LEGISLATIVE BILL 263

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Introduced by Transportation and Telecommunications Committee: Friesen, 34, Chairperson; Bostelman, 23; Briese, 41; Geist, 25; Hilgers, 21; Hughes, 44; Murante, 49; Smith, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 13-910, 37-1201, 37-1279, 37-1283, 37-1287, 60-168.02, 60-192, 60-394, 60-3,126, 60-3,184, 60-483, 60-4,109, 60-4,168.01, 60-506.01, 60-699, 60-6,168, 75-110, 75-303.01, 75-303.02, 75-303.03, 76-2316, 76-2319, 76-2320, 81-8,219, and 82 133 Paissus Povised Statutes of Nebracks, and sections 60 101, 60 103 83-123, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 83-123, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 60-119.01, 60-144, 60-149, 60-154, 60-155, 60-161, 60-164, 60-166, 60-301, 60-302, 60-317, 60-336.01, 60-363, 60-372, 60-385, 60-386, 60-393, 60-395, 60-396, 60-3, 104, 60-3, 104.01, 60-3, 113.04, 60-3, 118, 60-3, 120, 60-3, 121, 60-3, 122, 60-3, 122.02, 60-3, 122.04, 60-3, 123, 60-3, 124, 60-3, 125, 60-3, 128, 60-3, 130.04, 60-3, 135.01, 60-3, 141, 60-3, 151, 60-3, 161, 60-3, 193.01, 60-3, 224, 60-3, 227, 60-3, 229, 60-3, 231, 60-462.01, 60-479.01, 60-4, 108, 60-4, 147.02, 60-4, 168, 60-501, 60-628.01, 60-1505, 60-2904, 60-2907, 75-128, 75-306, 75-309, 75-311, 75-363, 75-364, 75-366, 75-369.03, 75-392, 75-393, 76-2325, and 77-2703, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016; to change provisions relating to the State Boat Act, the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Motor Registration Act, the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act, and the One-Call Notification System Act; to provide for Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates and to create a fund; to change provisions relating to the use of a fund and certain registration and title records kept by the Department of Motor Vehicles; to provide for an electronic dealer services system; to change provisions relating to the Public Service Commission, motor carriers, and the issuance of license plates; to harmonize provisions; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 13-910, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:

13-910 The Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act and sections 16-727, 16-728, 23-175, 39-809, and 79-610 shall not apply to:

(1) Any claim based upon an act or omission of an employee of a political

subdivision, exercising due care, in the execution of a statute, ordinance, or officially adopted resolution, rule, or regulation, whether or not such statute, ordinance, resolution, rule, or regulation is valid;

(2) Any claim based upon the exercise or performance of or the failure to exercise or perform a discretionary function or duty on the part of the political subdivision or an employee of the political subdivision, whether or not the discretion is abused;

- (3) Any claim based upon the failure to make an inspection or making an inadequate or negligent inspection of any property other than property owned by or leased to such political subdivision to determine whether the property complies with or violates any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation or contains a hazard to public health or safety unless the political subdivision had reasonable notice of such hazard or the failure to inspect or inadequate or regulations appears inspection constitutes a regulated dispensed for public health or negligent inspection constitutes a reckless disregard for public health or safety;
- (4) Any claim based upon the issuance, denial, suspension, or revocation of or failure or refusal to issue, deny, suspend, or revoke any permit, license, certificate, or order. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit a political subdivision's liability for any claim based upon the negligent execution by an employee of the political subdivision in the issuance of a certificate of title under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act and of a certificate of title under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act and the State Boat Act except when such title is issued upon an application filed electronically by an approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act;
- (5) Any claim arising with respect to the assessment or collection of any tax or fee or the detention of any goods or merchandise by any law enforcement officer;
- (6) Any claim caused by the imposition or establishment of a quarantine by the state or a political subdivision, whether such quarantine relates to persons or property;
- (7) Any claim arising out of assault, battery, false arrest, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, libel, slander, misrepresentation, deceit, or interference with contract rights;
 (8) Any claim by an employee of the political subdivision which is covered by the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act;
 (9) Any claim arising out of the malfunction, destruction, or unsutherized
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removal of any traffic or road sign, signal, or warning device unless it is not corrected by the political subdivision responsible within a reasonable time after actual or constructive notice of such malfunction, destruction, or after actual or constructive notice of such malfunction, destruction, or removal. Nothing in this subdivision shall give rise to liability arising from an act or omission of any political subdivision in placing or removing any traffic or road signs, signals, or warning devices when such placement or removal is the result of a discretionary act of the political subdivision;

(10) Any claim arising out of snow or ice conditions or other temporary conditions caused by nature on any highway as defined in section 60-624, bridge, public thoroughfare, or other public place due to weather conditions. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit a political subdivision's liability for any claim arising out of the operation of a motor vehicle by an employee of the political subdivision while acting within the course and scope of his or her employment by the political subdivision;

(11) Any claim arising out of the plan or design for the construction of or an improvement to any highway as defined in such section or bridge, either in original construction or any improvement thereto, if the plan or design is approved in advance of the construction or improvement by the governing body of political subdivision or some other body or employee exercising

discretionary authority to give such approval;

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 (12) Any claim arising out of the alleged insufficiency or want of repair of any highway as defined in such section, bridge, or other public thoroughfare. Insufficiency or want of repair shall be construed to refer to the general or overall condition and shall not refer to a spot or localized defect. A political subdivision shall be deemed to waive its immunity for a claim due to a spot or localized defect only if (a) the political subdivision has had actual or constructive notice of the defect within a reasonable time to allow repair prior to the incident giving rise to the claim or (b) the claim arose during the time specified in a notice provided by the political subdivision pursuant to subsection (3) of section 39-1359 and the state or political subdivision had actual or constructive notice; or

 (13)(a) Any claim relating to recreational activities for which no fee is
- (13)(a) Any claim relating to recreational activities for which no fee is charged (i) resulting from the inherent risk of the recreational activity, (ii) arising out of a spot or localized defect of the premises unless the spot or localized defect is not corrected by the political subdivision leasing, owning, or in control of the premises within a reasonable time after actual or constructive notice of the spot or localized defect, or (iii) arising out of the design of a skatepark or bicycle motocross park constructed for purposes of skateboarding, inline skating, bicycling, or scootering that was constructed or reconstructed, reasonably and in good faith, in accordance with generally recognized engineering or safety standards or design theories in existence at the time of the construction or reconstruction. For purposes of this subdivision, a political subdivision shall be charged with constructive notice only when the failure to discover the spot or localized defect of the premises is the result of gross negligence.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

(i) Recreational activities include, but are not limited to, whether as a participant or spectator: Hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, hiking, walking, running, horseback riding, use of trails, nature study, waterskiing, winter sports, use of playground equipment, biking, roller blading, skateboarding, golfing, athletic contests; visiting, viewing, or enjoying entertainment events, festivals, or historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites; and similar leisure activities;

(ii) Inherent risk of recreational activities means those risks that are characteristic of, intrinsic to, or an integral part of the activity;

(iii) Gross negligence means the absence of even slight care in the

performance of a duty involving an unreasonable risk of harm; and
 (iv) Fee means a fee to participate in or be a spectator at a recreational activity. A fee shall include payment by the claimant to any person or organization other than the political subdivision only to the extent the political subdivision retains control over the premises or the activity. A fee shall not include payment of a fee or charge for parking or vehicle entry.

(c) This subdivision, and not subdivision (3) of this section, shall apply to any claim arising from the inspection or failure to make an inspection or negligent inspection of premises owned or leased by the political subdivision

and used for recreational activities.

Sec. 2. Section 37-1201, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

37-1201 Sections 37-1201 to 37-12,110 <u>and section 3 of this act</u> shall be known and may be cited as the State Boat Act. It is the policy of this state to promote safety for persons and property in and connected with the use, operation, and equipment of vessels and to promote uniformity of laws relating

- Sec. 3. <u>Beginning January 1, 2019, if a motorboat certificate of title is an electronic certificate of title record, upon application by an owner or a</u> <u>lienholder</u> and payment of the fee prescribed in section 37-1287, the following changes may be made to a certificate of title electronically and without printing a certificate of title:
 - (1) Changing the name of an owner to reflect a legal change of name;
- (2) Removing the name of an owner with the consent of all owners and <u>lienholders; or</u>
- (3) Adding an additional owner with the consent of all owners and <u>lienholders.</u>

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Sec. 4. Section 37-1279, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

37-1279 (1) The county treasurer shall issue the certificate of title. The county treasurer shall sign and affix his or her seal to the original certificate of title and deliver the certificate to the applicant if there are no liens on the motorboat. If there are one or more liens on the motorboat, the certificate of title shall be handled as provided in section 37-1282. The county treasurer shall keep on hand a sufficient supply of blank forms which shall be furnished and distributed without charge to manufacturers, dealers, or other persons residing within the county, except that certificates of title shall only be issued by the county treasurer or the Department of Motor Vehicles. Each county shall issue and file certificates of title using the Vehicle Title and Registration System which shall be provided and maintained by the department vehicle titling and registration computer system.

- (2) Each county treasurer of the various counties shall provide his or her seal without charge to the applicant on any certificate of title, application for certificate of title, duplicate copy, assignment or reassignment, power of attorney, statement, or affidavit pertaining to the issuance of a certificate of title. The department shall prescribe a uniform method of numbering certificates of title.
- (3) The county treasurer shall (a) file all certificates of title according to rules and regulations of the department, (b) maintain in the office indices for such certificates of title, (c) be authorized to destroy all previous records five years after a subsequent transfer has been made on a motorboat, and (d) be authorized to destroy all certificates of title and all supporting records and documents which have been on file for a period of five years or more from the date of filing the certificate or a notation of lien, whichever occurs later.

Sec. 5. Section 37-1283, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

37-1283 (1) In the event of the transfer of ownership of a motorboat by operation of law as upon inheritance, devise, or bequest, order in bankruptcy, insolvency, replevin, or execution sale, (2) whenever a motorboat is sold to satisfy storage or repair charges, or (3) whenever repossession is had upon default in performance of the terms of a chattel mortgage, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or other like agreement, and upon acceptance of an electronic certificate of title record after repossession, in addition to the title requirements in this section, the county treasurer of any county or the Department of Motor Vehicles, upon the surrender of the prior certificate of title or the manufacturer's or importer's certificate, or when that is not possible, upon presentation of satisfactory proof of ownership and right of possession to the motorboat, and upon payment of the fee prescribed in section 37-1287 and the presentation of an application for certificate of title, may issue to the applicant a certificate of title thereto. If the prior certificate of title issued for the motorboat provided for joint ownership with right of survivorship, a new certificate of title shall be issued to a subsequent purchaser upon the assignment of the prior certificate of title by the surviving owner and presentation of satisfactory proof of death of the deceased owner. Only an affidavit by the person or agent of the person to whom possession of the motorboat has so passed, setting forth facts entitling him or her to such possession and ownership, together with a copy of the journal entry, court order, or instrument upon which such claim of possession and ownership is founded shall be considered satisfactory proof of ownership and right of possession, except that if the applicant cannot produce such proof of ownership, he or she may submit to the department such evidence as he or she may have and the department may thereupon, if it finds the evidence sufficient, issue the certificate of title, as the case may be. If fr

Sec. 6. Section 37-1287, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

37-1287 (1) The county treasurers or the Department of Motor Vehicles shall charge a fee of six dollars for each certificate of title and a fee of three dollars for each notation of any lien on a certificate of title. The county treasurers shall retain for the county four dollars of the six dollars charged for each certificate of title and two dollars for each notation of lien. The remaining amount of the fee charged for the certificate of title and notation of lien under this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund.

- (2) The county treasurers or the department shall charge a fee of ten dollars for each replacement or duplicate copy of a certificate of title, and the duplicate copy issued shall show only those unreleased liens of record. Such fees shall be remitted by the county or the department to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund.
- Treasurer for credit to the General Fund.

 (3) In addition to the fees prescribed in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the county treasurers or the department shall charge a fee of four dollars for each certificate of title, each replacement or duplicate copy of a certificate of title, and each notation of lien on a certificate of title. The county treasurers or the department shall remit the fee charged under this subsection to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor

Vehicles Cash Fund.

(4) The county treasurers shall remit fees due the State Treasurer under this section monthly and not later than the $\underline{\text{twentieth}}$ $\underline{\text{fifteenth}}$ day of the month following collection. The county treasurers shall credit fees not due to the State Treasurer to their respective county general fund.

Sec. 7. Section 60-101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

60-101 Sections 60-101 to 60-197 <u>and sections 9, 10, 11, and 19 of this</u> shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title

Sec. 8. Section 60-102, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-102 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections 60-103 to 60-136.01 and section 9 of this act shall be used.

Sec. 9. Licensed dealer means a motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer,

or trailer dealer licensed under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.
Sec. 10. If the owner does not have a certificate of title for a vehicle manufactured more than thirty years prior to application for a certificate of title which has not had any major component part replaced, the department shall search its records and any records readily accessible to the department for evidence of issuance of a certificate of title for such vehicle at the request of the owner. If no certificate of title has been issued, the owner may apply for a certificate of title indicating that the year, make, and model of the vehicle is that originally designated by the manufacturer by presenting a notarized bill of sale, an affidavit in support of the application for title, and a statement that an inspection has been conducted on the vehicle.

Sec. 11. For each certificate of title issued by the department under section 10 of this act, the fee shall be twenty-five dollars, which shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles <u>Cash Fund.</u>

Sec. 12. Section 60-119.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-119.01 Low-speed vehicle means a four-wheeled motor vehicle (1) whose speed attainable in one mile is more than twenty miles per hour and not more than twenty-five miles per hour on a paved, level surface, (2) whose gross vehicle weight rating is less than three thousand pounds, and (3) that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 571, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016.

