
- 12. A constable may issue a citation for a violation of this section only if the vehicle is located in his or her township at the time the citation is issued.
- 13. As used in this section, "peace officer" includes a constable.
  - **Sec. 46.** NRS 482.396 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.396 1. A person who is not a dealer, manufacturer or rebuilder may apply to the Department *or an authorized third party* for a permit to operate a vehicle which:
- (a) Is not subject to the provisions of NRS 482.390, 482.395 and 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive; and
- (b) Is not currently registered in this State, another state or a foreign country, or has been purchased by the applicant from a person who is not a dealer.
- 2. The Department shall adopt regulations imposing a fee for the issuance of the permit.
  - 3. Each permit must:

- (a) Bear the date of expiration in numerals of sufficient size to be plainly readable from a reasonable distance during daylight;
- (b) Expire at 5 p.m. not more than 60 days after its date of issuance:
- (c) Be affixed to the vehicle in the manner prescribed by the Department; and
- (d) Be removed and destroyed upon its expiration or the issuance of a new permit or a certificate of registration for the vehicle, whichever occurs first.
- 4. The Department *or an authorized third party* may authorize the issuance of more than one permit for the vehicle to be operated by the applicant.
  - **Sec. 47.** NRS 482.399 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.399 1. Upon the transfer of the ownership of or interest in any vehicle by any holder of a valid registration, or upon destruction of the vehicle, the registration expires.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155 and subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, the holder of the original registration may transfer the registration to another vehicle to be registered by the holder and use the same regular license plate or plates or special license plate or plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to





482.3823, inclusive, or 482.384, on the vehicle from which the registration is being transferred, if the license plate or plates are appropriate for the second vehicle, upon filing an application for transfer of registration and upon paying the transfer registration fee and the excess, if any, of the registration fee and governmental services tax on the vehicle to which the registration is transferred over the total registration fee and governmental services tax paid on all vehicles from which he or she is transferring ownership or interest. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.294, an application for transfer of registration must be made in person, if practicable, to any office or agent of the Department , to an authorized third party or to a registered dealer, and the license plate or plates may not be used upon a second vehicle until registration of that vehicle is complete.

- computing the governmental services Department, its agent, [or] the registered dealer or the authorized third party, as applicable, shall credit the portion of the tax paid on the first vehicle attributable to the remainder of the current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly basis against the tax due on the second vehicle or on any other vehicle of which the person is the registered owner. If any person transfers ownership or interest in two or more vehicles, the Department, for the registered dealer or the authorized third party, as applicable, shall credit the portion of the tax paid on all of the vehicles attributable to the remainder of the current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly basis against the tax due on the vehicle to which the registration is transferred or on any other vehicle of which the person is the registered owner. The certificates of registration and unused license plates of the vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or interest must be submitted before credit is given against the tax due on the vehicle to which the registration is transferred or on any other vehicle of which the person is the registered owner.
- 4. In computing the registration fee, the Department or its agent, [or] the registered dealer or the authorized third party, as applicable, shall credit the portion of the registration fee paid on each vehicle attributable to the remainder of the current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis against the registration fee due on the vehicle to which registration is transferred.
- 5. If the amount owed on the registration fee or governmental services tax on the vehicle to which registration is transferred is less than the credit on the total registration fee or governmental services tax paid on all vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or interest, the person may apply the unused portion of the credit to the registration of any other vehicle owned by the person. Any unused





portion of such a credit expires on the date the registration of the vehicle from which the person transferred the registration was due to expire.

- 6. If the license plate or plates are not appropriate for the second vehicle, the plate or plates must be surrendered to the Department, [or] registered dealer or authorized third party and an appropriate plate or plates must be issued by the Department [.] or the authorized third party. The Department shall not reissue the surrendered plate or plates until the next succeeding licensing period.
- 7. If application for transfer of registration is not made within 60 days after the destruction or transfer of ownership of or interest in any vehicle, the license plate or plates must be surrendered to the Department on or before the 60th day for cancellation of the registration.
- 8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 371.040, NRS 482.2155, subsections 7 and 8 of NRS 482.260 and subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, if a person cancels his or her registration and surrenders to the Department *or an authorized third party* the license plates for a vehicle, the Department shall:
- (a) In accordance with the provisions of subsection 9, issue to the person a refund of the portion of the registration fee and governmental services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the remainder of the current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis; or
- (b) If the person does not qualify for a refund in accordance with the provisions of subsection 9, issue to the person a credit in the amount of the portion of the registration fee and governmental services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the remainder of the current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis. Such a credit may be applied by the person to the registration of any other vehicle owned by the person. Any unused portion of the credit expires on the date the registration of the vehicle from which the person obtained a refund was due to expire.
- 9. The Department shall issue a refund pursuant to subsection 8 only if the request for a refund is made at the time the registration is cancelled and the license plates are surrendered, the person requesting the refund is a resident of Nevada, the amount eligible for refund exceeds \$100, and evidence satisfactory to the Department is submitted that reasonably proves the existence of extenuating circumstances. For the purposes of this subsection, the term "extenuating circumstances" means circumstances wherein:
- (a) The person has recently relinquished his or her driver's license and has sold or otherwise disposed of his or her vehicle.





- (b) The vehicle has been determined to be inoperable and the person does not transfer the registration to a different vehicle.
- (c) The owner of the vehicle is seriously ill or has died and the guardians or survivors have sold or otherwise disposed of the vehicle.
- (d) Any other event occurs which the Department, by regulation, has defined to constitute an "extenuating circumstance" for the purposes of this subsection.
  - **Sec. 48.** NRS 482.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.410 The transferee of a vehicle shall apply for a certificate of registration and pay the governmental services tax to the deputy registrar of motor vehicles in any county of this State [,] or to an authorized third party in the manner provided in this chapter for an original registration.
  - Sec. 49. NRS 482.426 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.426 When a used or rebuilt vehicle is sold in this State by a person who is not a dealer or rebuilder, the seller or buyer or both of them shall, within 10 days after the sale:
  - 1. Submit to the Department [:] or an authorized third party:
- (a) If a certificate of title has been issued in this State, the certificate properly endorsed.
- (b) If a certificate of title or other document of title has been issued by a public authority of another state, territory or country:
  - (1) The certificate or document properly endorsed; and
- (2) A statement containing, if not included in the endorsed certificate or document, the description of the vehicle, including whether it is a rebuilt vehicle, the names and addresses of the buyer and seller, and the name and address of any person who takes or retains a purchase money security interest. Any such statement must be signed and acknowledged by the seller and the buyer.
- (c) If no document of title has been issued by any public authority, a statement containing all the information and signed and acknowledged in the manner required by subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b).
- 2. Remit to the Department *or the authorized third party* the fee set forth in NRS 482.429 for the processing of an endorsed certificate of title or statement submitted to the Department *or authorized third party* pursuant to this section.
  - **Sec. 50.** NRS 482.427 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.427 1. Upon receipt of the documents required respectively by NRS 482.423, 482.424 and 482.426 to be submitted to it, and the payment of all required fees, the Department *or the authorized third party* shall issue a certificate of title.
- 2. If no security interest is created or exists in connection with the sale, the certificate of title must be issued to the buyer.





