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SYNOPSIS:

This bill provides for an additional license tax and registration fee on motor vehicles and for the distribution of the proceeds to the Alabama Public Transportation Trust Fund.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Section 40-12-242, Code of Alabama 1975, relating to license taxes and registration fees; to levy an additional license tax and registration fee; and to provide for the distribution of the proceeds to the Alabama Public Transportation Trust Fund.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 40-12-242, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§40-12-242

(a) The following annual license taxes and registration fees are hereby imposed and shall be charged on each private passenger automobile operated on the public highways of this state and on each motorcycle operated on the public highways:

(1) For each private passenger automobile.....\$13.00



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29 (2) For each motorcycle.....\$7.00

30 No private passenger automobile and no motorcycle shall
31 be used on any public highway in the state unless the proper
32 license tag therefor has been procured and is securely
33 attached to the rear end thereof, the tag to be attached right
34 side up with the number thereof in an upright position and
35 plainly visible.

36 (b) (1) In addition to the annual license taxes and
37 registration fees imposed in subsection (a) and in this
38 article, there is hereby imposed and shall be charged:

39 a. An annual license tax and registration fee of
40 \$200.00 on each battery electric vehicle operated on the
41 public highways of this state; and

42 b. An annual license tax and registration fee of
43 \$100.00 on each plug-in hybrid electric vehicle operated on
44 the public highways of this state.

45 (2)a. A battery electric vehicle is defined as any
46 motor vehicle which draws propulsion energy solely or
47 primarily from onboard sources of stored electric energy from
48 a plug-in rechargeable electric energy storage system and
49 which does not include an internal combustion or heat engine
50 using combustible fuel.

51 b. A plug-in hybrid electric vehicle is defined as any
52 motor vehicle which draws propulsion energy from onboard
53 sources of stored electric energy that can be plugged into an
54 outlet or charging station, and which includes an internal
55 combustion or heat engine using combustible fuel.

56 (c) Beginning on July 1, 2023 and every fourth year



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57 thereafter, the additional license tax and registration fee
58 specified in subsection (b) shall increase by three dollars
59 (\$3).

60 (d) The annual battery electric vehicle fee imposed in
61 subdivision (b)(1) shall be reduced by the amount of any
62 future additional annual federal surcharge or registration fee
63 placed on a battery electric vehicle, and the annual plug-in
64 hybrid electric vehicle fee imposed in subdivision (b)(1)
65 shall be reduced by the amount of any future annual federal
66 surcharge or registration fee placed on a plug-in hybrid
67 electric vehicle, if the federal surcharge or registration fee
68 is used solely for highway transportation purposes in the
69 State of Alabama, but in no case shall the battery electric
70 vehicle fee be reduced to less than \$150 and the plug-in
71 hybrid electric vehicle fee be reduced to less than \$75.

72 (e) The Electric Transportation Infrastructure Grant
73 Program is created within the State Department of
74 Transportation. The program shall be administered, conducted,
75 and managed, and its funds shall be disbursed by, the State
76 Department of Transportation, which shall have all the powers,
77 authorities, rights, privileges, and titles necessary to
78 enable it to accomplish the purpose of the Electric
79 Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program. The State
80 Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to
81 adopt rules for the Electric Transportation Infrastructure
82 Grant Program including the solicitation, application,
83 evaluation, and selection of grant applicants, the
84 distribution of grants for electric vehicle charging



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113 subdivision (b) (1) shall be reduced to one hundred fifty
114 dollars (\$150) and seventy-five dollars (\$75), respectively,
115 and after such reduction the receipts shall be deposited into
116 the Rebuild Alabama Fund and distributed sixty-six and
117 sixty-seven one hundredths percent (66.67%) to the state,
118 twenty-five percent (25%) to the counties, and eight and
119 thirty-three one hundredths percent (8.33%) to the
120 municipalities to be used in the construction, reconstruction,
121 maintenance, and repair of public roads, highways, and bridges
122 in the state, and for any other purpose for which moneys in
123 the Rebuild Alabama Fund may be lawfully used. All previously
124 collected but unspent funds dedicated to the Electric
125 Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program shall continue to
126 be used to fund the Electric Transportation Infrastructure
127 Grant Program.

128 (g) The annual license taxes and registration fees
129 pursuant to the Rebuild Alabama Act shall be effective January
130 1, 2020.

131 (h) (1) Effective October 1, 2024, in addition to the
132 annual license taxes and registration fees imposed in
133 subsections (a) and (b) and in this article, there is hereby
134 imposed and charged an annual license tax and registration fee
135 of five dollars (\$5).

136 (2) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, all
137 proceeds of the annual license tax and registration fee
138 imposed and charged in subdivision (1) shall be deposited into
139 the Alabama Public Transportation Trust Fund, established in
140 Section 41-23-193, and used by the Alabama Department of



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141 Economic and Community Affairs to increase public
142 transportation options across the State of Alabama."

143 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first
144 day of the third month following its passage and approval by
145 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.