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4 RFD: Ways and Means General Fund
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under current law, the Department of Revenue
9 collects a fee for issuing and processing certain
10 motor vehicle titles. This bill will increase the
11 fee for issuing and processing such titles.

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13 A BILL
14 TO BE ENTITLED
15 AN ACT

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17 Relating to motor vehicle titles; to increase the
18 fee for issuing and processing certain motor vehicle titles.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

20 Section 1. Section 32-8-6, Code of Alabama 1975, is
21 hereby amended to read as follows:

22 "§32-8-6.

23 "(a) There shall be paid to the department for
24 issuing and processing documents required by this chapter a
25 fee of ~~fifteen dollars (\$15)~~ twenty-five dollars (\$25) for
26 each of the following transactions:

27 "(1) Each application for certificate of title;

1 "(2) Each application for replacement or corrected
2 certificate of title;

3 "(3) Each application for certificate of title after
4 transfer;

5 "(4) Each notice of security interest;

6 "(5) Each assignment by lienholder;

7 "(6) Each application for ordinary certificate of
8 title upon surrender of a distinctive certificate; or

9 "(7) Each application for the title history on a
10 vehicle.

11 "(b) The designated agents shall add the sum of one
12 dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) for each transaction, as specified
13 in subsection (a), processed for which this fee is charged to
14 be retained as the agent's commission for services rendered,
15 and all other fees collected shall be remitted to the
16 department in a manner prescribed by the department.

17 "(c) If more than one transaction is involved in any
18 application on a single vehicle and if supported by all
19 required documents, the fee charged by the department and by
20 the designated agent for processing and issuing shall be
21 considered as only one transaction for which the designated
22 agent shall receive and retain one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50)
23 and shall collect and remit to the department ~~fifteen dollars~~
24 ~~(\$15)~~ twenty-five dollars (\$25).

25 "(d) Every transaction shall be accompanied by the
26 fee specified in this chapter, regardless of whether the title

1 is issued electronically or not, unless specifically exempted
2 by this chapter.

3 "(e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
4 section, when any motor vehicle record, as prescribed by the
5 department, is requested, other than a title history as
6 provided in subdivision (7) of subsection (a), and the record
7 is provided electronically or in the form of a printout of an
8 electronic record, the fee shall be five dollars (\$5). The
9 five dollar (\$5) fee shall be distributed as follows: Fifty
10 percent shall be distributed to the State General Fund and the
11 remaining 50 percent shall be retained by the department for
12 use solely by the Motor Vehicle Division of the department for
13 training and technological and processing improvements.

14 "(f) The department may establish and charge a fee
15 not greater than the fee provided in subsection (e) for motor
16 vehicle records obtained through the national motor vehicle
17 title information system and provided to end users. The fee
18 shall be retained by the department for use solely by the
19 motor division of the department for costs associated with
20 providing the records, training, and technological and
21 processing improvements.

22 "(g) All motor vehicle title records, registration
23 records, and any other motor vehicle records as designated by
24 the department containing personal information as defined
25 under state or federal law, rules, or regulations shall only
26 be released by the department in accordance with such laws,
27 rules, or regulations. The department may establish procedures

1 to insure that all motor vehicle record disclosures are
2 handled in a uniform manner.

3 "(h) The department may prescribe the method of
4 payment of any fees required under this chapter."

5 Section 2. This act shall become effective of the
6 first day of the third month following its passage and
7 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.