- 3. If a security interest is created by the sale, the certificate of title must be issued to the secured party or to his or her assignee.
  - **Sec. 51.** NRS 482.429 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.429 1. For its services under this chapter, the Department shall adopt regulations specifying the amount of the fees which the Department *or an authorized third party* will charge and collect:
- (a) For each certificate of title issued for a vehicle present or registered in this State.
  - (b) For each duplicate certificate of title issued.
- (c) For each certificate of title issued for a vehicle not present in or registered in this State.
- (d) For expedited processing of a certificate of title issued pursuant to paragraph (a), (b) or (c).
- (e) For expedited mailing of a certificate of title issued pursuant to paragraph (a), (b) or (c), that does not include prepaid postage.
- (f) For the processing of each dealer's or rebuilder's report of sale submitted to the Department.
- (g) For the processing of each long-term lessor's report of lease submitted to the Department.
- (h) For the processing of each endorsed certificate of title or statement submitted to the Department *or an authorized third party* upon the sale of a used or rebuilt vehicle in this State by a person who is not a dealer or rebuilder.
- 2. Any fee paid pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection 1 must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund and allocated to the Department to defray the costs of processing and mailing certificates of title.
  - **Sec. 52.** NRS 484B.527 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484B.527 1. If the registered owner of a motor vehicle fails to pay any civil penalty or criminal fine or any other charge imposed against the registered owner for a violation of:
  - (a) The provisions of NRS 484B.440 to 484B.523, inclusive; or
- (b) An ordinance of a local authority authorized by chapters 484A to 484E, inclusive, of NRS which covers the same subject matter as the provisions of NRS 484B.440 to 484B.523, inclusive,
- the local authority which imposed that penalty, fine or charge may file a notice of nonpayment with the Department.
  - 2. The notice must include:
  - (a) The time, place and date of each violation;
- (b) The number of the license plate of the vehicle and the make and model year of the vehicle;
- 42 (c) The amount of the fine and any other charge imposed for each violation;
  - (d) The total amount of money owed to the local authority for those violations; and





- (e) Any other information the Department may require.
- 3. The Department shall forward to each authorized third party a list of vehicles and license plates for which a notice has been received by the Department pursuant to this section.
- **4.** The Department shall adopt regulations which prescribe the form for the notice of nonpayment and any information which must be included in that notice.
  - **Sec. 53.** NRS 487.810 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 487.810 1. The state agency *or an authorized third party* may issue a salvage title for a vehicle, which contains a brief description of the vehicle, including, insofar as data may exist with respect to the vehicle, the make, type, serial number and motor number, or any other number of the vehicle, upon application, to:
  - (a) The owner of the vehicle;

- (b) The person to whom the vehicle is titled;
- (c) An insurance company that acquires the vehicle as a salvage vehicle pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 487.800; or
  - (d) A lienholder who acquires title to the vehicle.
- 2. A properly endorsed title, together with a disclosure of mileage, as required pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. §§ 32701 et seq. and 49 C.F.R. § 580.5, must be submitted with the application for salvage title.
- 3. Within 2 days after receiving all necessary documents, the state agency *or authorized third party* shall issue a salvage title for the vehicle.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the state agency *or authorized third party* shall charge and collect a fee of \$10 for the issuance of a salvage title pursuant to this section. The state agency shall not charge a fee for the issuance of a salvage title to an automobile wrecker licensed in this State. Fees collected by the state agency pursuant to this subsection must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Salvage Titles created by NRS 487.825.
- 5. Ownership interest in a salvage vehicle may not be transferred unless a salvage title has been issued by the state agency for the vehicle.
- 6. Possession of a salvage title does not entitle a person to dismantle, scrap, process or wreck any vehicle in this State unless the person holds a license issued pursuant to NRS 487.050.
- 7. The Department *or an authorized third party* shall not issue a salvage title for a nonrepairable vehicle.
  - **Sec. 54.** NRS 490.082 is hereby amended to read as follows: 490.082 1. An owner of an off-highway vehicle that is acquired:
    - (a) Before July 1, 2011:





- (1) May apply for, to the Department by mail or to an authorized dealer [,] or an authorized third party and obtain from the Department [,] or an authorized third party a certificate of title for the off-highway vehicle.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, shall, within 1 year after July 1, 2011, apply for, to the Department by mail or to an authorized dealer [,] or an authorized third party and obtain from the Department [,] or an authorized third party the registration of the off-highway vehicle.
- (b) On or after July 1, 2011, shall, within 30 days after acquiring ownership of the off-highway vehicle:
- (1) Apply for, to the Department by mail or to an authorized dealer [-] or an authorized third party, and obtain from the Department [-] or authorized third party a certificate of title for the off-highway vehicle.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, apply for, to the Department by mail or to an authorized dealer , or an authorized third party, and obtain from the Department , or authorized third party the registration of the off-highway vehicle pursuant to this section or NRS 490.0825.
- 2. If an owner of an off-highway vehicle applies to the Department, [or to] an authorized dealer *or an authorized third party* for:
- (a) A certificate of title for the off-highway vehicle, the owner shall submit to the Department, [or to] the authorized dealer or the authorized third party proof prescribed by the Department that he or she is the owner of the off-highway vehicle.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 490.0825, the registration of the off-highway vehicle, the owner shall submit:
- (1) If ownership of the off-highway vehicle was obtained before July 1, 2011, proof prescribed by the Department:
- (I) That he or she is the owner of the off-highway vehicle; and
- (II) Of the unique vehicle identification number, serial number or distinguishing number obtained pursuant to NRS 490.0835 for the off-highway vehicle; or
- (2) If ownership of the off-highway vehicle was obtained on or after July 1, 2011:
- (I) Evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she has paid all taxes applicable in this State relating to the purchase of the off-highway vehicle, or submit an affidavit indicating that he or she purchased the vehicle through a private party sale and no tax is due relating to the purchase of the off-highway vehicle; and
- (II) Proof prescribed by the Department that he or she is the owner of the off-highway vehicle and of the unique vehicle





identification number, serial number or distinguishing number obtained pursuant to NRS 490.0835 for the off-highway vehicle.

