

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 125

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to motor vehicle registration;  
8 amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1127, as last amended  
9 by Section 1, Chapter 209, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp.  
10 2016, Section 1127), which relates to registration of  
11 vehicles owned by certain military personnel;  
12 defining term; modifying information required for  
13 certain statement; extending application of reduced  
14 registration fee to certain retired individuals and  
15 specifying required documentation; and providing an  
16 effective date.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1127, as  
19 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 209, O.S.L. 2016 (47 O.S. Supp.  
20 2016, Section 1127), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 1127. A. All vehicles owned by members of the Armed  
22 Forces of the United States, the Reserve Corps of the Armed Forces  
23 of the United States, and the Oklahoma National Guard or their  
24 spouses assigned to duty in this state in compliance with official  
military or naval orders or owned by the spouse, who resides in  
Oklahoma, of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States  
serving in a foreign country, which vehicles are not being used in a

1 trade or business or for any commercial purpose, are hereby  
2 classified specially for vehicle license and registration purposes  
3 in this state. For purposes of this section, "members" shall  
4 include retired members who qualify as provided in subsection D of  
5 this section. Any such vehicle which is not registered and licensed  
6 for the current year in the state of residence or domicile of the  
7 service member, Guardsman, or Reservist or of the spouse owning the  
8 vehicle must be registered for the current year in Oklahoma as  
9 herein provided, except that any such vehicle which has been  
10 licensed in some other state by such service member, Guardsman,  
11 Reservist, or spouse while the service member, Guardsman, or  
12 Reservist was stationed in the other state may be operated in this  
13 state for the remainder of the year or period for which it is  
14 licensed. If such vehicle currently is registered with the Armed  
15 Forces of the United States rather than being registered in a state  
16 and the service member, Guardsman, or Reservist is transferred to a  
17 duty station within this state pursuant to military orders, the  
18 service member, Guardsman, Reservist, or spouse owning the vehicle  
19 shall not be required to register the vehicle in this state for a  
20 period of thirty (30) days after the date the service member,  
21 Guardsman, or Reservist is required to report for duty pursuant to  
22 the military.

23 The service member, Guardsman, Reservist, or spouse applying for  
24 the registration of any such vehicle shall submit an appropriate

1 statement, to be attached to the vehicle registration application,  
2 showing the following: A description of the vehicle owned by the  
3 applicant; the state and address of the applicant's legal residence  
4 or domicile; and that the applicant or applicant's spouse is on  
5 active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States assigned or  
6 stationed at a named location in compliance with official military  
7 orders or is retired and qualified pursuant to subsection D of this  
8 section. The statement shall be signed by the applicant and, if  
9 applicable, certified to by a proper officer of the organization to  
10 which the service member, Guardsman, or Reservist is assigned for  
11 duty. Provided, in lieu of certification by an officer, the  
12 applicant may submit copies of written orders documenting that the  
13 service member, Guardsman, or Reservist is on active duty at the  
14 time of application for registration. The application shall be  
15 accompanied by a registration fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00).

16 B. Any Oklahoma resident who is stationed out of state due to  
17 an official assignment of the Armed Forces of the United States or  
18 their spouse shall be entitled to register his or her vehicle or  
19 vehicles in this state for the same registration fee afforded  
20 members of the Armed Forces of the United States assigned to duty in  
21 this state pursuant to subsection A of this section. Such Oklahoma  
22 resident or their spouse who is stationed out of state due to an  
23 official assignment of the Armed Forces of the United States shall  
24 be exempt from the vehicle inspection requirements of Section 1105

1 of this title; provided, such Oklahoma resident or his or her spouse  
2 who is stationed out of state presents valid documentation  
3 acceptable to the Oklahoma Tax Commission evidencing that such  
4 inspection has been made by an out-of-state authority acceptable to  
5 the Tax Commission.

6 Any Oklahoma resident who is stationed out of state due to an  
7 official assignment of the Armed Forces of the United States may  
8 authorize a designated representative to register his or her vehicle  
9 or vehicles as provided for in this subsection if the service  
10 member, Guardsman, or Reservist is not able to register the vehicle  
11 at the appropriate time.

12 C. Any Oklahoma resident who is a member of the Armed Forces of  
13 the United States, Reserve Corps of the Armed Forces of the United  
14 States or the Oklahoma National Guard stationed outside of the state  
15 due to official assignment of the Armed Forces of the United States,  
16 or his or her spouse, shall be exempt from the penalties assessed  
17 pursuant to paragraph 4 of subsection C of Section 1115, subsection  
18 F of Section 1132 and subsection C of Section 1151 of this title for  
19 the duration of such official assignment and for a period of sixty  
20 (60) days after such assignment ends. If registration is not  
21 completed after the sixtieth day, the expiration date and the period  
22 for assessment of penalties shall commence on the sixty-first day.  
23 The exemption provided for in this section shall be granted only if  
24 the service member, Guardsman, Reservist, or spouse registering such

1 vehicle submits an appropriate statement, to be attached to the  
2 vehicle registration application, showing the following: A  
3 description of the vehicle owned by the applicant; the state and  
4 address of the applicant's legal residence or domicile; and that the  
5 applicant or applicant's spouse is on active duty in the Armed  
6 Forces of the United States assigned or stationed at a named  
7 location outside the state in compliance with official military  
8 orders. The statement shall be signed by the applicant and  
9 certified to by a proper officer of the organization to which the  
10 service member, Guardsman, or Reservist is assigned for duty.  
11 Provided, in lieu of certification by an officer, the applicant may  
12 submit copies of written orders documenting that the service member,  
13 Guardsman, or Reservist is on active duty at the time of application  
14 for registration.

15 D. The reduced registration fee provided herein shall ~~not~~ apply  
16 to vehicles owned by retired members of the Armed Forces, ~~inactive~~  
17 ~~members of the Reserve Corps of the Armed Forces, inactive members~~  
18 ~~of and~~ and the Oklahoma National Guard ~~and other members and former~~  
19 ~~members of the Armed Forces of the United States who are not on~~  
20 ~~active duty~~ if such individual provides documentation of discharge  
21 under other than dishonorable conditions. Such documentation shall  
22 be in the form of a Report of Separation (Form 214) issued by the  
23 U.S Defense Department or other applicable official separation  
24 document.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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