Sec. 13. Section 60-144, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

60-144 (1)(a)(i) Except as provided in subdivisions (b), (c), and (d) of this subsection, the county treasurer shall be responsible for issuing and filing certificates of title for vehicles, and each county shall issue and file such certificates of title using the <u>Vehicle Title and Registration System which shall be provided and maintained vehicle titling and registration computer system prescribed</u> by the department. Application for a certificate of title shall be made upon a form prescribed by the department. All applications shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee or fees.

(ii) This subdivision applies beginning on an implementation date

- designated by the director. The director shall designate an implementation date which is on or before January 1, 2020. In addition to the information required under subdivision (1)(a)(i) of this section, the application for a certificate of title shall contain (A) the full legal name as defined in section 60-468.01 of each owner and (B)(I) the motor vehicle operator's license number or state identification card number of each owner, if applicable, and one or more of the identification elements as listed in section 60-484 of each owner, if applicable, and (II) if any owner is a business entity, a nonprofit organization, an estate, a trust, or a church-controlled organization, its tax identification number.
- (b) The department shall issue and file certificates of title for Nebraska-based fleet vehicles. Application for a certificate of title shall be made upon a form prescribed by the department. All applications shall be
- accompanied by the appropriate fee or fees.

 (c) The department shall issue and file certificates of title for stateowned vehicles. Application for a certificate of title shall be made upon a form prescribed by the department. All applications shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee or fees.
- (d) The department shall issue certificates of title pursuant to section 60-142.06. Application for a certificate of title shall be made upon a form prescribed by the department. All applications shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee or fees.
- (e) The department shall issue certificates of title pursuant to section 10 of this act. Application for a certificate of title shall be made upon a form prescribed by the department. All applications shall be accompanied by the <u>appropriate fee or fees.</u>
 (2) If the owner of an all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a
- minibike resides in Nebraska, the application shall be filed with the county treasurer of the county in which the owner resides.
- (3)(a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b) of this subsection until January 1, 2019, if a vehicle, other than an all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a minibike, has situs in Nebraska, the application shall be filed with the county treasurer of the county in which the vehicle has situs. Beginning January 1, 2019, if a vehicle has situs in Nebraska, the

application for a certificate of title may be filed with the county treasurer of any county.

- (b) If a motor vehicle dealer licensed under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act applies for a certificate of title for a vehicle, the application may be filed with the county treasurer of any county.
- (c) An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act may apply for a certificate of title for a vehicle to the county treasurer of any county or the department <u>in a manner provided by the electronic dealer services system.</u>
- (4) If the owner of a vehicle is a nonresident, the application shall be filed in the county in which the transaction is consummated.
- (5) The application shall be filed within thirty days after the delivery of the vehicle.
- (6) All applicants registering a vehicle pursuant to section 60-3,198 shall file the application for a certificate of title with the Division of Motor Carrier Services of the department. The division shall deliver the certificate to the applicant if there are no liens on the vehicle. If there are one or more liens on the vehicle, the certificate of title shall be handled as provided in section 60-164. All certificates of title issued by the division shall be issued in the manner prescribed for the county treasurer in section 60-152.
- Sec. 14. Section 60-149, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-149 (1)(a) If a certificate of title has previously been issued for a vehicle in this state, the application for a new certificate of title shall be accompanied by the certificate of title duly assigned except as otherwise
- provided in the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act.

 (b) Except for manufactured homes or mobile homes as provided in subsection (2) of this section, if a certificate of title has not previously been issued for the vehicle in this state or if a certificate of title is unavailable pursuant to subsection (4) of section 52-1801, the application shall be accompanied by:
- (i) A manufacturer's or importer's certificate except as otherwise provided in subdivision (vii) of this subdivision;
- (ii) A duly certified copy of the manufacturer's or importer's certificate;
- (iii) An affidavit by the owner affirming ownership in the case of an all-
- terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a minibike;
 (iv) A certificate of title from another state;
 (v) A court order issued by a court of record, a manufacturer's certificate of origin, or an assigned registration certificate, if the law of the state from which the vehicle was brought into this state does not have a certificate of title law;
- (vi) Documentation prescribed in section 60-142.01, 60-142.02, 60-142.04, or 60-142.05 or section 10 of this act; or (vii) A manufacturer's or importer's certificate and an affidavit by the
- owner affirming ownership in the case of a minitruck.
- (c) If the application for a certificate of title in this state is accompanied by a valid certificate of title issued by another state which meets that state's requirements for transfer of ownership, then the application may be accepted by this state.
- (d) If a certificate of title has not previously been issued for the vehicle in this state and the applicant is unable to provide such documentation, the applicant may apply for a bonded certificate of title as prescribed in section 60-167.
- (2)(a) If the application for a certificate of title for a manufactured home or a mobile home is being made in accordance with subdivision (4)(b) of section 60-137 or if the certificate of title for a manufactured home or a mobile home is unavailable pursuant to section 52-1801, the application shall be accompanied by proof of ownership in the form of:

 (i) A duly assigned manufacturer's or importer's certificate;
- (ii) A certificate of title from another state;
 (iii) A court order issued by a court of record;
 (iv) Evidence of ownership as provided for in section 30-24,125, 52-601.01 to 52-605, 60-1901 to 60-1911, or 60-2401 to 60-2411; or
- (v) Assessment records for the manufactured home or mobile home from the county assessor and an affidavit by the owner affirming ownership.
- (b) If the applicant cannot produce proof of ownership described in subdivision (a) of this subsection, he or she may submit to the department such evidence as he or she may have, and the department may thereupon, if it finds the evidence sufficient, issue the certificate of title or authorize the county treasurer to issue a certificate of title, as the case may be.

 (3) For purposes of this section, certificate of title includes a salvage certificate, a salvage branded certificate of title, or any other document of ownership issued by another state or jurisdiction for a salvage vehicle. Only a salvage branded certificate of title shall be issued to any vehicle conveyed
- salvage branded certificate of title shall be issued to any vehicle conveyed upon a salvage certificate, a salvage branded certificate of title, or any other document of ownership issued by another state or jurisdiction for a salvage vehicle.
- (4) The county treasurer shall retain the evidence of title presented by the applicant and on which the certificate of title is issued.
- Sec. 15. Section 60-154, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-154 (1)(a) For each original certificate of title issued by a county for a motor vehicle or trailer, the fee shall be ten dollars. Three dollars and twenty-five cents shall be retained by the county. Four dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. Two dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund. Seventy-five cents shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit as follows: Twenty cents to the Motor Vehicle Fraud Cash Fund; forty-five cents to the Nebraska State Patrol Cash Fund; and ten cents to the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Fund.

- (b) For each original certificate of title issued by a county for an all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a minibike, the fee shall be ten dollars. Three dollars and twenty-five cents shall be retained by the county. Four dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. Two dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund. Seventy-five cents shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit as follows: Twenty cents to the Motor Vehicle Fraud Cash Fund; and fifty-five cents to the Nebraska State Patrol Cash Fund.
- (2) For each original certificate of title issued by the department for a vehicle except as provided in section 60-159.01, the fee shall be ten dollars. Four dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. Six dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Carrier Division Cash Fund.
- (3) An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act may collect the fees prescribed by this section and shall remit any such fees to the appropriate county treasurer or the department.
- Sec. 16. Section 60-155, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-155 (1) For each notation of a lien by a county, the fee shall be seven dollars. Two dollars shall be retained by the county. Four dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. One dollar shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund.
- (2) For each notation of a lien by the department, the fee shall be seven dollars. Four dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. Three dollars shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Carrier Division Cash Fund.
- (3) An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act may collect the fees prescribed by this section and shall remit any such fees to the appropriate county treasurer or the department.
- Sec. 17. Section 60-161, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-161 The county treasurer shall remit all funds due the State Treasurer under sections 60-154 to 60-160 monthly and not later than the $\underline{\mathsf{twentieth}}$ fifteenth day of the month following collection. The county treasurer shall credit the fees not due the State Treasurer to the county general fund.
- Sec. 18. Section 60-164, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- system for vehicles. The no later than January 1, 2011. The director shall designate the date for the implementation of the system. Beginning on the implementation date, the holder of a security interest, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or similar instrument regarding a vehicle, or beginning January 1, 2019, a licensed dealer, may file a lien electronically as prescribed by the department. Upon Beginning on the implementation date, upon receipt of an application for a certificate of title for a vehicle, any lien filed electronically shall become part of the electronic certificate of title record created by the county treasurer or department maintained on the electronic title and lien system. If Beginning on the implementation date, if an application for a certificate of title indicates that there is a lien or encumbrance on a vehicle or if a lien or notice of lien has been filed record and shall note and cancel such liens electronically on the system. The department shall provide access to the electronic certificate of title records for licensed motor vehicle dealers and lienholders who participate in the system by a method determined by the director.
- department shall provide access to the electronic certificate of title records for licensed motor vehicle dealers and lienholders who participate in the system by a method determined by the director.

 (2) Except as provided in section 60-165, the provisions of article 9, Uniform Commercial Code, shall never be construed to apply to or to permit or require the deposit, filing, or other record whatsoever of a security agreement, conveyance intended to operate as a mortgage, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or similar instrument or any copy of the same covering a vehicle. Any mortgage, conveyance intended to operate as a security agreement as provided by article 9, Uniform Commercial Code, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or other similar instrument covering a vehicle, if such instrument is accompanied by delivery of such manufacturer's or importer's certificate and followed by actual and continued possession of the same by the holder of such instrument or, in the case of a certificate of title, if a notation of the same has been made electronically as prescribed in subsection (1) of this section or by the county treasurer or department on the face of the certificate of title or on the electronic certificate of title record, shall be valid as against the creditors of the debtor, whether armed with process or

not, and subsequent purchasers, secured parties, and other lienholders or claimants but otherwise shall not be valid against them, except that during any period in which a vehicle is inventory, as defined in section 9-102, Uniform Commercial Code, held for sale by a person or corporation that is required to be licensed as provided in the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act and is in the business of selling such vehicles, the filing provisions of article 9, Uniform Commercial Code, as applied to inventory, shall apply to a security interest in such vehicle created by such person or corporation as debtor without the notation of lien on the certificate of title. A buyer of a vehicle at retail from a dealer required to be licensed as provided in the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act shall take such vehicle free of any security interest. A purchase-money security interest, as defined in section 9-103, Uniform Commercial Code, in a vehicle is perfected against the rights of judicial lien creditors and execution creditors on and after the date the purchase-money security interest attaches.

- (3) Subject to subsections (1) and (2) of this section, all liens, security agreements, and encumbrances noted upon a certificate of title or an electronic certificate of title record and all liens noted electronically as prescribed in subsection (1) of this section shall take priority according to the order of time in which the same are noted by the county treasurer or department. Exposure for sale of any vehicle by the owner thereof with the knowledge or with the knowledge and consent of the holder of any lien, security agreement, or encumbrance on such vehicle shall not render the same void or ineffective as against the creditors of such owner or holder of subsequent liens, security agreements, or encumbrances upon such vehicle.
- (4) The holder of a security agreement, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or similar instrument, upon presentation of such instrument to the department or to any county treasurer, together with the certificate of title and the fee prescribed for notation of lien, may have a notation of such lien made on the face of such certificate of title. The owner of a vehicle may present a valid out-of-state certificate of title issued to such owner for such vehicle with a notation of lien on such certificate of title and the prescribed fee to the county treasurer or department and have the notation of lien made on the new certificate of title issued pursuant to section 60-144 without presenting a copy of the lien instrument. The county treasurer or the department shall enter the notation and the date thereof over the signature of the person making the notation and the seal of the office. If noted by a county treasurer, he or she shall on that day notify the department which shall note the lien on its records. The county treasurer or the department shall also indicate by appropriate notation and on such instrument itself the fact that such lien has been noted on the certificate of title.

 (5) A transaction does not create a sale or a security interest in a
- (5) A transaction does not create a sale or a security interest in a vehicle, other than an all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a minibike, merely because it provides that the rental price is permitted or required to be adjusted under the agreement either upward or downward by reference to the amount realized upon sale or other disposition of the vehicle.
- (6) The county treasurer or the department, upon receipt of a lien instrument duly signed by the owner in the manner prescribed by law governing such lien instruments together with the fee prescribed for notation of lien, shall notify the first lienholder to deliver to the county treasurer or the department, within fifteen days after the date of notice, the certificate of title to permit notation of such other lien and, after notation of such other lien, the county treasurer or the department shall deliver the certificate of title to the first lienholder. The holder of a certificate of title who refuses to deliver a certificate of title to the county treasurer or the department for the purpose of showing such other lien on such certificate of title within fifteen days after the date of notice shall be liable for damages to such other lienholder for the amount of damages such other lienholder suffered by reason of the holder of the certificate of title refusing to permit the showing of such lien on the certificate of title.
- (7) <u>Upon</u> Beginning on the <u>implementation</u> date of the electronic title and lien system, upon receipt of a subsequent lien instrument duly signed by the owner in the manner prescribed by law governing such lien instruments or a notice of lien filed electronically, together with an application for notation of the subsequent lien, the fee prescribed in section 60-154, and, if a printed certificate of title exists, the presentation of the certificate of title, the county treasurer or department shall make notation of such other lien. If the certificate of title is not an electronic certificate of title record, the county treasurer or department, upon receipt of a lien instrument duly signed by the owner in the manner prescribed by law governing such lien instruments together with the fee prescribed for notation of lien, shall notify the first lienholder to deliver to the county treasurer or department, within fifteen days after the date of notice, the certificate of title to permit notation of such other lien. After such notation of lien, the lien shall become part of the electronic certificate of title record created by the county treasurer or department which is maintained on the electronic title and lien system. The holder of a certificate of title who refuses to deliver a certificate of title to the county treasurer or department for the purpose of noting such other lien on such certificate of title within fifteen days after the date when notified to do so shall be liable for damages to such other lienholder for the amount of damages such other lienholder suffered by reason of the holder of the certificate of title refusing to permit the noting of such lien on the certificate of title.

