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SENATE BILL NO. 40—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
AND HOMELAND SECURITY

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES)

PREFILED JANUARY 26, 2007

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Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

**SUMMARY**—Makes various changes concerning the issuance of certificates of registration by vehicle dealers. (BDR 43-620)

**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.

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**AN ACT** relating to motor vehicles; authorizing the Department of Motor Vehicles to allow new and used vehicle dealers to issue certificates of registration and to collect a fee to process the registration; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Under current law, new vehicle dealers may process the registration of certain  
2 vehicles for their customers, but may not charge a fee for processing a certificate of  
3 registration. (NRS 482.216) **Section 1** of this bill amends the definition of  
4 “registered dealer” to provide that a used vehicle dealer, as well as a new vehicle  
5 dealer, may be authorized to issue certificates of registration. (NRS 482.1015)  
6 **Sections 1 and 2** of this bill allow the Department of Motor Vehicles to authorize a  
7 new or used vehicle dealer to issue certificates of registration and to prescribe by  
8 regulation the maximum fee they may charge for issuing a certificate of  
9 registration. (NRS 482.1015, 482.216)

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

1     **Section 1.** NRS 482.1015 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3     482.1015 “Registered dealer” means a new *or used* vehicle  
4 dealer who is authorized to issue certificates of registration pursuant  
5 to NRS 482.216.

6     **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.216 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7     482.216 1. Upon the request of a ~~new vehicle~~ *registered*  
8 dealer, the Department may authorize the ~~new vehicle~~ *registered*  
9 dealer to:

10     (a) Accept applications for the registration of the ~~new~~ motor  
11 vehicles he sells and the related fees and taxes;

12     (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the  
13 requirements of this chapter; and

14     (c) Accept applications for the transfer of registration pursuant  
15 to NRS 482.399 if the applicant purchased from the ~~new vehicle~~  
16 *registered* dealer a ~~new~~ vehicle to which the registration is to be  
17 transferred.

18     2. A ~~new vehicle~~ *registered* dealer who is authorized to issue  
19 certificates of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall:

20     (a) Transmit the applications he receives to the Department  
21 within the period prescribed by the Department;

22     (b) Transmit the fees he collects from the applicants and  
23 properly account for them within the period prescribed by the  
24 Department;

25     (c) Comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection  
26 4; and

27     (d) Bear any cost of equipment which is necessary to issue  
28 certificates of registration, including any computer hardware or  
29 software.

30     3. A ~~new vehicle~~ *registered* dealer who is authorized to issue  
31 certificates of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall not:

32     (a) ~~Charge any additional fee for the performance of those~~  
33 ~~services;~~

34     ~~(b)~~ Receive compensation from the Department for the  
35 performance of those services;

36     ~~(e)~~ (b) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a  
37 motor vehicle; or

38     ~~(d)~~ (c) Accept an application for the registration of a motor  
39 vehicle if the applicant wishes to:

40     (1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667  
41 to 482.3825, inclusive; or



1           (2) Claim the exemption from the governmental services tax  
2 provided pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.  
3       4. The Director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to  
4 carry out the provisions of this section. The regulations adopted  
5 pursuant to this subsection must provide for:  
6       (a) The expedient and secure issuance of license plates and  
7 decals by the Department; ~~and~~  
8       (b) The withdrawal of the authority granted to a ~~new vehicle~~  
9 *registered* dealer pursuant to subsection 1 if that dealer fails to  
10 comply with the regulations adopted by the Department ~~[-]~~; *and*  
11       (c) *The maximum fee a registered dealer may charge a*  
12 *customer for the issuance of a certificate of registration.*  
13       **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