- 3. Registration of an off-highway vehicle is not required if the off-highway vehicle:
  - (a) Is owned and operated by:
    - (1) A federal agency;

- (2) An agency of this State; or
- (3) A county, incorporated city or unincorporated town in this State:
- (b) Is part of the inventory of a dealer of off-highway vehicles and is affixed with a special plate provided to the off-highway vehicle dealer pursuant to NRS 490.0827;
- (c) Is registered or certified in another state and is located in this State for not more than 15 days;
- (d) Is used solely for husbandry on private land or on public land that is leased to or used under a permit issued to the owner or operator of the off-highway vehicle;
- (e) Is used for work conducted by or at the direction of a public or private utility;
  - (f) Was manufactured before January 1, 1976;
- (g) Is operated solely in an organized race, festival or other event that is conducted:
  - (1) Under the auspices of a sanctioning body; or
- (2) By permit issued by a governmental entity having jurisdiction;
- (h) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), is operated or stored on private land or on public land that is leased to the owner or operator of the off-highway vehicle, including when operated in an organized race, festival or other event;
- (i) Is used in a search and rescue operation conducted by a governmental entity having jurisdiction; or
  - (j) Has a displacement of not more than 70 cubic centimeters.
- As used in this subsection, "sanctioning body" means an organization that establishes a schedule of racing events, grants rights to conduct those events and establishes and administers rules and regulations governing the persons who conduct or participate in those events.
- 4. The registration of an off-highway vehicle pursuant to this section or NRS 490.0825 expires 1 year after its issuance. If an owner of an off-highway vehicle fails to renew the registration of the off-highway vehicle before it expires, the registration may be reinstated upon the payment to the Department *or an authorized third party* of the annual renewal fee, a late fee of \$10 and, if applicable, proof of insurance required pursuant to NRS 490.0825. Any late fee collected by the Department *or an authorized third*





*party* must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Revolving Account for the Administration of Off-Highway Vehicle Titling and Registration created by NRS 490.085.

- 5. If a certificate of title or registration for an off-highway vehicle is lost or destroyed, the owner of the off-highway vehicle may apply to the Department by mail, or to an authorized dealer [,] or an authorized third party, for a duplicate certificate of title or registration. The Department or an authorized third party may collect a fee to replace a certificate of title or registration certificate, sticker or decal that is lost, damaged or destroyed. Any such fee collected by the Department or an authorized third party must be:
  - (a) Set forth by the Department by regulation; and
- (b) Deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Revolving Account for the Administration of Off-Highway Vehicle Titling and Registration created by NRS 490.085.
- 6. The provisions of subsections 1 to 5, inclusive, do not apply to an owner of an off-highway vehicle who is not a resident of this State.
- **Sec. 55.** NRS 490.0825 is hereby amended to read as follows: 490.0825 1. Upon the request of an owner of a large all-terrain vehicle, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall register the large all-terrain vehicle to operate on the roads specified in NRS 490.105.
- 2. The owner of a large all-terrain vehicle wishing to apply for registration or renewal of registration pursuant to this section must obtain and maintain insurance on the vehicle that meets the requirements of NRS 485.185.
- 3. If an owner of a large all-terrain vehicle applies to the Department *or an authorized third party* for the registration of the vehicle pursuant to this section, the owner shall submit to the Department of authorized third party:
- (a) The information required for registration pursuant to NRS 490.082:
  - (b) The fee for registration required pursuant to NRS 490.084;
- (c) Proof satisfactory to the Department *or the authorized third party* that the applicant carries insurance on the vehicle provided by an insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State which meets the requirements of NRS 485.185; and
- (d) A declaration signed by the applicant that he or she will maintain the insurance required by this section during the period of registration.
- **Sec. 56.** NRS 108.365 is hereby amended to read as follows: 108.365 Any person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor who knowingly:





- 1. Makes or causes to be made a false entry on any affidavit of lien sale or on any lien sale registration certificate for a motor vehicle:
- 2. Makes or causes to be made a false entry on a certificate of title as to ownership or any security interest that may exist in a motor vehicle:
- 3. Fails to disclose any information which would indicate that a vehicle sold or offered for sale is or should be considered a salvage or nonrepairable vehicle; or
- 4. Falsifies or causes to be falsified an application or other document submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles *or an authorized third party, as defined in section 7 of this act,* to obtain:
  - (a) A certificate of title or ownership; or
- (b) A salvage title or a certificate which indicates that the vehicle is nonrepairable as defined in chapter 487 of NRS.
  - **Sec. 57.** NRS 281.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 281.050 1. The residence of a person with reference to his or her eligibility to any office is the person's actual residence within the State, county, district, ward, subdistrict or any other unit prescribed by law, as the case may be, during all the period for which residence is claimed by the person.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, if any person absents himself or herself from the jurisdiction of that person's actual residence with the intention in good faith to return without delay and continue such actual residence, the period of absence must not be considered in determining the question of residence.
- 3. If a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for any elective office moves the person's actual residence out of the State, county, district, ward, subdistrict or any other unit prescribed by law, as the case may be, in which the person is required actually, as opposed to constructively, to reside in order for the person to be eligible to the office, a vacancy is created thereby and the appropriate action for filling the vacancy must be taken.
- 4. Once a person's actual residence is fixed, the person shall be deemed to have moved the person's actual residence for the purposes of this section if:
- (a) The person has acted affirmatively and has actually removed himself or herself from the place of permanent habitation where the person actually resided and was legally domiciled;
- (b) The person has an intention to abandon the place of permanent habitation where the person actually resided and was legally domiciled; and





