

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 547—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

MAY 2, 2009

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the renewal of the registration of a motor vehicle. (BDR 43-1289)

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

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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 state financial administration; revising provisions governing the renewal of the registration of a motor vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for a fee of \$250 to reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that was suspended because the registered owner failed to have insurance on the date specified in the form for verification that was mailed to the owner, and for a fee of \$50 for a registered owner of a dormant vehicle who cancelled or allowed the insurance coverage to expire before cancelling the registration of the vehicle. (NRS 482.480) The proceeds collected from the fees are deposited in the Account for Verification of Insurance and used to carry out the provisions of law relating to proof of insurance for motor vehicles.

Sections 1.3 and 1.7 of this bill revise provisions governing the renewal of the registration of motor vehicles to require, in relevant part, that a notification for the renewal of registration which is mailed to the holder of a certificate of registration must set forth certain information concerning: (1) the requirement to maintain motor vehicle liability insurance pursuant to NRS 485.185; and (2) any other applicable requirements set forth in chapter 485 of NRS and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

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

1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2 **Sec. 1.3.** NRS 482.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 482.280 1. The registration of every vehicle expires at
4 midnight on the day specified on the receipt of registration, unless



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1 the day specified falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. If the
2 day specified on the receipt of registration is a Saturday, Sunday or
3 legal holiday, the registration of the vehicle expires at midnight on
4 the next judicial day. The Department shall mail to each holder of a
5 certificate of registration ~~[an application]~~ **a notification** for renewal
6 of registration for the following period of registration. The
7 **[applications] notifications** must be mailed by the Department in
8 sufficient time to allow all applicants to mail the ~~[applications]~~
9 **notifications** to the Department **or to renew the certificate of**
10 **registration at a kiosk or authorized inspection station or via the**
11 **Internet or an interactive response system** and to receive new
12 certificates of registration and license plates, stickers, tabs or other
13 suitable devices by mail before the expiration of their registrations.
14 An applicant may present or submit the ~~[application]~~ **notification** to
15 any agent or office of the Department.

16 2. **[An application] A notification:**

- 17 (a) Mailed or presented to the Department or to a county
18 assessor pursuant to the provisions of this section;
19 (b) Submitted to the Department pursuant to NRS 482.294; or
20 (c) Presented to an authorized inspection station or authorized
21 station pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.281,
22 → must include, if required, evidence of compliance with standards
23 for control of emissions.

24 3. The Department shall ~~[insert in each application]~~ **include**
25 **with each notification** mailed pursuant to subsection 1:

- 26 (a) The amount of the governmental services tax to be collected
27 for the county pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.260.
28 (b) The amount set forth in a notice of nonpayment filed with
29 the Department by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484.444.
30 (c) A statement which informs the applicant ~~[that]~~:

31 (1) **That**, pursuant to NRS 485.185, he is legally required to
32 maintain insurance during the period in which the motor vehicle is
33 registered ~~[.]~~ **which must be provided by an insurance company**
34 **licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of**
35 **Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State;**
36 **and**

37 (2) **Of any other applicable requirements set forth in**
38 **chapter 485 of NRS and any regulations adopted thereto.**

39 4. An owner who has made proper application for renewal of
40 registration before the expiration of the current registration but who
41 has not received the license plate or plates or card of registration for
42 the ensuing period of registration is entitled to operate or permit the
43 operation of that vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon
44 the license plate or plates issued for the preceding period of
45 registration for such a time as may be prescribed by the Department



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1 as it may find necessary for the issuance of the new plate or plates
2 or card of registration.

3 **Sec. 1.5.** (Deleted by amendment.)

4 **Sec. 1.7.** NRS 485.137 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 485.137 1. The department shall publish a leaflet which
6 summarizes and explains the requirements and provisions of this
7 chapter.

8 2. The department shall:

9 (a) Make copies of the leaflet available without charge to all
10 licensed drivers in this State, to all public school pupils who are of
11 driving age, and to the public.

12 (b) Cause a copy of the leaflet to be delivered to each applicant
13 for a new registration of a vehicle.

14 ~~[(c) Enclose a copy of the leaflet with each application for a
15 renewal of registration of a vehicle which is mailed to the applicant
16 pursuant to law.]~~

17 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

18 **Sec. 3.** 1. This section and sections 1.3 to 2, inclusive, of this
19 act become effective on July 1, 2009.

20 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2011.

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