(8) When a lien is discharged, the holder shall, within fifteen days after payment is received, note a cancellation of the lien on the certificate of title over his, her, or its signature and deliver the certificate of title to the county treasurer or the department, which shall note the cancellation of the lien on the face of the certificate of title and on the records of such office. If delivered to a county treasurer, he or she shall on that day notify the department which shall note the cancellation on its records. The county treasurer or the department shall then return the certificate of title to the owner or as otherwise directed by the owner. The cancellation of lien shall be noted on the certificate of title without charge. For an electronic certificate of title record, the lienholder shall, within fifteen days after payment is received when such lien is discharged, notify the department electronically or provide written notice of such lien release, in a manner prescribed by the department, to the county treasurer or department. The department shall note the cancellation of lien and, if no other liens exist, issue the certificate of title to the owner or as otherwise directed by the owner or lienholder. If the holder of the title cannot locate a lienholder, a lien may be discharged ten years after the date of filing by presenting proof that thirty days have passed since the mailing of a written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last-known address of the lienholder.

Sec. 19. Beginning January 1, 2019, if a certificate of title is an electronic certificate of title record, upon application by an owner or a lienholder and payment of the fee prescribed in section 60-154, the following changes may be made to a certificate of title electronically and without

changes may be made to a certificate of title electronically and without printing a certificate of title:

(1) Changing the name of an owner to reflect a legal change of name;

(2) Removing the name of an owner with the consent of all owners and <u>lienholders; or</u>

(3) Adding an additional owner with the consent of all owners and <u>lienholders.</u>

Sec. 20. Section 60-166, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-166 (1) In the event of (a) the transfer of ownership of a vehicle by operation of law as upon inheritance, devise, or bequest, order in bankruptcy, insolvency, replevin, or execution sale or as provided in sections 30-24,125, 52-601.01 to 52-605, 60-1901 to 60-1911, and 60-2401 to 60-2411, (b) the engine of a vehicle being replaced by another engine, (c) a vehicle being sold to satisfy storage or repair charges, or (d) repossession being had upon default in performance of the terms of a chattel mortgage, trust receipt, conditional sales contract, or other like agreement, and upon acceptance of an electronic sales contract, or other like agreement, <u>and upon acceptance of an electronic certificate of title record after repossession</u>, in addition to the title <u>requirements in this section</u>, the county treasurer of any county or the department, upon the surrender of the prior certificate of title or the manufacturer's or importer's certificate, or when that is not possible, upon presentation of satisfactory proof of ownership and right of possession to such vehicle, and upon payment of the appropriate fee and the presentation of an application for certificate of title, may issue to the applicant a certificate of title thereto. If the prior certificate of title issued for such vehicle provided for joint ownership with right of survivorship, a new certificate of title shall be issued to a subsequent purchaser upon the assignment of the prior certificate of title by the surviving owner and presentation of satisfactory proof of death of the deceased owner. Only an affidavit by the person or agent of the person to whom possession of such vehicle has so passed, setting forth facts entitling him or her to such possession and ownership, setting forth facts entitling him or her to such possession and ownership, together with a copy of the journal entry, court order, or instrument upon which such claim of possession and ownership is founded, shall be considered satisfactory proof of ownership and right of possession, except that if the applicant cannot produce such proof of ownership, he or she may submit to the department such evidence as he or she may have, and the department may thereupon, if it finds the evidence sufficient, issue the certificate of title or authorize any county treasurer to issue a certificate of title, as the case may be.

(2) If from the records of the county treasurer or the department there appear to be any liens on such vehicle, such certificate of title shall comply with section 60-164 or 60-165 regarding such liens unless the application is accompanied by proper evidence of their satisfaction or extinction. Sec. 21. Section 60-168.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,

amended to read:

60-168.02 (1) When a motor vehicle, commercial trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer is purchased by a motor vehicle dealer or trailer dealer and the original assigned certificate of title has been lost or mutilated, the dealer selling such motor vehicle or trailer may apply for an original certificate of title in the dealer's name. The following documentation and fees shall be submitted by the dealer:

- (a) An application for a certificate of title in the name of such dealer;
- (b) A photocopy from the dealer's records of the front and back of the
- lost or mutilated original certificate of title assigned to a dealer;
 (c) A notarized affidavit from the purchaser of such motor vehicle or trailer for which the original assigned certificate of title was lost or mutilated stating that the original assigned certificate of title was lost or mutilated; and
 - (d) The appropriate certificate of title fee.
 - (2) The application and affidavit shall be on forms prescribed by the

department. When the motor vehicle dealer or trailer dealer receives the new certificate of title in such dealer's name and assigns it to the purchaser, the dealer shall record the original sale date and provide the purchaser with a copy of the front and back of the original lost or mutilated certificate of title as evidence as to why the purchase date of the motor vehicle or trailer is prior to the issue date of the new certificate of title.

Sec. 22. Section 60-192, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-192 The transferor of any motor vehicle of an age of less than ten years, which was equipped with an odometer by the manufacturer, shall provide to the transferee a statement, signed by the transferor, setting forth: (1) The mileage on the odometer at the time of transfer; and (2)(a) a statement that, to the transferor's best knowledge, such mileage is that actually driven by the to the transferor's best knowledge, such mileage is that actually driven by the motor vehicle, (b) a statement that the transferor has knowledge that the mileage shown on the odometer is in excess of the designated mechanical odometer limit, or (c) a statement that the odometer reading does not reflect the actual mileage and should not be relied upon because the transferor has knowledge that the odometer reading differs from the actual mileage and that the difference is greater than that caused by odometer calibration error. If a discrepancy exists between the odometer reading and the actual mileage, a warning notice to alert the transferee shall be included with the statement. The transferor shall retain a true copy of such statement for a period of five years from the date of the transaction. If motor vehicle ownership has been transferred by operation of law pursuant to repossession under subdivision (1) transferred by operation of law pursuant to repossession under subdivision (1) (d) of section 60-166, the mileage shall be listed as the odometer reading at the time of the most recent transfer of ownership prior to the repossession of the motor vehicle. The adjustment shall not be deemed a violation of section

Sec. 23. Section 60-301, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-301 Sections 60-301 to 60-3,231 <u>and sections 26, 60, and 61 of this act</u> shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Registration Act.

Sec. 24. Section 60-302, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-302 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections 60-302.01 to 60-360 and section 26 of this act shall be used.

Sec. 25. Section 60-317, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-317 Commercial trailer means any trailer or semitrailer which has a gross weight, including load thereon, of more than nine thousand pounds and which is designed, used, or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire, compensation, or profit or designed, used, or maintained primarily for the transportation of property. Commercial trailer does not include cabin trailers, farm trailers, fertilizer trailers, or utility trailers, or public power district trailers.

Sec. 26. <u>Licensed dealer means a motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, trailer dealer licensed under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.</u>
Sec. 27. Section 60-336.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016,

is amended to read:

60-336.01 Low-speed vehicle means a four-wheeled motor vehicle (1) whose speed attainable in one mile is more than twenty miles per hour and not more than twenty-five miles per hour on a paved, level surface, (2) whose gross vehicle weight rating is less than three thousand pounds, and (3) that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 571, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016.

Sec. 28. Section 60-363, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

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60-363 (1) No person shall operate or park a motor vehicle on the highways unless such motor vehicle at all times carries in or upon it, subject to inspection by any peace officer, the registration certificate issued for it.

- (2) No person shall tow or park a trailer on the highways unless the registration certificate issued for the trailer or a copy thereof is carried in or upon the trailer or in or upon the motor vehicle that is towing or parking the trailer, subject to inspection by any peace officer, except <u>as provided in</u> <u>subsection</u> (4) of this <u>section</u> and <u>except</u> fertilizer trailers as defined in section 60-326. The registration certificate for a fertilizer trailer shall be kept at the principal place of business of the owner of the fertilizer trailer.
- (3) In the case of a motorcycle, the registration certificate shall be carried either in plain sight, affixed to the motorcycle, or in the tool bag or some convenient receptacle attached to the motorcycle.
- (4) In the case of a motor vehicle or trailer operated by a public power district registered pursuant to section 60-3,228, the registration certificate shall be kept at the principal place of business of the public power district.
- Sec. 29. Section 60-372, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-372 (1) Each county shall issue and file registration certificates using the <u>Vehicle Title and Registration System which shall be provided and</u> maintained vehicle titling and registration computer system prescribed by the department.
- (2) The county treasurer may appoint an agent to issue registration certificates and to accept the payment of taxes and fees as provided in the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, upon approval of the county board. The agent shall furnish a bond in such amount and upon such conditions as determined by

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the county board.

Sec. 30. Section 60-385, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-385 Every owner of a motor vehicle or trailer required to be registered shall make application for registration to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer has situs. The application shall be by any means designated by the department. An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act may submit such application electronically to the appropriate county treasurer or the department. A salvage branded certificate of title and a nontransferable certificate of title provided for in section 60-170 shall not be valid for registration purposes.

Sec. 31. Section 60-386, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-386 (1) Each new application shall contain, in addition to other information as may be required by the department, the name and residential and mailing address of the applicant and a description of the motor vehicle or trailer, including the color, the manufacturer, the identification number, the United States Department of Transportation number if required by 49 C.F.R. 390.5 and 390.19, as such regulations existed on January 1, 2017 2016, and the weight of the motor vehicle or trailer required by the Motor Vehicle Registration Act. With the application the applicant shall pay the proper registration fee and shall state whether the motor vehicle is propelled by alternative fuel and, if alternative fuel, the type of fuel. The application shall also contain a notification that bulk fuel purchasers may be subject to federal excise tax liability. The department shall include such notification in the notices required by section 60-3,186.

(2) This subsection applies beginning on an implementation date designated by the director. The director shall designate an implementation date which is on or before January 1, 2020. In addition to the information required under subsection (1) of this section, the application for registration shall contain (a) the full legal name as defined in section 60-468.01 of each owner and (b) (i) the motor vehicle operator's license number or state identification card number of each owner, if applicable, and one or more of the identification elements as listed in section 60-484 of each owner, if applicable, and (ii) if any owner is a business entity, a nonprofit organization, an estate, a trust, or a church-controlled organization, its tax identification number.

Sec. 32. Section 60-393, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-393 Any owner who has two or more motor vehicles or trailers required to be registered under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act may register all such motor vehicles or trailers on a calendar-year basis or on an annual basis for the same registration period beginning in a month chosen by the owner. When electing to establish the same registration period for all such motor vehicles or trailers, the owner shall pay the registration fee, the motor vehicle tax imposed in section 60-3,185, the motor vehicle fee imposed in section 60-3,190, and the alternative fuel fee imposed in section 60-3,191 on each motor vehicle for the number of months necessary to extend its current registration period to the registration period under which all such motor vehicles or trailers will be registered. Credit shall be given for registration paid on each motor vehicle or trailer when the motor vehicle or trailer has a later expiration date than that chosen by the owner except as otherwise provided in sections 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,128, 60-3,224, and 60-3,227 and section 61 of this act. Thereafter all such motor vehicles or trailers shall be registered on an annual basis starting in the month chosen by the owner.

Sec. 33. Section 60-394, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-394 (1) Registration which is in the name of one spouse may be transferred to the other spouse for a fee of one dollar and fifty cents.

(2) So long as one registered name on a registration of a noncommercial motor vehicle or trailer remains the same, other names may be deleted therefrom or new names added thereto for a fee of one dollar and fifty cents.

(3) At any time prior to annual renewal beginning January 1, 2019, an owner may voluntarily update his or her address on the registration certificate upon payment of a fee of one dollar and fifty cents.

Sec. 34. Section 60-395, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-395 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this section and sections 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,128, 60-3,224, and 60-3,227 and section 61 of this act, the registration shall expire and the registered owner or lessee may, by returning the registration certificate, the license plates, and, when appropriate, the validation decals and by either making application on a form prescribed by the department to the county treasurer of the occurrence of an event described in subdivisions (a) through (e) of this subsection or, in the case of a change in situs, displaying to the county treasurer the registration certificate of such other state as evidence of a change in situs, receive a refund of that part of the unused fees and taxes on motor vehicles or trailers based on the number of unexpired months remaining in the registration period from the date of any of the following events:

(a) Upon transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle or trailer;

(b) In case of loss of possession because of fire, theft, dismantlement, or junking;

- (c) When a salvage branded certificate of title is issued;
- (d) Whenever a type or class of motor vehicle or trailer previously registered is subsequently declared by legislative act or court decision to be illegal or ineligible to be operated or towed on the public roads and no longer subject to registration fees, the motor vehicle tax imposed in section 60-3,185, the motor vehicle fee imposed in section 60-3,190, and the alternative fuel fee imposed in section 60-3,191;
- (e) Upon a trade-in or surrender of a motor vehicle under a lease; or (f) In case of a change in the situs of a motor vehicle or trailer to a location outside of this state.
- (2) If the date of the event falls within the same calendar month in which the motor vehicle or trailer is acquired, no refund shall be allowed for such
- (3) If the transferor or lessee acquires another motor vehicle at the time of the transfer, trade-in, or surrender, the transferor or lessee shall have the credit provided for in this section applied toward payment of the motor vehicle fees and taxes then owing. Otherwise, the transferor or lessee shall file a claim for refund with the county treasurer upon an application form prescribed by the department.
- (4) The registered owner or lessee shall make a claim for refund or credit of the fees and taxes for the unexpired months in the registration period within sixty days after the date of the event or shall be deemed to have forfeited his or her right to such refund or credit.
- (5) For purposes of this section, the date of the event shall be: (a) In the case of a transfer or loss, the date of the transfer or loss; (b) in the case of a change in the situs, the date of registration in another state; (c) in the case of a trade-in or surrender under a lease, the date of trade-in or surrender; (d) in the case of a legislative act, the effective date of the act;
- and (e) in the case of a court decision, the date the decision is rendered.