- (c) The person has an intention to remain in another place of permanent habitation where the person actually resides and is legally domiciled.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 293.1265, the district court has jurisdiction to determine the question of residence in any preelection action for declaratory judgment brought against a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for any elective office. If the question of residence relates to whether an incumbent meets any qualification concerning residence required for the term of office in which the incumbent is presently serving, the district court does not have jurisdiction to determine the question of residence in an action for declaratory judgment brought by a person pursuant to this section but has jurisdiction to determine the question of residence only in an action to declare the office vacant that is authorized by NRS 283.040 and brought by the Attorney General or the appropriate district attorney pursuant to that section.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.1265, if in any preelection action for declaratory judgment, the district court finds that a person who has filed a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for any elective office fails to meet any qualification concerning residence required for the office pursuant to the Constitution or laws of this State, the person is subject to the provisions of NRS 293.2045.
- 7. For the purposes of this section, in determining whether a place of permanent habitation is the place where a person actually resides and is legally domiciled:
- (a) It is the public policy of this State to avoid sham residences and to ensure that the person actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in the area prescribed by law for the office so the person has an actual connection with the constituents who reside in the area and has particular knowledge of their concerns.
- (b) The person may have more than one residence but only one legal domicile, and the person's legal domicile requires both the fact of actual living in the place and the intention to remain there as a permanent residence. If the person temporarily leaves the person's legal domicile, or leaves for a particular purpose, and does not take up a permanent residence in another place, then the person's legal domicile has not changed. Once the person's legal domicile is fixed, the fact of actual living in another place, the intention to remain in the other place and the intention to abandon the former legal domicile must all exist before the person's legal domicile can change.
- (c) Evidence of the person's legal domicile includes, without limitation:





- (1) The place where the person lives the majority of the time and the length of time the person has lived in that place.
- (2) The place where the person lives with the person's spouse or domestic partner, if any.
- (3) The place where the person lives with the person's children, dependents or relatives, if any.
- (4) The place where the person lives with any other individual whose relationship with the person is substantially similar to a relationship with a spouse, domestic partner, child, dependent or relative.
- (5) The place where the person's dogs, cats or other pets, if any, live.
- (6) The place listed as the person's residential address on the voter registration card issued to the person pursuant to NRS 293.517.
- (7) The place listed as the person's residential address on any driver's license or identification card issued to the person by the Department of Motor Vehicles, any passport or military identification card issued to the person by the United States or any other form of identification issued to the person by a governmental agency.
- (8) The place listed as the person's residential address on any registration for a motor vehicle issued to the person by the Department of Motor Vehicles *or an authorized third party* or any registration for another type of vehicle or mode of transportation, including, without limitation, any aircraft, vessels or watercraft, issued to the person by a governmental agency.
- (9) The place listed as the person's residential address on any applications for issuance or renewal of any license, certificate, registration, permit or similar type of authorization issued to the person by a governmental agency which has the authority to regulate an occupation or profession.
- (10) The place listed as the person's residential address on any document which the person is authorized or required by law to file or record with a governmental agency, including, without limitation, any deed, declaration of homestead or other record of real or personal property, any applications for services, privileges or benefits or any tax documents, forms or returns, but excluding the person's declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy.
- (11) The place listed as the person's residential address on any type of check, payment, benefit or reimbursement issued to the person by a governmental agency or by any type of company that provides insurance, workers' compensation, health care or medical benefits or any self-insured employer or third-party administrator.





- (12) The place listed as the person's residential address on the person's paycheck, paystub or employment records.
- (13) The place listed as the person's residential address on the person's bank statements, insurance statements, mortgage statements, loan statements, financial accounts, credit card accounts, utility accounts or other billing statements or accounts.
- (14) The place where the person receives mail or deliveries from the United States Postal Service or commercial carriers.
- (d) The evidence listed in paragraph (c) is intended to be illustrative and is not intended to be exhaustive or exclusive. The presence or absence of any particular type of evidence listed in paragraph (c) is not, by itself, determinative of the person's legal domicile, but such a determination must be based upon all the facts and circumstances of the person's particular case.
  - 8. As used in this section:

- (a) "Actual residence" means the place of permanent habitation where a person actually resides and is legally domiciled. If the person maintains more than one place of permanent habitation, the place the person declares to be the person's principal permanent habitation when filing a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy for any elective office must be the place where the person actually resides and is legally domiciled in order for the person to be eligible to the office.
- (b) "Authorized third party" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 7 of this act.
- (c) "Declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy" means a declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy filed pursuant to chapter 293 or 293C of NRS.
  - **Sec. 58.** NRS 371.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.020 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 1. "Authorized third party" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 7 of this act.
  - 2. "Department" means the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- [2.] 3. "Vehicle" means any vehicle required to be registered pursuant to the provisions of chapter 482 or 706 of NRS, except mobile homes as defined in NRS 482.067.
  - **Sec. 59.** NRS 371.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.040 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, the annual amount of the basic governmental services tax throughout the State is 4 cents on each \$1 of valuation of the vehicle as determined by the Department [-] or an authorized third party.
- 2. A full trailer or semitrailer registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 is subject to the basic governmental services tax





in the nonrefundable amount of \$86 each time such a full trailer or semitrailer is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483.

3. The amount of the basic governmental services tax imposed on a moped registered pursuant to NRS 482.2155 is 4 cents on each \$1 of valuation of the moped as determined by the Department *or an authorized third party* at the time of registration.

**Sec. 60.** NRS 371.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 371.050 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, valuation of vehicles must be determined by the Department *or an authorized third party* upon the basis of 35 percent of the manufacturer's suggested retail price in Nevada excluding options and extras, as of the time the particular make and model for that year is first offered for sale in Nevada.
- 2. If the Department *or authorized third party* is unable to determine the manufacturer's suggested retail price in Nevada with respect to any vehicle because the vehicle is specially constructed, or for any other reason, the Department *or authorized third party* shall determine the valuation upon the basis of 35 percent of the original retail price to the original purchaser of the vehicle as evidenced by such document or documents as the Department *or the authorized third party* may require.
  - 3. For each:

- (a) Bus, truck, truck-tractor or combination of vehicles having a declared gross weight of 10,000 pounds or more; and
- (b) Trailer or semitrailer having an unladen weight of 4,000 pounds or more,
- the Department *or authorized third party* may use 85 percent of the original purchaser's cost price in lieu of the manufacturer's suggested retail price.
- 4. If the Department *or authorized third party* is unable to determine the original manufacturer's suggested retail price in Nevada, or the original retail price to the purchaser, the Department *or authorized third party* may determine the original value of the vehicle on the basis of 50 cents per pound.
- 5. For motor carriers which register pursuant to the provisions of the Interstate Highway User Fee Apportionment Act, the Department may determine the original purchaser's cost price of the vehicle on the basis of its declared gross weight in a manner which the Department finds appropriate and equitable.
  - **Sec. 61.** NRS 371.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.060 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, subsection 2 of NRS 371.040 and NRS 482.2155, each vehicle must be depreciated by the Department *or an authorized third party* for the purposes of the annual governmental services tax according to the following schedule:





