

1 SENATE BILL 275

2 **56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 66,  
12 ARTICLE 6 NMSA 1978 TO RAISE THE REGISTRATION FEES FOR  
13 PASSENGER VEHICLES, TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, ROAD TRACTORS AND  
14 BUSES.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 66-6-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,  
18 Chapter 35, Section 337, as amended) is amended to read:

19 "66-6-2. PASSENGER VEHICLES--REGISTRATION FEES.--For the  
20 registration of motor vehicles other than motorcycles, trucks,  
21 buses and tractors, the division shall collect the following  
22 fees for each twelve-month registration period:

23 A. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping  
24 weight is not more than two thousand pounds, [~~twenty-seven~~  
25 ~~dollars (\$27.00)] thirty-four dollars (\$34.00); provided,~~

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1 however, that after five years of registration, calculated from  
2 the date when the vehicle was first registered in this or  
3 another state, the fee is [~~twenty-one dollars (\$21.00)~~] twenty-  
4 seven dollars (\$27.00);

5 B. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping  
6 weight is more than two thousand but not more than three  
7 thousand pounds, [~~thirty-nine dollars (\$39.00)~~] forty-nine  
8 dollars (\$49.00); provided, however, that after five years of  
9 registration, calculated from the date when the vehicle was  
10 first registered in this or another state, the fee is [~~thirty-~~  
11 ~~one dollars (\$31.00)~~] thirty-nine dollars (\$39.00);

12 C. for a vehicle whose gross factory shipping  
13 weight is more than three thousand pounds, [~~fifty-six dollars~~  
14 ~~(\$56.00)~~] seventy dollars (\$70.00); provided, however, that  
15 after five years of registration, calculated from the date when  
16 the vehicle was first registered in this or another state, the  
17 fee is [~~forty-five dollars (\$45.00)~~] fifty-six dollars  
18 (\$56.00); and

19 D. for a vehicle registered pursuant to the  
20 provisions of this section, a tire recycling fee of one dollar  
21 fifty cents (\$1.50)."

22 SECTION 2. Section 66-6-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,  
23 Chapter 35, Section 339, as amended) is amended to read:

24 "66-6-4. REGISTRATION FEES--TRUCKS, TRUCK TRACTORS, ROAD  
25 TRACTORS AND BUSES.--

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1           A. Within their respective jurisdictions, the motor  
2 vehicle division and the [~~motor transportation~~] New Mexico  
3 state police division of the department of public safety shall  
4 charge registration fees for trucks, truck tractors, road  
5 tractors and buses, except as otherwise provided by law,  
6 according to the schedule of Subsection B of this section.

7	B. Declared Gross Weight	Fee
8	001 to 4,000	[ <del>\$40</del> ] <u>\$50</u>
9	4,001 to 6,000	[ <del>55</del> ] <u>69</u>
10	6,001 to 8,000	[ <del>69</del> ] <u>86</u>
11	8,001 to 10,000	[ <del>84</del> ] <u>105</u>
12	10,001 to 12,000	[ <del>99</del> ] <u>124</u>
13	12,001 to 14,000	[ <del>113</del> ] <u>141</u>
14	14,001 to 16,000	[ <del>128</del> ] <u>160</u>
15	16,001 to 18,000	[ <del>143</del> ] <u>179</u>
16	18,001 to 20,000	[ <del>157</del> ] <u>196</u>
17	20,001 to 22,000	[ <del>172</del> ] <u>215</u>
18	22,001 to 24,000	[ <del>187</del> ] <u>234</u>
19	24,001 to 26,000	[ <del>201</del> ] <u>251</u>
20	26,001 to 48,000	[ <del>118</del> ] <u>148</u>
21	48,001 and over	[ <del>172</del> ] <u>215</u> .

22           C. All trucks whose declared gross weight or whose  
23 gross vehicle weight is less than twenty-six thousand pounds,  
24 after five years of registration, calculated from the date when  
25 the vehicle was first registered in this or another state,

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1 shall be charged registration fees at eighty percent of the  
2 rate set out in Subsection B of this section.

3 D. All trucks with a gross vehicle weight of more  
4 than twenty-six thousand pounds and all truck tractors and road  
5 tractors used to tow freight trailers shall be registered on  
6 the basis of gross combination vehicle weight.

7 E. All trucks with a gross vehicle weight of  
8 twenty-six thousand pounds or less shall be registered on the  
9 basis of gross vehicle weight. A trailer, semitrailer or pole  
10 trailer towed by a truck of such gross vehicle weight shall be  
11 classified as a utility trailer for registration purposes  
12 unless otherwise provided by law.

13 F. All farm vehicles having a declared gross weight  
14 of more than six thousand pounds shall be charged registration  
15 fees of two-thirds of the rate of the respective fees provided  
16 in this section and shall be issued distinctive registration  
17 plates. "Farm vehicle" means a vehicle owned by a person whose  
18 principal occupation is farming or ranching and which vehicle  
19 is used principally in the transportation of farm and ranch  
20 products to market and farm and ranch supplies and livestock  
21 from the place of purchase to farms and ranches in this state;  
22 provided that the vehicle is not used for hire.

23 G. In addition to other registration fees imposed  
24 by this section, beginning July 1, 1994, an annual tire  
25 recycling fee of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) is imposed at

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1 the time of registration on each vehicle subject to a  
2 registration fee pursuant to this section, except for vehicles  
3 with a declared gross weight of greater than twenty-six  
4 thousand pounds upon which registration fees are imposed by  
5 Subsection B of this section.

6 H. Three percent of registration fees of trucks  
7 having from twenty-six thousand one pounds to forty-eight  
8 thousand pounds declared gross vehicle weight is to be  
9 transferred to the recycling and illegal dumping fund pursuant  
10 to the provisions of Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978.

11 I. Three and seventy-five hundredths percent of  
12 registration fees of trucks in excess of forty-eight thousand  
13 pounds declared gross vehicle weight is to be transferred to  
14 the recycling and illegal dumping fund pursuant to the  
15 provisions of Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978."

16 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the  
17 provisions of this act is July 1, 2023.