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**A BILL**

To amend section 4509.05 of the Revised Code to 1  
require the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to 2  
include information regarding who is at fault 3  
for a motor vehicle accident on a motor vehicle 4  
abstract, when such information is available. 5

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 4509.05 of the Revised Code be 6  
amended to read as follows: 7

**Sec. 4509.05.** (A) Upon request, the registrar of motor 8  
vehicles shall search and furnish a certified abstract of the 9  
following information with respect to any person: 10

(1) An enumeration of the motor vehicle accidents in which 11  
such person has been involved except accidents certified as 12  
described in division (D) of section 3937.41 of the Revised 13  
Code; 14

(2) Such person's record of convictions for violation of 15  
the motor vehicle laws. 16

(B) The registrar shall include with the enumeration of motor vehicle accidents, as listed on a person's abstract under division (A)(1) of this section, a specification of whether that person was found to be at fault or not at fault for each accident listed on the abstract, if that information is available. To determine fault and for purposes of providing the specification, the registrar may use motor vehicle accident reports, citations issued by law enforcement officers that are relevant to accidents listed on the abstract, and information given to the registrar by an insurance carrier regarding such accidents. 17  
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(C) The registrar shall collect for each abstract a fee of five dollars. 28  
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~~(C)~~-(D) The registrar may permit deputy registrars to perform a search and furnish a certified abstract under this section. A deputy registrar performing this function shall comply with section 4501.27 of the Revised Code concerning the disclosure of personal information, shall collect and transmit to the registrar the five-dollar fee established under division ~~(B)~~-(C) of this section, and may collect and retain a service fee equal to the amount established under section 4503.038 of the Revised Code. 30  
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The registrar shall pay each five-dollar fee collected under this section into the state treasury to the credit of the public safety - highway purposes fund established in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code. 39  
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**Section 2.** That existing section 4509.05 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed. 43  
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