 (6) Application for registration or for reassignment of license plates and, when appropriate, validation decals to another motor vehicle or trailer
- shall be made within thirty days of the date of purchase.

 (7) If a motor vehicle or trailer was reported stolen under section 60-178, a refund under this section shall not be reduced for a lost plate charge and a credit under this section may be reduced for a lost plate charge but the applicant shall not be required to pay the plate fee for new plates.
- The county treasurer shall refund the motor vehicle fee registration fee from the fees which have not been transferred to the State Treasurer. The county treasurer shall make payment to the claimant from the undistributed motor vehicle taxes of the taxing unit where the tax money was originally distributed. No refund of less than two dollars shall be paid. Sec. 35. Section 60-396, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

60-396 Whenever the registered owner files an application with the county treasurer showing that a motor vehicle or trailer is disabled and has been removed from service, the registered owner may, by returning the registration certificate, the license plates, and, when appropriate, the validation decals or, in the case of the unavailability of such registration certificate or certificates, license plates, or validation decals, then by making an affidavit certificates, license plates, or validation decals, then by making an affidavit to the county treasurer of such disablement and removal from service, receive a credit for a portion of the registration fee from the fee deposited with the State Treasurer at the time of registration based upon the number of unexpired months remaining in the registration year except as otherwise provided in sections 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,128, 60-3,224, and 60-3,227 and section 61 of this act. The owner shall also receive a credit for the unused portion of the motor vehicle tax and fee based upon the number of unexpired months remaining in the registration year. When the owner registers a replacement motor vehicle or trailer at the time of filing such affidavit, the credit may be immediately applied against the registration fee and the motor vehicle tax and fee for the replacement motor vehicle or trailer. When no such replacement motor vehicle or trailer is so registered, the county treasurer shall forward the application and affidavit, if any, to the State Treasurer who shall determine the amount, if any, of the allowable credit for the registration fee and issue a credit certificate to the owner. For the motor vehicle tax and fee, the county treasurer shall determine the amount, if any, of the allowable credit and issue a credit certificate to the owner. When such motor vehicle or trailer is removed from service within the same month in which it was registered, no credits shall be allowed for such month. The credits may be applied against taxes and fees for new or replacement motor vehicles or trailers incurred within one year after cancellation of registration of the motor vehicle or trailer for which the credits were allowed. When any such motor vehicle or trailer is reregistered within the same registration year in which its registration has been canceled, the taxes and fees shall be that portion of the registration fee and the motor vehicle tax and fee for the remainder of the registration year.

Sec. 36. Section 60-3,104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
60-3,104 The department shall issue the following types of license plates:

- (1) Amateur radio station license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,126;
- Apportionable vehicle license plates issued pursuant (2) to section 60-3,203;
 - (3) Autocycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;

- (4) Boat dealer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-379;
- (5) Breast Cancer Awareness Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,230 and 60-3,231;
 - (6) Bus license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,144;
- (7) Commercial motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,147;
- (8) Dealer or manufacturer license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,114 and 60-3,115;
 - (9) Disabled veteran license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,124;
 - (10) Farm trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;
 - (11) Farm truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;
- (12) Farm trucks with a gross weight of over sixteen tons license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;
- (13)Fertilizer trailer license plates issued pursuant 60-3,151;
- Gold Star Family license plates issued pursuant (14)to sections 60-3,122.01 and 60-3,122.02;
- (15) Handicapped or disabled person license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,113;
- (16) Historical vehicle license plates issued pursuant to 60-3,130 to 60-3,134;
 - (17) Local truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,145;
- (18) Military Honor Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,122.03 and 60-3,122.04;
 - (19) Minitruck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;
- (20) Motor vehicle license plates for motor vehicles owned or operated by the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts issued pursuant to section 60-3,105;
 - (21) Motor vehicles exempt pursuant to section 60-3,107;
- (22) Motorcycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100; (23) Mountain Lion Conservation Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,226 and 60-3,227;
- (24) Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates issued pursuant to sections 60 and 61 of this act;
- (25) (24) Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,127 to 60-3,129;
- (26) (25) Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,223 to 60-3,225;
- (27) (26) Nonresident owner thirty-day license plates issued pursuant to section 60-382;
- (28) (27) Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less not used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than not autocycles;
- (29) (28) Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less and used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than autocycles;
 - (30) (29) Pearl Harbor license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,122; (31) (30) Personal-use dealer license plates issued pursuant to section
- 60-3,116;
- (32) (31) Personalized message license plates for motor vehicles and cabin trailers, except commercial motor vehicles registered for weight, issued pursuant to sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121; except commercial motor vehicles registered for over ten tons gross
- (33) (32) Prisoner-of-war license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,123;
- (34) (33) Public power district license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,228;
 - (35) (34) Purple Heart license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,125;
- (36) (35) Recreational vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;
 - (37) (36) Repossession license plates issued pursuant to section 60-375;
- (38) (37) Special interest motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,135.01;
- (39) (38) Specialty license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,104.01 and 60-3,104.02;
- (40) (39) Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or operated by state, counties, municipalities, or school districts issued pursuant to section 60-3,106;
 - (41) (40) Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;
- (42) (41) Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or operated by a public power district pursuant to section 60-3,228; (43) (42) Trailers exempt pursuant to section 60-3,108;
- (44) (43) Transporter license plates issued pursuant to section 60-378; (45) (44) Trucks or combinations of trucks, truck-tractors, or trailers which are not for hire and engaged in soil and water conservation work and used for the purpose of transporting pipe and equipment exclusively used by such contractors for soil and water conservation construction license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,149;
- (46) (45) Utility trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151; and
- (47) (46) Well-boring apparatus and well-servicing equipment license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,109. Sec. 37. Section 60-3,104.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read:
 - 60-3,104.01 (1) A person may apply for specialty license plates in lieu of

regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department pursuant to section 60-3,104.02 for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for motor vehicles or trailers registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a specialty license plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or for a commercial motor vehicle registered for a gross weight of five tons or over shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications. Each application for initial issuance or renewal of specialty license plates shall be accompanied by a fee of seventy dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit fifteen percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of specialty license plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and eighty-five percent of the fee to the Highway Trust Fund.

- (2) <u>Until January 1, 2019, when</u> When the department receives an application for specialty license plates, it shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle, trailer, <u>or</u> semitrailer, <u>or cabin trailer</u> is registered. <u>Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for specialty license plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant</u> department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and <u>system.</u> The county treasurer <u>or the department</u> shall issue specialty license plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of law for registration of the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer. If specialty license plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates pursuant to
- section 60-3,157.

 (3)(a) The owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer bearing specialty license plates may make application to the county treasurer to have such specialty license plates transferred to a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer other than the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer is owned by the owner of the specialty license plates.

 (b) The owner may have the unused portion of the specialty license plate
- fee credited to the other motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer which will bear the specialty license plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration
- (c) Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

 Sec. 38. Section 60-3,113.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,113.04 (1) A handicapped or disabled parking permit shall be of a design, size, configuration, color, and construction and contain such information as specified in the regulations adopted by the United States Department of Transportation in 23 C.F.R. part 1235, UNIFORM SYSTEM FOR PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, as such regulations existed on January 1, 2017 2016.
- (2) No handicapped or disabled parking permit shall be issued to any person or for any motor vehicle if any permit has been issued to such person or for such motor vehicle and such permit has been suspended pursuant to section 18-1741.02. At the expiration of such suspension, a permit may be renewed in the manner provided for renewal in sections 60-3,113.02, 60-3,113.03, and 60-3,113.05.
- (3) A duplicate handicapped or disabled parking permit may be provided up to two times during any single permit period if a permit is destroyed, lost, or stolen. Such duplicate permit shall be issued as provided in section 60-3,113.02 or 60-3,113.03, whichever is applicable, except that a new certification by a physician, a physician assistant, or an advanced practice registered nurse need not be provided. A duplicate permit shall be valid for the remainder of the period for which the original permit was issued. If a person has been issued two duplicate permits under this subsection and needs another permit, such person shall reapply for a new permit under section 60-3,113.02 or 60-3,113.03, whichever is applicable.

 Sec. 39. Section 60-3,118, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016,
- is amended to read:
- 60-3,118 (1) In lieu of the license plates provided for by section 60-3,100, the department shall issue personalized message license plates for motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers, or cabin trailers, except for motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198, to all applicants who meet the requirements of sections 60-3,119 to 60-3,121. Personalized message license plates shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100. The characters used shall consist only of letters and numerals of the same size and design and shall comply with the requirements of subdivision (1)(a) of section 60-3,100. A maximum of seven characters may be used, except that for an autocycle or a motorcycle, a maximum of six characters may be used.
- (2) The following conditions apply to all personalized message license plates:

- (a) County prefixes shall not be allowed except in counties using the alphanumeric system for motor vehicle registration. The numerals in the county prefix shall be the numerals assigned to the county, pursuant to subsection (2) of section 60-370, in which the motor vehicle or cabin trailer is registered. Renewal of a personalized message license plate containing a county prefix shall be conditioned upon the motor vehicle or cabin trailer being registered in such county. The numerals in the county prefix, including the hyphen or any other unique design for an existing license plate style, count against the maximum number of characters allowed under this section;
- (b) The characters in the order used shall not conflict with or duplicate any number used or to be used on the regular license plates or any number or license plate already approved pursuant to sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121;

 (c) The characters in the order used shall not express, connote, or imply any obscene or objectionable words or abbreviations; and
- (d) An applicant receiving a personalized message license plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or a commercial truck or truck-tractor with a gross weight of five tons or over shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to such license plate.
- (3) The department shall have sole authority to determine if conditions prescribed in subsection (2) of this section have been met.
- Sec. 40. Section 60-3,120, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,120 <u>Until January 1, 2019, when</u> the department approves an application for personalized message license plates, it shall notify the applicant and deliver the license plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or cabin trailer is to be registered. Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department approves an application for personalized message license plates, the department shall notify the applicant and deliver the license plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is to be registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall deliver such plates to the applicant, in lieu of regular license plates, when the applicant complies with the other provisions of law for registration of the motor vehicle or cabin trailer.
- Sec. 41. Section 60-3,121, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, is amended to read:
- 60-3,121 (1) The owner of a motor vehicle or cabin trailer bearing personalized message license plates may make application to the county treasurer to have such license plates transferred to a motor vehicle or cabin trailer other than the motor vehicle or cabin trailer for which such license plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or cabin trailer is owned by the owner of the license plates.
- (2) The owner may have the unused portion of the message plate fee credited to the other motor vehicle or cabin trailer which will bear the license plate at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period.
- (3) Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. The fees shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- Sec. 42. Section 60-3,122, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,122 (1) Any person may, in addition to the application required by section 60-385, apply to the department for license plates designed by the department to indicate that he or she is a survivor of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor if he or she:
 - (a) Was a member of the United States Armed Forces on December 7, 1941;
- (b) Was on station on December 7, 1941, during the hours of 7:55 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Hawaii time at Pearl Harbor, the island of Oahu, or offshore at a distance not to exceed three miles;
- (c) Was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable from the United States Armed Forces; and
- (d) Holds a current membership in a Nebraska Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.
- (2) The license plates shall be issued upon the applicant paying the regular license fee and furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the applicant fulfills the requirements provided by subsection (1) of this section. Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers, or cabin trailers owned by the applicant may be so licensed at any one time. Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198 shall not be so licensed.
- (3) If the license plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued replacement license plates upon request and without charge.
- Sec. 43. Section 60-3,122.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,122.02 (1) A person may apply to the department for Gold Star Family plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a Gold Star Family plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications

through the county treasurers. The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the license fee described in subsection (2) of this section and furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the applicant is a surviving spouse, whether remarried or not, or an ancestor, including a stepparent, a descendant, including a stepchild, a foster parent or a person in loco parentis, or a sibling of a person who died while in good standing on active duty in the military service of the United States.

- (2)(a) Each application for initial issuance of consecutively numbered Gold Star Family plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. An application for renewal of such plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. County treasurers collecting fees for renewals pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit five dollars of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of such plates to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.
- (b) Each application for initial issuance of personalized message Gold Star Family plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. An application for renewal of such plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers collecting fees for renewals pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of such plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.
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 (3) Until January 1, 2019, when When the department receives an application for Gold Star Family plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or cabin trailer is registered. Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for Gold Star Family plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue Gold Star Family plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or cabin trailer. If Gold Star Family plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request and without charge.
- (4) The owner of a motor vehicle or cabin trailer bearing Gold Star Family plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle other than the vehicle for which such plates were originally purchased if such vehicle is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other vehicle which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (5) If the cost of manufacturing Gold Star Family plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of Gold Star Family plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.

Sec. 44. Section 60-3,122.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-3,122.04 (1) An Beginning January 2, 2016, an eligible person may apply to the department for Military Honor Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a Military Honor Plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers. The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the license fee described in subsection (2) of this section and verification by the department of an applicant's eligibility using the registry established by the Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section 80-414. To be eligible an applicant shall be (a) active duty armed forces personnel serving in any of the armed forces listed in subsection (1) of section 60-3,122.03 or (b) a veteran of any of such armed forces who was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions). Any person using Military Honor Plates shall surrender the plates to the county treasurer if such person is no longer eligible for the plates. Regular plates shall be issued to any such person upon surrender of the Military Honor Plates for a three-dollar transfer fee and forfeiture of any of the remaining annual fee. The three-dollar transfer fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

(2)(a) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or renewal of alphanumeric Military Honor Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision

shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit five

- dollars of the fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund. (b) In addition to all other fees required for registration under Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or renewal of personalized message Military Honor Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of such plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.
- (3) Until January 1, 2019, when When the Department of Motor Vehicles receives an application for Military Honor Plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or cabin trailer is registered. Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for Military Honor Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall <u>be made through a secure process and system.</u> The county treasurer <u>or the department</u> shall issue Military Honor Plates in lieu of regular license plates
- department shall issue Military Honor Plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or cabin trailer. If Military Honor Plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request pursuant to section 60-3,157.