1		Percentage of
2	Age	Initial Value
3	-	
4	New	100 percent
5	1 year	95 percent
6	2 years	85 percent
7	3 years	75 percent
8	4 years	65 percent
9	5 years	55 percent
10	6 years	45 percent
11	7 years	35 percent
12	8 years	25 percent
13	9 years or more	15 percent
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2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3 of NRS 371.040, each bus, truck or truck-tractor having a declared gross weight of 10,000 pounds or more and each trailer or semitrailer having an unladen weight of 4,000 pounds or more must be depreciated by the Department *or an authorized third party* for the purposes of the annual governmental services tax according to the following schedule:

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Age	Initial Value
Name	100
New	
1 year	85 percent
2 years	69 percent
3 years	57 percent
4 years	47 percent
5 years	
6 years	
7 years	
8 years	<b>.</b>
9 years	
10 years or more	23 percent

- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the minimum amount of the governmental services tax:
- (a) On any trailer having an unladen weight of 1,000 pounds or less is \$3; and
  - (b) On any other vehicle is \$16.
- 4. For the purposes of this section, a vehicle shall be deemed a "new" vehicle if the vehicle has never been registered with the Department and has never been registered with the appropriate agency of any other state, the District of Columbia, any territory or





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possession of the United States or any foreign state, province or country.

- **Sec. 62.** NRS 371.101 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.101 1. Vehicles registered by surviving spouses, not to exceed the amount of \$1,000 determined valuation, are exempt from taxation, but the exemption must not be allowed to anyone but actual bona fide residents of this State, and must be filed in but one county in this State to the same family.
- 2. For the purpose of this section, vehicles in which the surviving spouse has any interest shall be deemed to belong entirely to that surviving spouse.
- 3. The person claiming the exemption shall file with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit declaring his or her residency and that the exemption has been claimed in no other county in this State for that year. The affidavit must be made before the county assessor or a notary public. After the filing of the original affidavit, the county assessor shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, mail a form for renewal of the exemption to the person each year following a year in which the exemption was allowed for that person. The form must be designed to facilitate its return by mail by the person claiming the exemption. If so requested by the person claiming the exemption, the county assessor may provide the form to the person by electronic means in lieu of by mail.
- 4. A surviving spouse is not entitled to the exemption provided by this section in any fiscal year beginning after any remarriage, even if the remarriage is later annulled.
- 5. Beginning with the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year, the monetary amount in subsection 1 must be adjusted for each fiscal year by adding to each amount the product of the amount multiplied by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (All Items) from December 2003 to the December preceding the fiscal year for which the adjustment is calculated.
  - **Sec. 63.** NRS 371.103 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.103 1. Vehicles, to the extent of \$2,000 determined valuation, registered by any actual bona fide resident of the State of Nevada who:
- (a) Has served a minimum of 90 days on active duty, who was assigned to active duty at some time between April 21, 1898, and June 15, 1903, or between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, or between December 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, or between June 25, 1950, and May 7, 1975, or between September 26, 1982, and December 1, 1987, or between October 23, 1983, and November 21, 1983, or between December 20, 1989, and January 31, 1990, or between August 2, 1990, and April 11, 1991,





or between December 5, 1992, and March 31, 1994, or between November 20, 1995, and December 20, 1996;

- (b) Has served a minimum of 90 continuous days on active duty none of which was for training purposes, who was assigned to active duty at some time between January 1, 1961, and May 7, 1975;
- (c) Has served on active duty in connection with carrying out the authorization granted to the President of the United States in Public Law 102-1; or
- (d) Has served on active duty in connection with a campaign or expedition for service in which a medal has been authorized by the Government of the United States, regardless of the number of days served on active duty,
- → and who received, upon severance from service, an honorable discharge or certificate of satisfactory service from the Armed Forces of the United States, or who, having so served, is still serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, is exempt from taxation.
- 2. In lieu of claiming the exemption from taxation set forth in subsection 1 in his or her name, a veteran may transfer the exemption to his or her current spouse. To transfer the exemption, the veteran must file an affidavit of transfer with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption would otherwise have been claimed. The affidavit of transfer must be made before an authorized employee of the Department or a notary public. If a veteran makes such a transfer:
- (a) The spouse of the veteran is entitled to the exemption in the same manner as if the spouse were the veteran;
- (b) The veteran is not entitled to the exemption for the duration of the transfer:
  - (c) The transfer expires upon the earlier of:
    - (1) The termination of the marriage;
    - (2) The death of the veteran; or
- (3) The revocation of the transfer by the veteran as described in paragraph (d); and
- (d) The veteran may, at any time, revoke the transfer of the exemption by filing with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit made before an authorized employee of the Department or a notary public.
- 3. For the purpose of this section, the first \$2,000 determined valuation of vehicles in which a person described in subsection 1 or 2 has any interest shall be deemed to belong to that person.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, a person claiming the exemption shall file annually with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit declaring that he or she is an actual bona fide





resident of the State of Nevada who meets all the other requirements of subsection 1 or 2, as applicable, and that the exemption is claimed in no other county in this State. The affidavit must be made before the county assessor or a notary public. After the filing of the original affidavit of exemption and after the transfer of the exemption, if any, pursuant to subsection 2, the county assessor shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, mail a form for:

(a) The renewal of the exemption; and

- (b) The designation of any amount to be credited to the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Southern Nevada or the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Northern Nevada established pursuant to NRS 417.145,
- → to the person who claimed the exemption each year following a year in which the exemption was allowed for that person. The form must be designed to facilitate its return by mail by the person claiming the exemption. If so requested by the person claiming the exemption, the county assessor may provide the form to the person by electronic means in lieu of by mail.
- 5. Persons in actual military service are exempt during the period of such service from filing annual affidavits of exemption and the Department shall grant exemptions to those persons on the basis of the original affidavits filed. In the case of any person who has entered the military service without having previously made and filed an affidavit of exemption, the affidavit may be filed in his or her behalf during the period of such service by any person having knowledge of the facts.
- 6. Before allowing any veteran's exemption pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall require proof of status of the veteran or, if a transfer has been made pursuant to subsection 2, proof of status of the veteran to whom the person claiming the exemption is married, and for that purpose shall require production of an honorable discharge or certificate of satisfactory service or a certified copy thereof, or such other proof of status as may be necessary.
- 7. If any person files a false affidavit or produces false proof to the Department [,] or an authorized third party, and as a result of the false affidavit or false proof a tax exemption is allowed to a person not entitled to the exemption, the person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.
- 8. Beginning with the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year, the monetary amounts in subsections 1 and 3 must be adjusted for each fiscal year by adding to each amount the product of the amount multiplied by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index (All Items)





from December 2003 to the December preceding the fiscal year for which the adjustment is calculated.

