

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

Act 833 of 2003  
HOUSE BILL 2200

5 By: Representative Cowling  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REPEAL OBSOLETE PROVISIONS IN ARKANSAS  
10 CODE § 27-14-601 CONCERNING REGISTRATION OF  
11 VEHICLES; REPEAL ARKANSAS CODE § 27-14-2203  
12 CONCERNING OFFICIAL POLICE REPORTING OF STOLEN  
13 VEHICLES TO THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR  
14 OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

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17 CONCERNING REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES, AND  
18 POLICE REPORTING OF STOLEN VEHICLES TO  
19 OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLES.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-14-601(a)(3)(G), pertaining to partial  
26 year registration and licensing of Class Two through Class Seven trucks, is  
27 amended as follows:

28 (G) Class Seven - (i) On all such vehicles with a gross  
29 loaded weight between sixty-eight thousand one pounds (68,001 lbs.) and  
30 seventy-three thousand, two hundred eighty pounds (73,280 lbs.), the fee to  
31 be charged shall be at the rate of fourteen dollars and thirty cents (\$14.30)  
32 per thousand pounds of gross loaded weight of the vehicles;

33 (ii) On all such vehicles with a gross loaded weight  
34 between seventy-three thousand, two hundred eighty one pounds (73,281 lbs.)  
35 and eighty thousand pounds (80,000 lbs.), the fee to be charged shall be one  
36 thousand, three hundred fifty dollars (\$1,350.00).



1                                   ~~(iii) Any truck in Class Two, Class Three, Class~~  
2 ~~Four, Class Five, Class Six, or Class Seven for which the annual registration~~  
3 ~~and licensing fee is one hundred thirty dollars (\$130) or more may be~~  
4 ~~registered and licensed for the first six (6) months of the licensing period,~~  
5 ~~upon application therefore and the payment of one half (1/2) of the annual~~  
6 ~~license fee prescribed in this section for such truck, plus an additional fee~~  
7 ~~of six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50) to defray the administrative cost of~~  
8 ~~issuing a half year license.~~

9                                   ~~(iv) Any truck in Class Seven may be registered and~~  
10 ~~licensed for the first three (3) months of the licensing period, upon~~  
11 ~~application therefore and the payment of one fourth (1/4) of the annual~~  
12 ~~license fee prescribed herein for such truck, plus an additional fee of six~~  
13 ~~dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50) to defray the administrative cost of issuing~~  
14 ~~a quarter year license.~~

15                                   ~~(v) The Director of the Department of Finance and~~  
16 ~~Administration shall cause distinctive license plates to be prepared to~~  
17 ~~evidence the six month and three month registration of vehicles under this~~  
18 ~~subsection and shall make such rules and regulations as he shall deem~~  
19 ~~necessary to properly carry out and enforce the provisions of this~~  
20 ~~subsection;~~

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22           SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-14-601(b), pertaining to the  
23 registration and licensing of motor vehicles, is amended as follows:

24           (b) PERIOD COVERED AND EXPIRATION OF REGISTRATION.

25                   (1) On all motor vehicles, except trucks other than Class One  
26 trucks as defined in § 27-14-1002, truck-tractors, trailers, and  
27 semitrailers, and combinations thereof, the duration and expiration of  
28 registration shall be in accord with the provisions of § 27-14-1011, and all  
29 fees provided in this section for such motor vehicles shall be due and  
30 payable annually as provided therein.

31                   (2)(A)~~(i)~~ On all trucks except Class One trucks as defined in §  
32 27-14-1002, truck-tractors, trailers, and semitrailers, and combinations  
33 thereof, except trailers drawn by automobiles and Class One trucks, the  
34 registration shall be valid for twelve (12) months from the month of issuance  
35 of registration, and all fees provided in this section for such vehicles  
36 shall be due and payable annually during the twelfth month of the

1 registration period.

2 ~~(ii)~~(B) No person shall have the authority to extend the  
 3 time for payment of such fees past the period specified in this subdivision  
 4 (b)(2)(A).

5 ~~(iii)~~(C) The provisions of this subdivision (b)(2)(A)  
 6 shall not apply to trailers drawn by automobiles or by Class One trucks.

7 ~~(iv)~~(a)(D)(i) The director shall, upon request, assign the  
 8 same registration period to any owner of two (2) or more trucks, truck-  
 9 tractors, trailers, and semitrailers, and combinations thereof, except Class  
 10 One trucks as defined in § 27-14-1002.

11 ~~(b)~~ (ii) The director shall, upon request, assign a  
 12 different month of registration other than the vehicle's current month of  
 13 registration to any owner of a truck, truck-tractor, trailer, and  
 14 semitrailer, and combinations thereof, except Class One trucks as defined in  
 15 § 27-14-1002, and all fees shall be prorated accordingly on a monthly basis.

16 ~~(B)(i)~~ All licenses issued for trailers drawn by  
 17 automobiles and Class One trucks as provided for in subdivision  
 18 (a)(3)(I)(i)(a)(1) of this section shall be for a period of two (2) years.

19 ~~(ii)~~ The director shall establish a system for the  
 20 issuance of licenses to trailers drawn by automobiles and Class One trucks to  
 21 the end that such trailer licenses will be renewable as uniformly as  
 22 practicable throughout each of the twelve (12) months of the license year.

23 ~~(iii)~~ The registration of trailers drawn by  
 24 automobiles and Class One trucks shall be arranged, so far as practical, to  
 25 assure that each individual's trailer registration will be renewable on the  
 26 same date as his boat registration or motor vehicle registration.

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28 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-14-2203, pertaining to police reporting  
 29 of stolen vehicles to the Office of Motor Vehicle, is repealed.

30 ~~27-14-2203. Official reports to Office of Motor Vehicle.~~

31 ~~(a) Every police officer, upon receiving reliable information that any~~  
 32 ~~vehicle registered under this chapter has been stolen, shall immediately~~  
 33 ~~report the theft to the office unless, prior thereto, information has been~~  
 34 ~~received of the recovery of the vehicle.~~

35 ~~(b) An officer, upon receiving information that any vehicle which~~  
 36 ~~previously has been reported as stolen has been recovered, shall immediately~~

1 ~~report the fact of the recovery to the local police department and the~~  
2 ~~office.~~

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