 (4) The owner of a motor vehicle or cabin trailer bearing Military Honor Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle or trailer other than the motor vehicle or trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or trailer is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other motor vehicle or trailer which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (5) If the cost of manufacturing Military Honor Plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of Military Honor Plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation
- (6) If the director discovers evidence of fraud in an application for Military Honor Plates or that the holder is no longer eligible to have Military Honor Plates, the director may summarily cancel the plates and registration and send notice of the cancellation to the holder of the license plates. Sec. 45. Section 60-3,123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016,
- is amended to read:
- 60-3,123 (1) Any person who was captured and incarcerated by an enemy of the United States during a period of conflict with such enemy and who was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable from or is currently serving in the United States Armed Forces may, in addition to the
- application required in section 60-385, apply to the department for license plates designed to indicate that he or she is a former prisoner of war.

 (2) The license plates shall be issued upon the applicant paying the regular license fee and furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the applicant was formerly a prisoner of war. Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers, or cabin trailers owned by the applicant may be so licensed at any one time. Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3 198 shall not be so licensed 60-3,198 shall not be so licensed.
- (3) If the license plates issued under this section are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the license plates shall be issued replacement license plates upon request and without charge.
- Sec. 46. Section 60-3,124, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,124 (1) Any person who is a veteran of the United States Armed Forces, who was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions), and who is classified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as one hundred percent serviceconnected disabled may, in addition to the application required in section 60-385, apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for license plates designed by the department to indicate that the applicant is a disabled veteran. The inscription on the license plates shall be D.A.V. immediately below the license plate number to indicate that the holder of the license plates is a disabled
- (2) The plates shall be issued upon the applicant paying the regular license fee and furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the applicant is a disabled veteran. Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers, or cabin trailers owned by the applicant may be so licensed at any one time. Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198 shall not be so licensed.
 - (3) If the license plates issued under this section are lost, stolen, or

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mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued replacement license plates as provided in section 60-3,157.

Sec. 47. Section 60-3,125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

- 60-3,125 (1) Any person may, in addition to the application required by section 60-385, apply to the department for license plates designed by the department to indicate that the applicant has received from the federal government an award of a Purple Heart. The inscription of the plates shall be designed so as to include a facsimile of the award and beneath any numerical designation upon the plates pursuant to section 60-370 the words Purple Heart separately on one line and the words Combat Wounded on the line below.

 (2) The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the regular license
- (2) The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the regular license fee and furnishing proof satisfactory to the department that the applicant was awarded the Purple Heart. Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers, or cabin trailers owned by the applicant may be so licensed at any one time. Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198 shall not be so licensed.
- (3) If license plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued replacement license plates upon request and without charge.
- Sec. 48. Section 60-3,126, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 60-3,126 (1) Any person who holds an unrevoked and unexpired amateur radio station license issued by the Federal Communications Commission and is the owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198, may, in addition to the application required by section 60-385, apply to the department for license plates upon which shall be inscribed the official amateur radio call letters of such applicant.
- (2) Such license plates shall be issued, in lieu of the usual numbers and letters, to such an applicant upon payment of the regular license fee and the payment of an additional fee of five dollars and furnishing proof that the applicant holds such an unrevoked and unexpired amateur radio station license. The additional fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund. Only one such motor vehicle or trailer owned by an applicant shall be so registered at any one time.
- Highway Trust Fund. Only one such motor vehicle or trailer owned by an applicant shall be so registered at any one time.

 (3) An applicant applying for renewal of amateur radio station license plates shall again furnish proof that he or she holds an unrevoked and unexpired amateur radio station license issued by the Federal Communications Commission.
- (4) The department shall prescribe the size and design of the license plates and furnish such plates to the persons applying for and entitled to the same upon the payment of the required fee.
- Sec. 49. Section 60-3,128, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,128 (1) A person may apply to the department for Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for motor vehicles or trailers registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a spirit plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or for a commercial motor vehicle registered for a gross weight of five tons or over shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the spirit plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers. Each application for initial issuance or renewal of spirit plates shall be accompanied by a fee of seventy dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit forty-three percent of the fees for initial issuance and renewal of spirit plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. The State Treasurer shall credit fifty-seven percent of the fees to the Spirit Plate Proceeds Fund until the fund has been credited five million dollars from such fees and thereafter to the Highway Trust Fund.
- (2) <u>Until January 1, 2019, when</u> When the department receives an application for spirit plates, it shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or <u>cabin</u> trailer is registered. <u>Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for spirit plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue spirit plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of law for registration of the motor vehicle or cabin trailer. If spirit plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates pursuant to section 60-3,157.</u>
- (3)(a) The owner of a motor vehicle or cabin trailer bearing spirit plates may make application to the county treasurer to have such spirit plates transferred to a motor vehicle or cabin trailer other than the motor vehicle or cabin trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or cabin trailer is owned by the owner of the spirit plates.
- cabin trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or cabin trailer is owned by the owner of the spirit plates.
 (b) The owner may have the unused portion of the spirit plate fee credited to the other motor vehicle or cabin trailer which will bear the spirit plate at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in

the registration period.

(c) Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

Sec. 50. Section 60-3,130.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

- 60-3,130.04 (1) An owner of a historical vehicle eligible for registration under section 60-3,130 may use a license plate or plates designed by this state in the year corresponding to the model year when the vehicle was manufactured in lieu of the plates designed pursuant to section 60-3,130.03 subject to the approval of the department. The department shall inspect the plate or plates and may approve the plate or plates if it is determined that the model-year license plate or plates are legible and serviceable and that the license plate numbers do not conflict with or duplicate other numbers assigned and in use. An original-issued license plate or plates that have been restored to original condition may be used when approved by the department.
- (2) The department may consult with a recognized car club in determining whether the year of the license plate or plates to be used corresponds to the model year when the vehicle was manufactured.
- (3) If only one license plate is used on the vehicle, the license plate shall be placed on the rear of the vehicle. The owner of a historical vehicle may use only one plate on the vehicle even for years in which two license plates were issued for vehicles in general.
- (4) License plates used pursuant to this section corresponding to the year of manufacture of the vehicle shall not be personalized message license plates, Pearl Harbor license plates, prisoner-of-war license plates, disabled veteran license plates, Purple Heart license plates, amateur radio station license plates, Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates, handicapped or disabled person license plates, specialty license plates, special interest motor vehicle license plates, Military Honor Plates, Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates, Breast Cancer Awareness Plates, or Mountain Lion Conservation Plates, or Native
- American Cultural Awareness and History Plates.

 Sec. 51. Section 60-3,135.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
 2016, is amended to read:

 60-3,135.01 (1) The department shall either modify an existing plate design or design license plates to identify special interest motor vehicles, to be known as special interest motor vehicle license plates. The department, in designing such special interest motor vehicle license plates, shall include the words special interest and limit the manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or equal to the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102. The department shall choose the design of the plate. The department shall make applications available for this type of plate when it is designed.
- (2) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be alphanumeric plates. The department shall:
 - (a) Assign a designation up to seven characters; and
 - (b) Not use a county designation.
- (3) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be personalized message plates. Such plates shall be issued subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message license plates in section 60-3,118.
- (4) A person may apply to the department for a special interest motor vehicle license plate in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any special interest motor vehicle, except that no motor vehicle registered under section 60-3,198, autocycle, motorcycle, or trailer shall be eligible for special interest motor vehicle license plates. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers.
- (5) The form shall contain a description of the special interest motor vehicle owned and sought to be registered, including the make, body type, model, serial number, and year of manufacture.
- (6)(a) In addition to all other fees required to register a motor vehicle, each application for initial issuance or renewal of a special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be accompanied by a special interest motor vehicle license plate fee of fifty dollars. Twenty-five dollars of the special interest motor vehicle license plate fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund, and twenty-five dollars of the special interest motor vehicle license plate fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

 (b) If a special interest motor vehicle license plate is lost, stolen, or mutilated, the owner shall be issued a replacement license plate pursuant to
- section 60-3,157.
- (7) <u>Until January 1, 2019, when</u> when the department receives an application for a special interest motor vehicle license plate, the department shall deliver the plate to the county treasurer of the county in which the special interest motor vehicle is registered. <u>Beginning January 1, 2019, when</u> the department receives an application for a special interest motor vehicle license plate, the department may deliver the plate and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the special interest motor vehicle is registered and the delivery of the plate and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue the special interest motor vehicle license plate in lieu of regular license

plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the special interest motor

- (8) If the cost of manufacturing special interest motor vehicle license plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund under this section shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of special interest motor vehicle license plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such license plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

 (9) The special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be affixed to
- the rear of the special interest motor vehicle.
- (10) A special interest motor vehicle shall not be used for purposes and under the same conditions as other motor vehicles of the same type and shall not be used for business or occupation or regularly for transportation to and from work. A special interest motor vehicle may be driven
- on the public streets and roads only for occasional transportation, public displays, parades, and related pleasure or hobby activities.

 (11) It shall be unlawful to own or operate a motor vehicle with special interest motor vehicle license plates in violation of this section. Upon conviction of a violation of any provision of this section, a person shall be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor.
- (12) For purposes of this section, special interest motor vehicle means a motor vehicle of any age which is being collected, preserved, restored, or maintained by the owner as a leisure pursuit and not used for general transportation of persons or cargo.
- Sec. 52. Section 60-3,141, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,141 (1) The various county treasurers shall act as agents for the department in the collection of all motor vehicle taxes, motor vehicle fees, and registration fees. An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act may collect all such taxes and fees as agent for the appropriate county treasurer and the department in a manner provided by such system.
- (2) While acting as agents pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the county treasurers or any approved licensed dealers participating in the electronic dealer services system shall in addition to the taxes and registration fees collect one dollar and fifty cents for each registration of a motor vehicle or trailer of a resident of the State of Nebraska and four dollars and fifty cents for each registration of a motor vehicle or trailer of a nonresident. The county treasurer shall credit such additional fees collected by the county treasurer or any approved licensed dealer participating in the <u>electronic dealer services system</u> for the county to the county general fund <u>in a manner provided by such system</u>.
- (3) The county treasurers shall transmit all motor vehicle fees and registration fees collected <u>pursuant to this section</u> to the State Treasurer on or before the <u>twentieth</u> <u>twenty-fifth</u> day of each month and at such other times as the State Treasurer requires for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fee Fund and the Highway Trust Fund, respectively, except as provided in section 60-3,156. Any county treasurer who fails to transfer to the State Treasurer the amount due the state at the times required in this section shall pay interest at the rate specified in section 45-104.02, as such rate may be adjusted from time to time, from the time the motor vehicle fees and registration fees become due until paid until paid.
- (4) If a registrant requests delivery of license plates, registration certificates, or validation decals by mail, the county treasurer may charge a postage and handling fee in an amount not more than necessary to recover the cost of postage and handling for the specific items mailed to the registrant.

 Sec. 53. Section 60-3,151, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amonded to read:
- is amended to read:
- 60-3,151 (1) For the registration of any commercial trailer
- semitrailer, the fee shall be one dollar.

 (2) The fee for utility trailers shall be one dollar for each one thousand pounds gross vehicle weight or fraction thereof, up to and including nine thousand pounds. <u>Utility Except as provided in section 60-3,228</u>, utility trailer license plates shall display, in addition to the registration number, the letter X. Trailers other than farm trailers or trailers registered under section 60-3,228 of more than nine thousand pounds must be registered as commercial trailers.
- (3) The fee for cabin trailers having gross vehicle weight of one thousand pounds or less shall be nine dollars and more than one thousand pounds, but less than two thousand pounds, shall be twelve dollars. Cabin trailers having a gross vehicle weight of two thousand pounds or more shall be registered for a fee of fifteen dollars.
- (4) Recreational vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of eight thousand pounds or less shall be registered for a fee of eighteen dollars, those having a gross vehicle weight of more than eight thousand pounds but less than twelve thousand pounds shall be registered for thirty dollars, and those having a gross vehicle weight of twelve thousand pounds or over shall be registered for forty-two dollars. When living quarters are added to a registered truck, a recreational vehicle registration may be obtained without surrender of the truck registration, in which event both the truck and recreational vehicle

license plates shall be displayed on the vehicle. Recreational vehicle license plates shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100.

- (5) Farm trailers shall be licensed for a fee of one dollar, except that when a farm trailer is used with a registered farm truck, such farm trailer may, at the option of the owner, be registered as a separate unit for a fee of three dollars per ton gross vehicle weight and, if so registered, shall not be considered a truck and trailer combination for purposes of sections 60-3,145 and 60-3,146. Farm trailer license plates shall display, in addition to the registration number, the letter X.
- registration number, the letter X.

 (6) Fertilizer trailers shall be registered for a fee of one dollar. Fertilizer trailer license plates shall display, in addition to the registration number, the letter X.
- (7) Trailers used to haul poles and cable reels owned and operated exclusively by public utility companies or trailers used by public power districts and registered pursuant to section 60-3,228 shall be licensed at a fee based on two dollars for each one-thousand-pound load to be hauled or any fraction thereof, and such load shall not exceed sixteen thousand pounds.
- Sec. 54. Section 60-3,184, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
 - 60-3,184 For purposes of sections 60-3,184 to 60-3,190:
- (1) Automobile means passenger cars, trucks, utility vehicles, and vans up to and including seven tons;
- (2) Motor vehicle means every motor vehicle, and trailer, and semitrailer subject to the payment of registration fees or permit fees under the laws of this state and every cabin trailer registered for operation upon the highways of this state;
- (3) Motor vehicle fee means the fee imposed upon motor vehicles under section 60-3,190;
- (4) Motor vehicle tax means the tax imposed upon motor vehicles under section 60-3,185; and
- (5) Registration period means the period from the date of registration pursuant to section 60-392 to the first day of the month following one year after such date.
- Sec. 55. Section 60-3,193.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,193.01 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the International Registration Plan is adopted and incorporated by reference as the plan existed on January 1, 2017 2016.

