

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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5 By: Representative Barnett

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7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION OF A  
9 FLEET OF MOTOR VEHICLES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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11 **Subtitle**

12 TO ALLOW THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION OF A  
13 FLEET OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 14, Subchapter 6 is amended*  
19 *to add an additional section to read as follows:*

20 27-14-610. Permanent registration of a fleet of motor vehicles.

21 (a) As used in this section:

22 (1) "Affiliate" means any entity that directly or indirectly  
23 owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or  
24 control with another entity;

25 (2)(A) "Fleet of motor vehicles" means at least fifty (50) motor  
26 vehicles that are:

27 (i) Owned or leased by a person or entity described  
28 in § 26-26-1601(12)-(16) or affiliates of that person or entity; and

29 (ii) Used for business purposes.

30 (B) "Fleet of motor vehicles" includes commercial motor  
31 vehicles that are base-plated in the State of Arkansas or passenger motor  
32 vehicles otherwise subject to registration under this chapter.

33 (C) "Fleet of motor vehicles" does not include motor  
34 vehicles registered and governed under § 27-14-502 or motor vehicles  
35 registered under an international registration plan administered by a state



1 other than Arkansas; and

2 (3) "Owns or controls" means owning or holding at least a  
3 majority of the outstanding voting power of an entity.

4 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the  
5 registered owner or lessee of a fleet of motor vehicles may apply as provided  
6 in this section to the Office of Motor Vehicle of the Revenue Division of the  
7 Department of Finance and Administration for a license plate with a decal  
8 identifying the vehicle as a fleet vehicle.

9 (c) The license plate issued under this section shall be the standard  
10 license plate for the class and type of vehicle otherwise required under this  
11 chapter, with a decal bearing the word 'fleet' at the bottom of the license  
12 plate.

13 (d)(1) Payment of all registration fees and fleet  
14 management fees under this section shall be paid in advance for a period of  
15 three (3) years.

16 (2)(A) The fees for renewal of a vehicle registration under this  
17 section shall be due and payable during the last month of the last year of  
18 the registration period.

19 (B) Upon request, the Office of Motor Vehicle shall allow  
20 the owner of a fleet of motor vehicles to set all renewals for the fleet to  
21 occur in a month requested by the owner.

22 (3)(A) The Office of Motor Vehicle may shorten or lengthen the  
23 term of any renewal period under this section by rule and upon notice to all  
24 owners of a fleet registered under this section as necessary to provide for a  
25 staggered system of renewal in which approximately one-third (1/3) of the  
26 vehicles in a fleet shall be renewed in any given year.

27 (e)(1) The fees for registration and renewal of registration of a  
28 vehicle under this section shall be the same amount as and shall be  
29 distributed in the same manner as the fees otherwise required under this  
30 chapter for the type and class of vehicle being registered.

31 (2)(A) In addition to the registration fees prescribed for  
32 issuance or renewal under this chapter, an annual fleet management fee of ten  
33 dollars (\$10.00) per motor vehicle in the fleet of motor vehicles shall be  
34 charged.

35 (B) The annual fleet management fee shall be deposited as  
36 special revenues into the State Central Services Fund to be used exclusively

1 for the benefit of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and  
2 Administration.

3 (f)(1) Upon payment of the registration fees and fleet management fees  
4 as provided under subsection (e) of this section, the owner or lessee of the  
5 fleet of motor vehicles shall be issued a license plate with a decal for each  
6 motor vehicle in the fleet of motor vehicles registered under this section.

7 (2) Each license plate with a decal issued under this section  
8 shall bear a validation sticker as required for standard license plates  
9 issued under this chapter reflecting the period that the owner or lessee of  
10 the fleet of motor vehicles has paid in advance.

11 (g) A license plate with a decal issued under this section may be  
12 transferred to another vehicle of the same type and class in the same fleet  
13 of motor vehicles in the same manner and subject to the same fees prescribed  
14 in §§ 27-14-902 and 27-14-914.

15 (h) A license plate with a decal issued under this section that has  
16 been lost or destroyed may be replaced in the same manner and subject to the  
17 same fees prescribed in § 27-14-602.

18 (i) The Office of Motor Vehicle may adopt rules for the  
19 implementation, administration, and enforcement of this section.

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22 /s/ Barnett

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