

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 64(TRA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/16/11

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES STOLTZE AND KELLER, Costello, Neuman

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to permanent motor vehicle registration; and providing for an effective
2 date."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 * **Section 1.** AS 28.10.108(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) Except for a vehicle registered under AS 28.10.152 or 28.10.155, a vehicle
6 required to be registered under this chapter shall be registered under the procedures set
7 out in this section.

8 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.10 is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 **Sec. 28.10.155. Permanent motor vehicle registration.** (a) The owner of a
10 motor vehicle, other than a commercial motor vehicle, that is required to be registered
11 under this chapter may elect to permanently register the motor vehicle in lieu of
12 registration under AS 28.10.108 if the vehicle is at least eight years old. The
13 permanent registration expires when the owner transfers or assigns the owner's title or
14 interest in the vehicle. A permanent registration may not be renewed. On receiving the

proper application and fees, the department shall issue to the registered owner registration plates, tabs, and a permanent registration form.

(b) The fees for permanent registration must equal the fees that would be applicable if the motor vehicle were registered under AS 28.10.108, except that the permanent registration fee rate equals three times the rate established in AS 28.10.421, and the motor vehicle registration tax levied under AS 28.10.431, if any, equals three times the rate established in AS 28.10.431(b) or (j) or the rate established for permanent vehicle registration under AS 28.10.431(j). Except as provided in AS 28.10.423(b), the owner of a permanently registered motor vehicle is not required to pay other fees or taxes under this chapter.

* **Sec. 3.** AS 28.10.423 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(b) In addition to the permanent registration fee established in AS 28.10.155, a \$2 fee is imposed on the owner of each permanently registered motor vehicle required to be inspected under an emission control program established in AS 46.14.400 or 46.14.510. That fee shall be collected biennially.

* **Sec. 4.** AS 28.10.431(j) is amended to read:

(j) A municipality that imposes a motor vehicle registration tax as described under (a) of this section may also, by passage of an appropriate ordinance, (1) increase the scheduled amount of tax described under (b) or (l) of this section, or (2) establish a tax for a motor vehicle that is permanently registered under AS 28.10.155 [BY PASSAGE OF AN APPROPRIATE ORDINANCE]. A municipality that chooses to change the tax imposed under (b) or (l) of this section or establishes a tax for permanently registered motor vehicles shall file a written notice of the change with the department by January 1 of the year preceding the year in which the change in tax is to take effect. A municipality may not change the amount of the tax imposed under this section more than once every two years. The department may charge a municipality a one-time fee to cover the cost to the department of implementing a change under this subsection.

* **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.