 Sec. 56. Section 60-3,224, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016,
- Sec. 56. Section 60-3,224, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,224 (1) Beginning October 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2022, a person may apply to the department for Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, or cabin trailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a plate under this section for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers.
- (2) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of seventy dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit fifteen percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of plates under subsection (3) of section 60-3,223 to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and eighty-five percent of such fee to the Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plate Proceeds Fund. The State Treasurer shall credit forty-three percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of plates under subsection (4) of section 60-3,223 to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and fifty-seven percent of such fee to the Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plate Proceeds Fund.
- (3) Until January 1, 2019, when When the department receives an application for Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or eabin trailer is registered. Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue plates under this section in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or cabin trailer. If plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates pursuant to section 60-3,157.
- (4) The owner of a motor vehicle or eabin trailer bearing Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle or eabin trailer other than the motor vehicle or trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or trailer is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other motor vehicle or trailer which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent

per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. The State Treasurer shall credit fees collected pursuant to this subsection to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

- (5) Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates shall not be issued or renewed beginning on January 1, 2023.
- Sec. 57. Section 60-3,227, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016,
- is amended to read:
 60-3,227 (1) Beginning October 1, 2016, a person may apply to the department for Mountain Lion Conservation Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, or cabin trailer, or semitrailer, except for a motor vehicle, or cabin trailer, or semitrailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a Mountain Lion Conservation Plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers. The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the license fee described in subsection (2) of this section.

 (2)(a) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance of alphanumeric Mountain Lien Conservation Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of
- alphanumeric Mountain Lion Conservation Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. An application for renewal of such plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit five dollars of the fee to the Game and Parks Commission Educational Fund.
- (b) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or renewal of personalized message Mountain Lion Conservation Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of such plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Game and Parks Commission Educational
- <u>2019, when</u> When the department <u>Until</u> January 1, application for Mountain Lion Conservation Plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle, orcabin trailer<u>, or semitrailer</u> is registered. <u>Beginning January 1,</u> the department receives an application for Mountain Lion Conservation Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue Mountain Lion Conservation Plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle, or cabin trailer, or semitrailer. If Mountain Lion Conservation Plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request pursuant to section
- (4) The owner of a motor vehicle, or cabin trailer, or semitrailer bearing Mountain Lion Conservation Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle other than the vehicle for which such plates were originally purchased if such vehicle is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other vehicle which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (5) If the cost of manufacturing Mountain Lion Conservation Plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Game and Parks Commission Educational Fund shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of Mountain Lion Conservation Plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Game and Parks Commission Educational Fund.
- Sec. 58. Section 60-3,229, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,229 The registration fee for a public power district motor vehicle shall be the fee provided for commercial motor vehicles in section 60-3,147. The registration fee for a public power district trailer shall be the fee provided for a trailer in subsection (2) or (7), as applicable, of section 60-3,151.
- Sec. 59. Section 60-3,231, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,231 (1) Beginning January 1, 2017, a person may apply to the department for Breast Cancer Awareness Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a plate under this

section for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms

- available for such applications through the county treasurers.

 (2) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or renewal of personalized message Breast Cancer Awareness Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. No such additional fee shall be due for the initial issuance or renewal of alphanumeric Breast Cancer Awareness Plates. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subsection shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee to the Highway Trust Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (3) <u>Until January 1, 2019, when</u> the department receives an application for Breast Cancer Awareness Plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered. <u>Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives</u> an application for Breast Cancer Awareness Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue plates under this section in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or trailer. If Breast Cancer Awareness Plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request pursuant to section
- (4) The owner of a motor vehicle or trailer bearing Breast Cancer Awareness Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle or trailer other than the motor vehicle or trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or trailer is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other motor vehicle or trailer which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit
- to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

 Sec. 60. (1) The department, in consultation with the Commission on Indian Affairs, shall design license plates to be known as Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates. The design shall reflect the unique culture and history of Native American tribes historically and currently located in Nebraska. The design shall be selected on the basis of limiting the manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or equal to the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102. The department shall make applications available for this type of plate by January 1, 2018. The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out this section and section 61 of this act.
- (2) One type of Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates shall be alphanumeric plates. The department shall:
 - (a) Assign a designation up to five characters; and
- (b) Not use a county designation.

 (3) One type of Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates shall be personalized message plates. Such plates shall be issued subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message license plates in section 60-3,118, except that a maximum of five characters may be used.
- Sec. 61. (1) Beginning January 1, 2018, a person may apply department for Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates in lieu of regular license plates on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor vehicle or trailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate. The department shall make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers. The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the license fee described in subsection (2) of this section.

 (2)(a) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the
- <u>Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or</u> renewal of alphanumeric Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of five dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit five dollars of the fee to the Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund.
- (b) In addition to all other fees required for registration under the Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance or renewal of personalized message Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee for initial issuance and renewal of such plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund.
 - (3) Until January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for

Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates, the department shall deliver the plates to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered. Beginning January 1, 2019, when the department receives an application for Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and system. The county treasurer or the department shall issue Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or trailer. If Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request pursuant to section 60-3,157.

(4) The owner of a motor vehicle or trailer bearing Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred to a motor vehicle or trailer other than the motor vehicle or trailer for which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or trailer is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other motor vehicle or trailer which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

(5) If the cost of manufacturing Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates at any time exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing costs of Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect to such plates and the remainder shall be credited to the Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund.

Sec. 62. Section 60-462.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-462.01 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the following federal regulations are adopted as Nebraska law as they existed on January 1, $\underline{2017}$ $\underline{2016}$:

The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as referenced in the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act.

Sec. 63. Section 60-479.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-479.01 (1) All persons handling source documents or engaged in the issuance of new, renewed, or reissued operators' licenses or state identification cards shall have periodic fraudulent document recognition training.

- (2) All persons and agents of the department involved in the recording of verified application information or verified operator's license and state identification card information, involved in the manufacture or production of licenses or cards, or who have the ability to affect information on such licenses or cards shall be subject to a criminal history record information check, including a check of prior employment references, and a lawful status check as required by 6 C.F.R. part 37, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016. Such persons and agents shall provide fingerprints which shall be submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The bureau shall use its records for the criminal history record information check.
- (3) Upon receipt of a request pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, the Nebraska State Patrol shall undertake a search for criminal history record information relating to such applicant, including transmittal of the applicant's fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history record information check. The criminal history record information check shall include information concerning the applicant from federal repositories of such information and repositories of such information in other states, if authorized by federal law. The Nebraska State Patrol shall issue a report to the employing public agency that shall include the criminal history record information concerning the applicant. The cost of any background check shall be borne by the employer of the person or agent.
- (4) Any person convicted of any disqualifying offense as provided in 6 C.F.R. part 37, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016, shall not be involved in the recording of verified application information or verified operator's license and state identification card information, involved in the manufacture or production of licenses or cards, or involved in any capacity in which such person would have the ability to affect information on such licenses or cards. Any employee or prospective employee of the department shall be provided notice that he or she will undergo such criminal history record information check prior to employment or prior to any involvement with the issuance of operators' licenses or state identification cards.

Sec. 64. Section 60-483, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-483 (1) The director shall assign a distinguishing number to each operator's license issued and shall keep a record of the same which shall be open to public inspection by any person requesting inspection of such record

who qualifies under section 60-2906 or 60-2907. Any person requesting such driver record information shall furnish to the Department of Motor Vehicles (a) verification of identity and purpose that the requester is entitled under section 60-2906 or 60-2907 to disclosure of the personal information in the record, (b) the name of the person whose record is being requested, and (c) when the name alone is insufficient to identify the correct record, the department may request additional identifying information. The department shall, upon request of any requester, furnish a certified abstract of the operating record of any person, in either hard copy or electronically, and shall charge the requester a fee of three dollars per abstract.

- (2) The department shall remit any revenue generated under subsections (1) through (5) of this section to the State Treasurer, and the State Treasurer shall credit eight and one-third percent to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund, fifty-eight and one-third percent to the General Fund, and thirty-three and one-third percent to the Records Management Cash Fund.
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 (3) The director shall, upon receiving a request and an agreement from the United States Selective Service System to comply with requirements of this section, furnish driver record information to the United States Selective Service System to include the name, post office address, date of birth, sex, and social security number of licensees. The United States Selective Service System shall pay all costs incurred by the department in providing the information but shall not be required to pay any other fee required by law for information. No driver record information shall be furnished to the United States Selective Service System regarding any female, nor regarding any male other than those between the ages of seventeen years and twenty-six years. The information shall only be used in the fulfillment of the required duties of the United States Selective Service System and shall not be furnished to any other person.
- (4) The director shall keep a record of all applications for operators' licenses that are disapproved with a brief statement of the reason for disapproval of the application.
- (5) The director may establish a monitoring service which provides information on operating records that have changed due to any adjudicated traffic citation or administrative action. The director shall charge a fee of six cents per operating record searched pursuant to this section and the fee provided in subsection (1) of this section for each abstract returned as a result of the search.
- (6) Driver record header information, including name, license number, date of birth, address, and physical description, from every driver record maintained by the department may be made available so long as the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act is not violated. Monthly updates, including all new records, may also be made available. There shall be a fee of eighteen dollars per thousand records. All fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (7) The department may enter into a reciprocity agreement with a foreign country to provide for the mutual recognition and reciprocal exchange of a valid operator's license issued by this state or the foreign country if the department determines that the licensing standards of the foreign country are comparable to those of this state. Any such agreement entered into by the department shall not include the mutual recognition and reciprocal exchange of a commercial driver's license.
- Sec. 65. Section 60-4,108, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-4,108 (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle during any period that he or she is subject to a court order not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose or during any period that his or her operator's license has been revoked or impounded pursuant to conviction or convictions for violation of any law or laws of this state, by an order of any court, or by an administrative order of the director. Except as otherwise provided by subsection (3) of this section or by other law, any person so offending shall (a) for a first such offense, be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of one year from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period, unless the person was placed on probation, then revocation may be ordered at the court's discretion, (b) for a second or third such offense, be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of two years from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period, and (c) for a fourth or subsequent such offense, be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of two years from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period, and (c) for a fourth or subsequent such offense, be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of two years from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a
- (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle (a) during any period that his or her operator's license has been suspended, (b) after a period of revocation but before issuance of a new license, or (c) after a period of impoundment but before the return of the license. Except as

provided in subsection (3) of this section, any person so offending shall be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor, and the court may, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of one year from the date ordered by the court, except that if the person at the time of sentencing shows proof of reinstatement of his or her suspended operator's license, proof of issuance of a new license, or proof of return of the impounded license, the person shall only be fined in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars. If the court orders the person not to operate a motor vehicle for a period of one year from the date ordered by the court, the court shall also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period. Such orders of the court shall be administered upon revoked for a like period. Such orders of the court shall be administered upon sentencing, upon final judgment of any appeal or review, or upon the date that any probation is revoked, whichever is later.

(3) If a juvenile whose operator's license or permit has been impounded by a juvenile court operates a motor vehicle during any period that he or she is subject to the court order not to operate any motor vehicle or after a period of impoundment but before return of the license or permit, such violation shall be handled in the juvenile court and not as a violation of this section.

Sec. 66. Section 60-4,109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:

60-4,109 (1) Upon conviction of any person in any court within this state of a violation of any city or village ordinance pertaining to the operation of a motor vehicle by such person during any period that he or she is subject to a court order not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose or during any period that his or her operator's license has been revoked or impounded pursuant to any law of this state, such person shall (a) for a first such offense, be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of one year from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period, unless the person was placed on probation, then revocation may be ordered at the court's discretion, and (b) for each subsequent such offense, be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor, and the court shall, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of two years from the date ordered by the court and also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period. Such orders of the court shall be administered upon sentencing, upon final judgment of any appeal or review, or upon the date that any probation is revoked, whichever is later.

(2) Upon conviction of any person in any court within this state of a violation of any city or village ordinance pertaining to the operation of a motor vehicle by such person (a) during any period that his or her operator's license has been suspended pursuant to any law of this state, (b) after a period of revocation but before issuance of a new license, or (c) after a period of impoundment but before the return of the license, such person shall be quilty of a Class III misdomeanor, and the court may as a part of the be guilty of a Class III misdemeanor, and the court may, as a part of the judgment of conviction, order such person not to operate any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of one year from the date ordered by the court, except that if the person at the time of sentencing shows proof of reinstatement of his or her suspended operator's license, proof of issuance of a new license, or proof of return of the impounded license, the person shall only be fined in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars. If the court orders the person not to operate a motor vehicle for a period of one year after the date ordered by the court, the court shall also order the operator's license of such person to be court, the court shall also order the operator's license of such person to be revoked for a like period. Such orders of the court shall be administered upon sentencing, upon final judgment of any appeal or review, or upon the date that any probation is revoked, whichever is later.

Sec. 67. Section 60-4,147.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-4,147.02 No endorsement authorizing the driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle transporting hazardous materials shall be issued, renewed, or transferred by the Department of Motor Vehicles unless the endorsement is issued, renewed, or transferred in conformance with the requirements of section 1012 of the federal Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, USA PATRIOT Act, 49 U.S.C. 5103a, including all amendments and federal regulations adopted pursuant thereto as of January 1, 2017 2016, for the issuance of licenses to operate commercial motor vehicles transporting hazardous materials.