- **Sec. 64.** NRS 371.1035 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.1035 1. Any person who qualifies for an exemption pursuant to NRS 371.103 or 371.104 may, in lieu of claiming the exemption:
- (a) Pay to the Department *or an authorized third party* all or any portion of the amount by which the tax would be reduced if the person claimed the exemption; and
- (b) Direct the Department to deposit that amount for credit to the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Southern Nevada or the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Northern Nevada established pursuant to NRS 417.145.
- 2. Any person who wishes to waive his or her exemption pursuant to this section shall designate the amount to be credited to a Gift Account on a form provided by the Department [...] or an authorized third party.
- 3. The Department shall deposit any money received pursuant to this section with the State Treasurer for credit to the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Southern Nevada or the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Northern Nevada established pursuant to NRS 417.145. The State Treasurer shall not accept more than a total of \$2,000,000 for credit to a Gift Account pursuant to this section and NRS 361.0905 during any fiscal year.
  - **Sec. 65.** NRS 371.104 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 371.104 1. A bona fide resident of the State of Nevada who has incurred a permanent service-connected disability and has been honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States, or his or her surviving spouse, is entitled to a veteran's exemption from the payment of governmental services taxes on vehicles of the following determined valuations:
- (a) If he or she has a disability of 100 percent, the first \$20,000 of determined valuation.
- (b) If he or she has a disability of 80 to 99 percent, inclusive, the first \$15,000 of determined valuation.
- (c) If he or she has a disability of 60 to 79 percent, inclusive, the first \$10,000 of determined valuation.
- 2. In lieu of claiming the exemption from taxation set forth in subsection 1 in his or her name, a veteran may transfer the exemption to his or her current spouse. To transfer the exemption, the veteran must file an affidavit of transfer with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption would otherwise have been claimed. The affidavit of transfer must be made before an authorized employee of the Department or a notary public. If a veteran makes such a transfer:





- (a) The spouse of the veteran is entitled to the exemption in the same manner as if the spouse were the veteran;
- (b) The veteran is not entitled to the exemption for the duration of the transfer;
  - (c) The transfer expires upon the earlier of:
    - (1) The termination of the marriage;
    - (2) The death of the veteran; or

- (3) The revocation of the transfer by the veteran as described in paragraph (d); and
- (d) The veteran may, at any time, revoke the transfer of the exemption by filing with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit made before an authorized employee of the Department or a notary public.
- 3. For the purpose of this section, the first \$20,000 of determined valuation of vehicles in which a person described in subsection 1 or 2 has any interest shall be deemed to belong entirely to that person.
- 4. A person claiming the exemption shall file annually with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit declaring that he or she is a bona fide resident of the State of Nevada who meets all the other requirements of subsection 1 or 2, as applicable, and that the exemption is claimed in no other county within this State. After the filing of the original affidavit of exemption and after the transfer of the exemption, if any, pursuant to subsection 2, the county assessor shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, mail a form for:
  - (a) The renewal of the exemption; and
- (b) The designation of any amount to be credited to the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Southern Nevada or the Gift Account for the Veterans Home in Northern Nevada established pursuant to NRS 417.145,
- to the person who claimed the exemption each year following a year in which the exemption was allowed for that person. The form must be designed to facilitate its return by mail by the person claiming the exemption. If so requested by the person claiming the exemption, the county assessor may provide the form to the person by electronic means in lieu of by mail.
- 5. Before allowing any exemption pursuant to the provisions of this section, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall require proof of the veteran's status, and for that purpose shall require production of:





- (a) A certificate from the Department of Veterans Affairs that the veteran has incurred a permanent service-connected disability, which shows the percentage of that disability; and
  - (b) Any one of the following:

- (1) An honorable discharge;
- (2) A certificate of satisfactory service; or
- (3) A certified copy of either of these documents.
- 6. A surviving spouse claiming an exemption pursuant to this section must file with the Department *or an authorized third party* in the county where the exemption is claimed an affidavit declaring that:
- (a) The surviving spouse was married to and living with the veteran with a disability for the 5 years preceding his or her death;
- (b) The veteran with a disability was eligible for the exemption at the time of his or her death or, if not for a transfer of the exemption pursuant to subsection 2, would have been eligible for the exemption at the time of his or her death; and
  - (c) The surviving spouse has not remarried.
- The affidavit required by this subsection is in addition to the certification required pursuant to subsections 4 and 5. After the filing of the original affidavit required by this subsection, the county assessor shall, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, mail a form for renewal of the exemption to the person each year following a year in which the exemption was allowed for that person. The form must be designed to facilitate its return by mail by the person claiming the exemption. If so requested by the person claiming the exemption, the county assessor may provide the form to the person by electronic means in lieu of by mail.
- 7. If a tax exemption is allowed under this section to a person who qualifies for the tax exemption:
- (a) As a veteran or as the current spouse of a veteran who receives a transfer of an exemption pursuant to subsection 2, that person is not entitled to an exemption under NRS 371.103.
- (b) Solely as the surviving spouse of a veteran with a permanent service-connected disability, the allowance of a tax exemption under this section does not affect the eligibility of that person for an exemption under NRS 371.103.
- 8. If any person makes a false affidavit or produces false proof to the Department [,] or an authorized third party, and as a result of the false affidavit or false proof the person is allowed a tax exemption to which he or she is not entitled, the person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.
- 9. Beginning with the 2005-2006 Fiscal Year, the monetary amounts in subsections 1 and 3 must be adjusted for each fiscal year by adding to each amount the product of the amount multiplied by





the percentage increase in the consumer price inflation index from July 2003 to the July preceding the fiscal year for which the adjustment is calculated.

