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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 2428

"PERTAINING TO ESCORTS FOR OVER-LENGTH VEHICLES"

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 2428.

Amend House Bill No. 2428 as originally introduced:

Insert an additional section immediately following Section 1 to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. (a) Any vehicle operating as an escort vehicle for an oversize, overweight, hazardous, or other load that is required by law, rule, or regulation to be accompanied by one or more escort vehicles, shall have a current Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registration.

(b) The Arkansas State Highway Commission is authorized to issue an annual Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registration and to promulgate rules and regulations concerning the requirements and the issuance of such registration.

(1) A ten dollar (\$10.00) fee shall be paid to the Arkansas State Highway Commission for the issuance of each annual registration, and the fee shall not be prorated.

(2) The registration shall be valid from January 1 of each year through December 31 of the same year.

(3) The Arkansas State Highway Commission may require an annual decal or other identifying markers to be displayed at a designated place on a registered escort vehicle.

(4) The Arkansas State Highway Commission may require information deemed necessary on an application for registration.

(c) The Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registration shall be carried at all times in the registered vehicle and shall be produced for examination at the request of a law enforcement officer.

(d) Immediately prior to the issuance of an Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registration, each vehicle for which an application for registration has been submitted must be inspected by the Arkansas Highway Police to determine if the vehicle is in compliance with the Arkansas State Highway Commission's requirements for an escort vehicle.

(e) Any person operating an escort vehicle shall be eight (18) years of age or older and shall possess a valid driver's license.

(f)(1)(A) For every vehicle for which registration is sought, proof of liability insurance issued by a company licensed to do business in the State of Arkansas, and in the amount required by the Arkansas State Highway

Commission, must be presented.

(B) Valid proof of insurance shall be carried in the escort vehicle at all times, and it shall be produced at the request of a law enforcement officer.

(g) The owner and driver of a vehicle being operated in violation of any provisions of this section shall be guilty of a violation.

(1) Any operator who pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or who is found guilty for a third and any successive violation of this section within a twelve (12) month period, shall be ineligible to operate in this state a vehicle which has a valid Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registration.

(2) If the Arkansas State Highway Commission determines that any owner, principal or employer caused or permitted an operator to violate this section, in addition to any fines assessed, the commission may void any or all current Arkansas Escort Vehicle Registrations issued to any of the vehicles used, owned, operated or leased for use by that owner, principal or employer.

(h) This section shall not repeal Arkansas Code 27-35-306(g)."

The Amendment was read _____
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