Sec. 68. Section 60-4,168, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-4,168 (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section, a person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for one year upon his or her first conviction, after April 1, 1992, in this or any other state for:

- (a) Operating a commercial motor vehicle in violation of section 60-6,196 or 60-6,197 or under the influence of a controlled substance or, beginning September 30, 2005, operating any motor vehicle in violation of section 60-6,196 or 60-6,197 or under the influence of a controlled substance;

 (b) Operating a commercial motor vehicle in violation of section 60-4,163
- or 60-4,164;
- (c) Leaving the scene of an accident involving a commercial motor vehicle operated by the person or, beginning September 30, 2005, leaving the scene of an accident involving any motor vehicle operated by the person;

- (d) Using a commercial motor vehicle in the commission of a felony other than a felony described in subdivision (3)(b) of this section or, beginning September 30, 2005, using any motor vehicle in the commission of a felony other than a felony described in subdivision (3)(b) of this section;
- (e) Beginning September 30, 2005, operating a commercial motor vehicle after his or her commercial driver's license has been suspended, revoked, or canceled or the driver is disqualified from operating a commercial motor
- vehicle; or (f) Beginning September 30, 2005, causing a fatality through the negligent or criminal operation of a commercial motor vehicle.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, if any of the offenses described in subsection (1) of this section occurred while a person was transporting hazardous material in a commercial motor vehicle which required placarding pursuant to section 75-364, the person shall, upon conviction or administrative determination, be disqualified from operating a commercial mater vehicle for three years.
- commercial motor vehicle for three years.

 (3) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life if, after April 1, 1992, he or she:
- (a) Is convicted of or administratively determined to have committed a second or subsequent violation of any of the offenses described in subsection (1) of this section or any combination of those offenses arising from two or more separate incidents; or
- (b) Beginning September 30, 2005, used a commercial motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving the manufacturing, distributing, or dispensing of a controlled substance.
- (4)(a) A person is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than sixty days if he or she is convicted in this or any other state of two serious traffic violations, or not less than one hundred twenty days if he or she is convicted in this or any other state of three serious traffic violations, arising from separate incidents occurring within a three-year period while operating a commercial motor vehicle.
- (b) A person is disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of not less than sixty days if he or she is convicted in this or any other state of two serious traffic violations, or not less than one hundred twenty days if he or she is convicted in this or any other state of three serious traffic violations, arising from separate incidents occurring within a three-year period while operating a motor vehicle other than a commercial motor vehicle if the convictions have resulted in the revocation, cancellation, or suspension of the person's operator's license or driving privileges.
- (5)(a) A person who is convicted of operating a commercial motor vehicle in violation of a federal, state, or local law or regulation pertaining to one of the following six offenses at a highway-rail grade crossing shall be disqualified for the period of time specified in subdivision (5)(b) of this section:
- (i) For drivers who are not required to always stop, failing to slow down
- and check that the tracks are clear of an approaching train;
 (ii) For drivers who are not required to always stop, failing to stop before reaching the crossing, if the tracks are not clear;
 (iii) For drivers who are always required to stop, failing to stop before
- driving onto the crossing;
- (iv) For all drivers, failing to have sufficient space to drive completely through the crossing without stopping;
- (v) For all drivers, failing to obey a traffic control device or the directions of an enforcement official at the crossing; or
- (vi) For all drivers, failing to negotiate a crossing because insufficient undercarriage clearance.
- (b)(i) A person shall be disqualified for not less than sixty days if the person is convicted of a first violation described in this subsection.
- (ii) A person shall be disqualified for not less than one hundred twenty days if, during any three-year period, the person is convicted of a second violation described in this subsection in separate incidents.
- (iii) A person shall be disqualified for not less than one year if, during any three-year period, the person is convicted of a third or subsequent violation described in this subsection in separate incidents.
- (6) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for at least one year if, on or after July 8, 2015, the person has been convicted of fraud related to the issuance of his or her CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license.
- (7) If the department receives credible information that a CLP-commercial learner's permit holder or a commercial driver's license holder is suspected, but has not been convicted, on or after July 8, 2015, of fraud related to the issuance of his or her CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license, the department must require the driver to retake the skills and knowledge tests. Within thirty days after receiving notification from the department that retesting is necessary, the affected CLP-commercial learner's permit holder or commercial driver's license holder must make an appointment or otherwise schedule to take the next available test. If the CLP-commercial learner's permit holder or commercial driver's license holder fails to make an appointment within thirty days, the department must disqualify his or her CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license. If the driver fails either the knowledge or skills test or does not take the test, the department must disqualify his or her CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license. If the holder of a CLP-commercial learner's permit or

commercial driver's license has had his or her CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license disqualified, he or she must reapply for a CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license under department procedures applicable to all applicants for a CLP-commercial learner's permit or commercial driver's license.

- (8) For purposes of this section, controlled substance has the same meaning as in section 28-401.
- section, (9) For purposes of this section, conviction means an unvacated adjudication of guilt, or a determination that a person has violated or failed to comply with the law, in a court of original jurisdiction or by an authorized administrative tribunal, an unvacated forfeiture of bail or collateral deposited to secure the person's appearance in court, a plea of guilty or nolo contendere accepted by the court, the payment of a fine or court costs, or a violation of a condition of release without bail, regardless of whether or not the penalty is rebated, suspended, or probated.
- (10) For purposes of this section, serious traffic violation means:(a) Speeding at or in excess of fifteen miles per hour over the legally posted speed limit;
- (b) Willful reckless driving as described in section 60-6,214 or reckless driving as described in section 60-6,213;
 - (c) Improper lane change as described in section 60-6,139;
- (d) Following the vehicle ahead too closely as described in section 60-6,140;
- (e) A violation of any law or ordinance related to motor vehicle traffic control, other than parking violations or overweight or vehicle defect violations, arising in connection with an accident or collision resulting in death to any person;
- (f) Beginning September 30, 2005, operating a commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license;
- (g) Beginning September 30, 2005, operating a commercial motor vehicle without a commercial driver's license in the operator's possession;
- (h) Beginning September 30, 2005, operating a commercial motor vehicle without the proper class of commercial driver's license and any endorsements, if required, for the specific vehicle group being operated or for the passengers or type of cargo being transported on the vehicle;
- (i) Beginning October 27, 2013, texting while driving as described in section 60-6,179.02; and
 - (j) Using a handheld mobile telephone as described in section 60-6,179.02.
- (11) Each period of disqualification imposed under this section shall be served consecutively and separately.
- Sec. 69. Section 60-4,168.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 60-4,168.01 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, a person who is convicted of violating an out-of-service order while operating a commercial motor vehicle which is transporting nonhazardous materials shall be subject to disqualification as follows:
- (a) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of at least one hundred eighty days but no more than one year upon a court conviction for violating an out-of-service order;

 (b) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of at least two years but no more than five years upon a second court conviction for violating an out-of-service order, which arises out of a separate incident, during any ten-year period; and
- (c) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of at least three years but no more than five years upon a third or subsequent court conviction for violating an out-of-service order, which arises out of a separate incident, during any ten-year period.
- (2) A person who is convicted of violating an out-of-service order while operating a commercial motor vehicle which is transporting hazardous materials required to be placarded pursuant to section 75-364 or while operating a commercial motor vehicle designed or used to transport sixteen or more passengers, including the driver, shall be subject to disqualification as follows:
- A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for a period of at least one hundred eighty days but no more than two years upon conviction for violating an out-of-service order; and
 (b) A person shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor
- vehicle for a period of at least three years but no more than five years upon a second or subsequent conviction for violating an out-of-service order, which arises out of a separate incident, during any ten-year period.

 (3) For purposes of this section, out-of-service order has the same meaning as in section 75-362.
- (4) Each period of disqualification imposed under this section shall be served consecutively and separately.
- Sec. 70. Section 60-501, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-501 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, unless the context otherwise requires:
 - (1) Department means Department of Motor Vehicles;
- (2) Golf car vehicle means a vehicle that has at least four wheels, has a maximum level ground speed of less than twenty miles per hour, has a maximum payload capacity of one thousand two hundred pounds, has a maximum gross vehicle weight of two thousand five hundred pounds, has a maximum passenger

capacity of not more than four persons, and is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting and recreational purposes;

- (3) Judgment means any judgment which shall have become final by the expiration of the time within which an appeal might have been perfected without being appealed, or by final affirmation on appeal, rendered by a court of competent jurisdiction of any state or of the United States, (a) upon a cause of action arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of any motor vehicle for damages, including damages for care and loss of services, because of bodily injury to or death of any person or for damages because of injury to or destruction of property, including the loss of use thereof, or (b) upon a cause of action on an agreement of settlement for such damages:
- cause of action on an agreement of settlement for such damages;

 (4) License means any license issued to any person under the laws of this state pertaining to operation of a motor vehicle within this state;
- state pertaining to operation of a motor vehicle within this state;

 (5) Low-speed vehicle means a four-wheeled motor vehicle (a) whose speed attainable in one mile is more than twenty miles per hour and not more than twenty-five miles per hour on a paved, level surface, (b) whose gross vehicle weight rating is less than three thousand pounds, and (c) that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 571, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016;

 (6) Minitruck means a foreign-manufactured import vehicle or domestic-manufactured vehicle which (a) is powered by an internal combustion engine with a piston or rotor displacement of one thousand five hundred cubic centimeters or less, (b) is sixty-seven inches or less in width, (c) has a dry weight of four thousand two hundred pounds or less, (d) travels on four or more tires, (e) has a top speed of approximately fifty-five miles per hour, (f) is equipped with a bed or compartment for hauling, (q) has an enclosed passenger cab, (h) with a bed or compartment for hauling, (g) has an enclosed passenger cab, (h) is equipped with headlights, taillights, turnsignals, windshield wipers, a rearview mirror, and an occupant protection system, and (i) has a four-speed, five-speed, or automatic transmission;
- (7) Motor vehicle means any self-propelled vehicle which is designed for use upon a highway, including trailers designed for use with such vehicles, minitrucks, and low-speed vehicles. Motor vehicle does not include (a) mopeds minitrucks, and low-speed vehicles. Motor vehicle does not include (a) mopeds as defined in section 60-637, (b) traction engines, (c) road rollers, (d) farm tractors, (e) tractor cranes, (f) power shovels, (g) well drillers, (h) every vehicle which is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead wires but not operated upon rails, (i) electric personal assistive mobility devices as defined in section 60-618.02, (j) off-road designed vehicles, including, but not limited to, golf car vehicles, go-carts, riding lawnmowers, garden tractors, all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles as defined in section 60-6,355, minibikes as defined in section 60-636, and snowmobiles as defined in section 60-663, and (k) hicycles as defined in section 60-611: section 60-663, and (k) bicycles as defined in section 60-611;
- (8) Nonresident means every person who is not a resident of this state;(9) Nonresident's operating privilege means the privilege conferred upon a nonresident by the laws of this state pertaining to the operation by him or her of a motor vehicle or the use of a motor vehicle owned by him or her in this state;
- (10) Operator means every person who is in actual physical control of a motor vehicle;
- (11) Owner means a person who holds the legal title of a motor vehicle, or in the event (a) a motor vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease thereof with the right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the conditional vendor or lease or lea possession vested in the conditional vendee or lessee or (b) a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then such conditional vendee or lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed the owner for the purposes of the act;
- (12) Person means every natural person, firm, partnership, limited liability company, association, or corporation;
 (13) Proof of financial responsibility means evidence of ability to
- (13) Proof of financial responsibility means evidence of ability to respond in damages for liability, on account of accidents occurring subsequent to the effective date of such proof, arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle, (a) in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of one person in any one accident, (b) subject to such limit for one person, in the amount of fifty thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, and (c) in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident;

 (14) Registration means registration certificate or certificates and
- (14) Registration means registration certificate or certificates and registration plates issued under the laws of this state pertaining to the registration of motor vehicles;
- (15) State means any state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or any province of the Dominion of Canada; and (16) The forfeiture of bail, not vacated, or of collateral deposited to
- secure an appearance for trial shall be regarded as equivalent to conviction of the offense charged.
- Sec. 71. Section 60-506.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 60-506.01 <u>If the</u> The Department of Motor Vehicles <u>receives</u> shall, within ten days after receipt of Part II of a report of an accident from the Department of Roads pursuant to section 60-699, forward such part by United States mail to the insurance company, if any, named in such report as furnishing liability insurance. Unless express denial of the truth of the statements shown on such Part II is received from the named insurance company by the department within the time limited by section 60-507, it shall be presumed for purposes of the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act that the

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<u>Part II information is such statements are</u> true, and such presumption shall be accepted, when applicable, as satisfying the requirements of sections 60-507, 60-508, and 60-509.

Sec. 72. Section 60-628.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

60-628.01 Low-speed vehicle means a four-wheeled motor vehicle (1) whose speed attainable in one mile is more than twenty miles per hour and not more than twenty-five miles per hour on a paved, level surface, (2) whose gross vehicle weight rating is less than three thousand pounds, and (3) that complies with 49 C.F.R. part 571, as such part existed on January 1, 2017 2016.