10. For the purposes of this section, "consumer price inflation index" means the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the United States Department of Labor or, if that index ceases to be published by the United States Department of Labor, the published index selected by the Department of Taxation pursuant to subsection 11 of NRS 361.091.

**Sec. 66.** NRS 371.106 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.106 1. Whenever any vehicle ceases to be exempt from taxation under NRS 371.101, 371.102, 371.103 or 371.104 because the owner no longer meets the requirements for the exemption provided in those sections, its owner shall immediately notify the Department *or an authorized third party* of the fact.

2. If a person fails to notify the Department *or an authorized third party* as required by subsection 1 and as a result of such failure is allowed a tax exemption to which he or she is not entitled, there shall be added to and collected with the tax otherwise due a penalty equal to double the amount of the tax. If the person's failure is fraudulent and results in his or her receiving a tax exemption to which he or she is not entitled, the person is also guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

**Sec. 67.** NRS 371.107 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.107 The county assessor of each county whose population is 55,000 or more is designated as an agent to assist the Department in administering the exemptions provided in this chapter, and shall, after establishing the validity of an application for an exemption, issue a certificate for use by the Department *or an authorized third party* to allow a claimant the appropriate exemption on his or her vehicle.

**Sec. 68.** NRS 371.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.120 The Department *or an authorized third party* shall collect the governmental services tax and issue to each person who pays the tax a receipt that sufficiently identifies the vehicle upon which the tax is paid.

**Sec. 69.** NRS 371.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.140 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and NRS 482.209 and 482.482, if the governmental services tax for a vehicle for the next period of registration is not paid before the expiration of the current period of registration for that vehicle, a penalty equal to 10 percent of the tax due, but not less than \$6, plus the amount of the delinquent tax, must be added to the governmental services tax due for the next period of registration, unless the





vehicle has not been operated on the highways since the expiration of the prior registration. The Department may retain any penalty so collected. If the payment is made to an authorized third party, the authorized third party must remit the penalty to the Department, and the Department may retain the penalty.

- 2. Evidence of the nonoperation of a vehicle must be made by an affidavit executed by a person having knowledge of the fact. The affidavit must accompany the application for renewal of registration.
- 3. The provisions of this section do not apply to vehicles registered pursuant to NRS 706.841.

**Sec. 70.** NRS 371.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.150 Upon receipt of an application for renewal of registration and an affidavit of nonoperation, the Department *or an authorized third party* shall collect the tax for the current registration year. No penalty shall be imposed if the Department *or the authorized third party* receives the application and affidavit within 30 days after the date of the first operation of the vehicle during the current registration year.

**Sec. 71.** NRS 371.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.180 If a transferee applies for a transfer of registration and it is determined by the Department *or an authorized third party* that penalties for the nonpayment of the governmental services tax accrued before the transfer of the vehicle, and that the transferee was not cognizant of the nonpayment of the governmental services tax for the current or prior years, and the whereabouts of the transferor or record owner are unknown, the Department *or authorized third party* may waive payment of the penalties upon payment of the governmental services taxes due.

**Sec. 72.** NRS 371.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.220 If the Department *or an authorized third party* erroneously collects any governmental services tax or penalty not required to be paid under the provisions of this chapter, the amount must be refunded to the person who paid it upon application therefor within 3 years after the date of the payment.

**Sec. 73.** NRS 371.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

371.230 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 371.1035, 482.180, 482.181 and 482.182, money collected by the Department *or an authorized third party* for governmental services taxes and penalties pursuant to the provisions of this chapter must be deposited with the State Treasurer to the credit of the Motor Vehicle Fund.

**Sec. 74.** NRS 445B.815 is hereby amended to read as follows: 445B.815 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, persons employed at branch offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles, [and] the offices of county assessors who are acting as





agents of the Department in the collection of fees for registration and authorized third parties shall not register:

- (a) A passenger car or light-duty motor vehicle which:
  - (1) Uses motor vehicle fuel or special fuel;
- (2) Is based in a county whose population is 100,000 or more; and
- (3) Requires inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770;
- (b) A heavy-duty motor vehicle having a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating which does not exceed 14,000 pounds, that:
  - (1) Uses diesel fuel;

- (2) Is based in a county whose population is 100,000 or more; and
- (3) Requires inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770;
  - (c) A heavy-duty motor vehicle that:
- (1) Uses motor vehicle fuel or special fuel, excluding diesel fuel:
- (2) Is based in a county whose population is 100,000 or more; and
- (3) Requires inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770; or
  - (d) A vehicle which:
- (1) Is based in an area of this State designated by the Commission; and
- (2) Requires inspection pursuant to the regulations adopted by the Commission under NRS 445B.770,
- until evidence of compliance with NRS 445B.700 to 445B.845, inclusive, has been provided.
- 2. An owner or lessee of a fleet of three or more vehicles may, upon application to the Department of Motor Vehicles, submit evidence of compliance for those motor vehicles in a manner determined by that Department.
- 3. As used in this section, "authorized third party" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 7 of this act.
- **Sec. 75.** NRS 445B.830 is hereby amended to read as follows: 445B.830 1. In areas of the State where and when a program is commenced pursuant to NRS 445B.770 to 445B.815, inclusive, the following fees must be paid to the Department of Motor Vehicles and accounted for in the Pollution Control Account, which is hereby created in the State General Fund:





(b) For each set of 25 forms certifying emission control compliance......\$150

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, and after deduction of the amounts distributed pursuant to subsection 4, money in the Pollution Control Account may, pursuant to legislative appropriation or with the approval of the Interim Finance Committee, be expended by the following agencies in the following order of priority:
- (a) The Department of Motor Vehicles to carry out the provisions of NRS 445B.770 to 445B.845, inclusive.
- (b) The State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to carry out the provisions of this chapter.
- (c) The State Department of Agriculture to carry out the provisions of NRS 590.010 to 590.150, inclusive.
- (d) Local air pollution control agencies in nonattainment or maintenance areas for an air pollutant for which air quality criteria have been issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 7408, for programs related to the improvement of the quality of the air.
- (e) The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency to carry out the provisions of NRS 277.200 with respect to the preservation and improvement of air quality in the Lake Tahoe Basin.
- 3. The Department of Motor Vehicles may prescribe by regulation routine fees for inspection at the prevailing shop labor rate, including, without limitation, maximum charges for those fees, and for the posting of those fees in a conspicuous place at an authorized inspection station or authorized station.
- 4. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall make quarterly distributions of money in the Pollution Control Account to local air pollution control agencies in nonattainment or maintenance areas for an air pollutant for which air quality criteria have been issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 7408. The distributions of money made to agencies in a county pursuant to this subsection must be made from an amount of money in the Pollution Control Account that is equal to one-sixth of the amount received for each form issued in the county pursuant to subsection 1.
- 5. Each local air pollution control agency that receives money pursuant to subsections 4 and 6 shall, not later than 45 days after the end of the fiscal year in which the money is received, submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Interim Finance Committee a report on the use of the money received.
- 6. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall make annual distributions of excess money in the Pollution Control Account to local air pollution control agencies in nonattainment or maintenance





