

SENATE BILL NO. 180—SENATORS BEERS AND WASHINGTON

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Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

SUMMARY—Provides the registered owner of a vehicle with the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the State Highway Fund at the time of the renewal of the registration. (BDR 43-696)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the registration of vehicles; providing the registered owner of a vehicle with the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the State Highway Fund at the time of the renewal of the registration of the vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 This bill provides a mechanism pursuant to which the registered owner of a
- 2 vehicle may, at the time of the renewal of the registration of the vehicle, contribute
- 3 voluntarily to the State Highway Fund an amount of money in excess of that
- 4 required to pay the license fees, registration fees and governmental services taxes
- 5 otherwise due for the renewal of the registration. The bill requires that money
- 6 donated pursuant to this new provision be used only for the construction,
- 7 maintenance and repair of the public highways of this State.



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

Section 1. Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. When the registered owner of a vehicle applies for the renewal of the registration of the vehicle, whether by mail, by way of the Internet, or in person at an office of the Department or through a designee of the Department, the Department shall provide to the registered owner or cause the registered owner to be provided with a document upon which the registered owner may indicate:

(a) That he wishes to remit voluntarily to the State of Nevada an amount of money in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes otherwise due for the renewal of the registration of the vehicle; and

(b) The amount of additional money that he wishes to remit voluntarily to the State.

2. If the registered owner of a vehicle indicates on the document described in subsection 1 that he wishes to remit voluntarily to the State of Nevada an amount of money in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes otherwise due for the renewal of the registration of the vehicle, the Department or its designee shall:

(a) Accept the remittance from the registered owner; and

(b) Deposit the remittance with the State Treasurer for credit to the State Highway Fund. The money deposited in the State Highway Fund pursuant to this paragraph must be used exclusively for the construction, maintenance and repair of the public highways of this State and must not be used to pay administrative expenses of any kind.

3. The Director, in cooperation with the Department of Taxation, shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section. The regulations must, without limitation, prescribe the form of the document described in subsection 1.

Sec. 2. NRS 482.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.280 1. 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 an application for renewal of registration for the following period of registration. The applications must be mailed by the Department in sufficient time to allow all applicants



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1 to mail the applications to the Department and to receive new
2 certificates of registration and license plates, stickers, tabs or other
3 suitable devices by mail before the expiration of their registrations.
4 An applicant may present or submit the application to any agent or
5 office of the Department.

6 2. An application:

7 (a) Mailed or presented to the Department or to a county
8 assessor pursuant to the provisions of this section;

9 (b) Submitted to the Department pursuant to NRS 482.294; or

10 (c) Presented to an authorized inspection station or authorized
11 station pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.281,

12 ➡ must include, if required, evidence of compliance with standards
13 for control of emissions.

14 3. The Department shall insert in each application mailed
15 pursuant to subsection 1:

16 (a) The amount of the governmental services tax to be collected
17 for the county pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.260.

18 (b) The amount set forth in a notice of nonpayment filed with
19 the Department by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484.444.

20 (c) A statement which informs the applicant that, pursuant to
21 NRS 485.185, he is legally required to maintain insurance during
22 the period in which the motor vehicle is registered.

23 ***(d) The document described in section 1 of this act.***

24 4. An owner who has made proper application for renewal of
25 registration before the expiration of the current registration but who
26 has not received the license plate or plates or card of registration for
27 the ensuing period of registration is entitled to operate or permit the
28 operation of that vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon
29 the license plate or plates issued for the preceding period of
30 registration for such a time as may be prescribed by the Department
31 as it may find necessary for the issuance of the new plate or plates
32 or card of registration.