areas for an air pollutant for which air quality criteria have been issued pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 7408, for programs related to the improvement of the quality of the air. The distributions of excess money made to local air pollution control agencies in a county pursuant to this subsection must be made in an amount proportionate to the number of forms issued in the county pursuant to subsection 1. As used in this subsection, "excess money" means the money in excess of \$1,000,000 remaining in the Pollution Control Account at the end of the fiscal year, after deduction of the amounts distributed pursuant to subsection 4 and any disbursements made from the Account pursuant to subsection 2.

- 7. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall provide for the creation of an advisory committee consisting of representatives of state and local agencies involved in the control of emissions from motor vehicles. The committee shall:
- (a) Establish goals and objectives for the program for control of emissions from motor vehicles;
  - (b) Identify areas where funding should be made available; and
- (c) Review and make recommendations concerning regulations adopted pursuant to NRS 445B.770.
- 8. The State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources shall ensure that the forms available from the Department pursuant to subsection 1, including, without limitation, any digital or electronic versions of those forms, use the same terms regarding the make, model and features of a vehicle as any other forms of the Department used for the inspection of vehicles required by this chapter or required or authorized by title 43 of NRS.
  - Sec. 76. NRS 706.4477 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.4477 1. If towing is requested by a person other than the owner, or an agent of the owner, of the motor vehicle or a law enforcement officer:
- (a) The person requesting the towing must be the owner of the real property from which the vehicle is towed or an authorized agent of the owner of the real property and must sign a specific request for the towing. For the purposes of this section, the operator is not an authorized agent of the owner of the real property.
- (b) The area from which the vehicle is to be towed must be appropriately posted in accordance with state or local requirements.
- 40 (c) Notice must be given to the appropriate law enforcement agency pursuant to state and local requirements.
- 42 (d) The operator may be directed to terminate the towing by a law enforcement officer.
  - 2. If, pursuant to subsection 1, the owner of the real property or authorized agent of the owner of the real property requests that a





vehicle be towed from a residential complex at which the vehicle is located, the owner of the real property or authorized agent of the owner:

(a) Must:

- (1) Meet the requirements of subsection 1.
- (2) If the vehicle is being towed pursuant to subparagraph (1), (2) or (3) of paragraph (b), notify the owner or operator of the vehicle of the tow not less than 48 hours before the tow by affixing to the vehicle a sticker which provides the date and time after which the vehicle will be towed.
  - (b) May only have a vehicle towed:
    - (1) Because of a parking violation:
- (2) If the vehicle is not registered pursuant to this chapter or chapter 482 of NRS or in any other state;
  - (3) If the registration of the vehicle:
- (I) Has been expired for not less than 60 days, if the vehicle is owned or operated by a resident of the residential complex or does not meet the requirements of sub-subparagraph (II); or
- (II) Is expired, if the owner of real property or authorized agent of the owner verifies that the vehicle is not owned or operated by a resident of the residential complex; or
  - (4) If the vehicle is:
- (I) Blocking a fire hydrant, fire lane or parking space designated for the handicapped; or
- (II) Posing an imminent threat of causing a substantial adverse effect on the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the residential complex.
- 3. If towing is requested by a county or city pursuant to NRS 244.3605 or 268.4122, as applicable:
- (a) Notice must be given to the appropriate law enforcement agency pursuant to state and local requirements.
- (b) The operator may be directed to terminate the towing by a law enforcement officer.
- 4. If towing is requested based on subparagraph (2) or (3) of paragraph (b) of subsection 2, the operator shall independently verify the registration status of the vehicle before towing the vehicle. The operator shall retain evidence of such verification for not less than 1 year. An operator who fails to comply with this subsection is responsible for the cost of removal and storage of the vehicle.
- 5. The registered owner of a motor vehicle towed pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, 2 or 3:
- (a) Is presumed to have left the motor vehicle on the real property from which the vehicle is towed; and





- (b) [Is] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, is responsible for the cost of removal and storage of the motor vehicle.
  - [5.] 6. The registered owner may rebut the presumption in subsection [4] 5 by showing that:
  - (a) The registered owner transferred the registered owner's interest in the motor vehicle:
  - (1) Pursuant to the provisions set forth in NRS 482.399 to 482.420, inclusive: or
  - (2) As indicated by a bill of sale for the vehicle that is signed by the registered owner; or
- (b) The vehicle is stolen, if the registered owner submits evidence that, before the discovery of the vehicle, the registered owner filed an affidavit with the Department or a written report with an appropriate law enforcement agency alleging the theft of the vehicle.
  - [6.] 7. As used in this section:

- (a) "Parking violation" means a violation of any:
  - (1) State or local law or ordinance governing parking; or
- (2) Parking rule promulgated by the owner or manager of the residential complex that applies to vehicles on the property of the residential complex.
- (b) "Residential complex" means a group of apartments, condominiums or townhomes intended for use as residential units and for which a common parking area is provided, regardless of whether each resident or unit has been assigned a specific parking space in the common parking area.
- **Sec. 77.** 1. The Legislative Auditor shall conduct an audit of the Department of Motor Vehicles which measures the accuracy of and the average time of completion for transactions related to the issuance of certificates of registration, certificates of title, license plates and permits authorized pursuant to NRS 482.396. The audit must include such measures for all methods by which such transactions are offered by the Department, including, without limitation, transactions conducted in person at an office of the Department or via a kiosk, the Internet website of the Department or an agent of the Department authorized pursuant to NRS 482.160.
- 2. The Legislative Auditor shall present a final written report of the audit to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission not later than July 1, 2020.
  - **Sec. 78.** This act becomes effective:
- 1. Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
  - 2. On July 1, 2020, for all other purposes.





- 3. Section 11 of this act expires by limitation on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who:
- (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or
- (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more children,
- → are repealed by the Congress of the United States.





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