Sec. 73. Section 60-699, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

- 60-699 (1) The operator of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injuries or death to any person or damage to the property of any one person, including such operator, to an apparent extent of more than one thousand dollars shall within ten days forward a report of such accident to the Department of Roads. If the operator is physically incapable of making the report, the owner of the motor vehicle involved in the accident shall, within ten days from the time he or she learns of the accident, report the matter in writing to the Department of Roads. The Department of Roads or Department of Motor Vehicles may require operators involved in accidents to file supplemental reports of accidents upon forms furnished by it whenever the original report is insufficient in the opinion of either department. The operator or the owner of the motor vehicle shall make such other and additional reports relating to the accident as either department requires. Such records shall be retained for the period of time specified by the State Records Administrator pursuant to the Records Management Act.
- (2) The report of accident required by this section shall be in two parts. Part I shall be in such form as the Department of Roads may prescribe and shall disclose full information concerning the accident. Part II shall be in such form as the Department of Motor Vehicles may prescribe and shall disclose sufficient information to disclose whether or not the financial responsibility requirements of the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act are met through the carrying of liability insurance. The form used for the report shall be so perforated that the parts may be readily separated.
- (3) Upon receipt of a report of accident, the Department of Roads shall determine the reportability and classification of the accident and enter all information into a computerized data base. Upon completion, the <u>Department of Roads shall electronically send department shall separate the parts of the accident report and shall forward Part II of the report to the Department of Motor Vehicles for <u>purposes of processing as provided in section 60-506.01</u>.</u>
- Motor Vehicles for <u>purposes of processing as provided in section 60-506.01.</u>

 (4) Such reports shall be without prejudice. All reports made by peace officers, made to or filed with peace officers in their respective offices or departments, or filed with or made by or to any other law enforcement agency of the state shall be open to public inspection, but accident reports filed by the operator or owner of a motor vehicle pursuant to this section shall not be open to public inspection. The fact that a report by an operator or owner has been so made shall be admissible in evidence solely to prove compliance with this section, but no such report or any part of or statement contained in the report shall be admissible in evidence for any other purpose in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of such accidents nor shall the report be referred to in any way or be any evidence of the negligence or due care of either party at the trial of any action at law to recover damages.
- (5) The failure by any person to report an accident as provided in this section or to correctly give the information required in connection with the report shall be a Class V misdemeanor.
- Sec. 74. Section 60-6,168, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 60-6,168 No person having control or charge of a motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to stand unattended on a highway without first: (1) Stopping stopping the motor of such vehicle; (2) except for vehicles equipped with motor starters that may be actuated without a key, locking the ignition, and removing the key from the ignition; (3), and effectively setting the brakes thereon; and, (4) when standing upon any roadway, turning the front wheels of such vehicle to the curb or side of such roadway.
- Sec. 75. Section 60-1505, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-1505 The Vehicle Title and Registration System Replacement and Maintenance Cash Fund is hereby created. The fund shall be administered by the Department of Motor Vehicles. Revenue credited to the fund shall include fees collected by the department from participation in any multistate electronic data security program, except as otherwise specifically provided by law, and funds transferred as provided in section 60-3,186. The fund shall be used by the department to pay for costs associated with the acquisition, implementation, maintenance, support, upgrades, and replacement of the <u>Vehicle Title and Registration System vehicle titling and registration computer system</u>. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
- Sec. 76. Section 60-3,161, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-3,161 (1) The <u>Department of Motor Vehicles</u> department shall keep a record of each motor vehicle, and trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle,

utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, and minibike registered or titled in this state, alphabetically by name of the owner, with cross reference in each instance to the registration number assigned to such motor vehicle, and trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, and minibike. The record may be destroyed by any public officer having custody of it after three years from the date of its issuance.

- (2) The department shall issue a copy of the record of a registered or titled motor vehicle, or trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike to any person after receiving from the person the name on the registration or certificate of title, the license plate number, the vehicle identification or other type of identification number, or the title number of a motor vehicle, or trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike, if the person provides to the department verification of identity and purpose pursuant to section 60-2906 or 60-2907. A fee of one dollar shall be charged for the copy. An extract of the entire file of motor vehicles, and trailers, motorboats, all-terrain vehicles, utility-type vehicles, snowmobiles, and minibikes registered or titled in the state or updates to the entire file may be provided to a person upon payment of a fee of eighteen dollars per thousand records. Any fee received by the department pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited into the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.
- (3) The record of each motor vehicle, or trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike registration or title maintained by the department pursuant to this section may be made available electronically through the portal established under section 84-1204 so long as the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act is not violated. There shall be a fee of one dollar per record for individual records and for data-to-data For batch requests for multiple motor vehicle, or trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike title and registration records. For bulk record requests of multiple motor vehicle, trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike titles and registrations selected on the basis of criteria of the individual making the request, there shall be a fee of fifty dollars for every request under two thousand records, and a fee of eighteen dollars per one thousand records for any number of records over two thousand, plus a reasonable programming fee not to exceed five hundred twenty dollars. All fees collected pursuant to this subsection for electronic access to records through the portal shall be deposited in the Records Management Cash Fund and shall be distributed as provided in any agreements between the State Records Board and the department.
- Sec. 77. (1) Beginning January 1, 2019, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall develop an electronic dealer services system for implementation as provided in subsection (7) of this section. The Director of Motor Vehicles shall approve a licensed dealer as defined in sections 9 and 26 of this act for participation in the system. A licensed dealer may voluntarily participate in the system and provide titling and registration services. A licensed dealer who chooses to participate may collect from a purchaser of a vehicle as defined in section 60-136, who also chooses to participate, all appropriate certificate of title fees, notation of lien fees, registration fees, motor vehicle taxes and fees, and sales taxes. All such fees and taxes collected shall be remitted to the appropriate county treasurer or the department as provided in the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, and the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967.

 (2) In addition to the fees and taxes described in subsection (1) of this
- (2) In addition to the fees and taxes described in subsection (1) of this section, a participating licensed dealer may charge and collect a service fee not to exceed fifty dollars from a purchaser electing to use the electronic dealer services system.
- (3) The department shall provide an approved participating licensed dealer with access to the electronic dealer services system by a method determined by the director. An approved licensed dealer who chooses to participate shall use the system to electronically submit title, registration, and lien information to the Vehicle Title and Registration System maintained by the department. License plates, registration certificates, and certificates of title shall be delivered as provided under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act and the Motor Vehicle Registration Act.
- (4) The director may remove a licensed dealer's authority to participate in the electronic dealer services system for any violation of the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, or the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, for failure to timely remit fees and taxes collected under this section, or for any other conduct the director deems to have or will have an adverse effect on the public or any governmental entity.
- (5) An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system shall not release, disclose, use, or share personal or sensitive information contained in the records accessible through the electronic dealer services system as prohibited under the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act, except that a licensed dealer may release, disclose, use, or share such personal or sensitive information when necessary to fulfill the requirements of the electronic dealer services system as approved by the department. An approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system shall be responsible for ensuring that such licensed dealer's employees and agents comply with the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act.

- (6) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and governing the eligibility for approval and removal of licensed dealers to participate in the electronic dealer services system, the procedures and requirements necessary to implement and maintain such system, and the procedures and requirements for approved licensed dealers participating in such
- (7) The department shall implement the electronic dealer services system on a date to be determined by the director but not later than January 1, 2021. Sec. 78. Section 60-2904, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

- 60-2904 For purposes of the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act: (1) Department means the Department of Motor Vehicles or the duly authorized agents or contractors of the department responsible to compile and maintain motor vehicle records;
- (2) Disclose means to engage in any practice or conduct to make available and make known personal information contained in a motor vehicle record about a person to any other person, organization, or entity by any means communication;
- (3) Individual record means a motor vehicle record containing personal information about a designated person who is the subject of the record as identified in a request;
- (4) Motor vehicle record means any record that pertains to a motor vehicle operator's or driver's license or permit, motor vehicle, trailer, motorboat, <u>all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike</u> registration or , motor vehicle certificate of title, motorboat certificate of title, or state identification card issued by the department or any other state or local agency authorized to issue any of such forms of credentials;

(5) Person means an individual, organization, or entity;

- (6) Personal information means information that identifies a person, including an individual's driver identification number, name, address excluding zip code, and telephone number, but does not include information on collisions vehicular accidents, driving, operating, or equipment-related violations, or
- operator's and driver's license or registration status; and
 (7) Sensitive personal information means an individual's operator's license digital image, social security number, and medical or disability information.
- Sec. 79. Section 60-2907, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 60-2907 The department and any officer, employee, agent, or contractor of the department having custody of a motor vehicle record shall, upon the verification of identity and purpose of a requester, disclose and make available the requested motor vehicle record, including the personal information in the record, for the following purposes:
- (1) For use by any federal, state, or local governmental agency, including any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out the agency's functions or by a private person or entity acting on behalf of a governmental agency in carrying out the agency's functions;
- (2) For use in connection with matters of motor vehicle or driver safety and theft; motor vehicle emissions; motor vehicle product alterations, recalls, or advisories; performance monitoring of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, and dealers; motor vehicle market research activities, including survey research; and removal of nonowner records from the original owner records of motor vehicle manufacturers;
- (3) For use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or
- individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and
- individual to the business or its agents, employees, or contractors; and

 (b) If such information as so submitted is not correct or is no longer correct, to obtain the correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by, pursuing legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against, the individual;

 (4) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, administrative, or arbitral proceeding in any federal, state, or local court or governmental agency or before any self-regulatory body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of litigation, and execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or pursuant to an order of a federal, state, or local court, an administrative agency, or a self-regulatory body;

 (5) For use in research activities, and for use in producing statistical
- (5) For use in research activities, and for use in producing statistical reports, so long as the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact individuals;
- (6) For use by any insurer or insurance support organization, or by a self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, or contractors, in connection with claims investigation activities, anti-fraud activities, rating, or with claims underwriting;
- (7) For use in providing notice to the owners of abandoned, towed, impounded vehicles;
- (8) For use only for a purpose permitted under this section either by a private detective, plain clothes investigator, or private investigative agency licensed under sections 71-3201 to 71-3213;
- (9) For use by an employer or the employer's agent or insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver's license or CLP-commercial learner's permit that is required under the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, 49 U.S.C. 31301 et seq., or pursuant to sections

60-4,132 and 60-4,141;

- (10) For use in connection with the operation of private toll transportation facilities;
- (11) For bulk distribution for surveys of, marketing to, or solicitations of persons who have expressly consented to such disclosure if the requester has obtained the notarized written consent of the individual who is the subject of the personal information being requested and has provided proof of receipt of such written consent to the department or an officer, employee, agent, or contractor of the department on a form prescribed by the department;
- (12) For any use if the requester has obtained the notarized written consent of the individual who is the subject of the personal information being requested and has provided proof of receipt of such written consent to the department or an officer, employee, agent, or contractor of the department; (13) For use, including redisclosure through news publication, of a member
- (13) For use, including redisclosure through news publication, of a member of a medium of communication as defined in section 20-145 who requests such information in connection with preparing, researching, gathering, or confirming news information involving motor vehicle or driver safety or motor vehicle theft;
- (14) For use by the federally designated organ procurement organization for Nebraska to establish and maintain the Donor Registry of Nebraska as provided in section 71-4822;—and
- provided in section 71-4822;—and
 (15) For use to fulfill the requirements of the electronic dealer services
 system pursuant to section 77 of this act; and
- (16) (15) For any other use specifically authorized by law that is related to the operation of a motor vehicle or public safety.
- Sec. 80. Section 75-110, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 75-110 $\underline{(1)}$ The Public Service Commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations for the government of its proceedings, including rules of procedure for notice and hearing. The commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations which the commission deems necessary to regulate persons within the commission's jurisdiction. The commission shall not take any action affecting persons subject to the commission's jurisdiction unless such action is taken pursuant to a rule, regulation, or statute.
- (2) For purposes of granting or denying a petition for intervention, the commission shall be exempt from section 84-912.02.

 Sec. 81. Section 75-128, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is
- Sec. 81. Section 75-128, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 75-128 (1) It is hereby declared to be the policy of the Legislature that all matters presented to the commission be heard and determined without delay. All matters requiring a hearing shall be set for hearing at the earliest practicable date and in no event, except for good cause shown, which showing shall be recited in the order, shall the time fixed for hearing be more than six months after the date of filing of the application, complaint, or petition on which such hearing is to be had. Except in case of an emergency and upon a motion to proceed with less than a quorum made by all parties and supported by a showing of clear and convincing evidence of such emergency and benefit to all parties, a quorum of the commission shall hear all matters set for hearing. Except as otherwise provided in the Major Oil Pipeline Siting Act or section 75-121 and except for good cause shown, a decision of the commission shall be made and filed within thirty days after completion of the hearing or after submission of affidavits in nonhearing proceedings.
- submission of affidavits in nonhearing proceedings.

 (2) In the case of any proceeding upon which a hearing is held, the transcript of testimony shall be prepared and submitted to the commission prior to entry of an order, except that it shall not be necessary to have prepared prior to a commission decision the transcripts of testimony on hearings involving noncontested proceedings and hearings involving emergency rate applications under section 75-121.
- (3) For each application, complaint, or petition filed with the commission, except those filed under sections 75-303.01 to 75-303.03 and 75-303.02, the Major Oil Pipeline Siting Act, or the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, the commission shall charge a filing fee to be determined by the commission, but in an amount not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars, payable at the time of such filing. The commission shall also charge to persons regulated by the commission, except persons regulated under the Major Oil Pipeline Siting Act or the State Natural Gas Regulation Act, a hearing fee to be determined by the commission, but in an amount not to exceed the sum of two hundred fifty dollars, for each half day of hearings if the person regulated by the commission files an application, complaint, or petition which necessitates a hearing.
- (4) For each new tariff filed with the commission, except those filed under sections 75-301 to 75-322, the commission shall charge a fee not to exceed fifty dollars. This subsection does not apply to amendments to existing tariffs.
- (5) The commission shall remit the fees received to the State Treasurer for credit to the General Fund.
- Sec. 82. Section 75-303.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 75-303.01 (1) The Department of Health and Human Services, a medicaid-managed care organization under contract with the department, or another agent working on the department's behalf or any agency organized under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act may contract for nonemergency medical transportation for medicaid its clients with a regulated motor carrier holding

a designation of authority issued pursuant to subsection (3) of section 75-311 to provide medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services or that has been authorized to provide such services by the commission prior to the operative date of this section. contractor which does not hold a certificate or which is not otherwise exempt under section 75-303 only if:

- (2) While operating under a designation of authority issued pursuant to subsection (3) of section 75-311, a regulated motor carrier shall comply with (a) the requirements of the Department of Health and Human Services to protect the safety and well-being of department clients, including training, driver standards, background checks, and the provision and quality of service and (b) the rules and regulations adopted, promulgated, and enforced by the commission governing insurance requirements, equipment standards, and background checks.

 (1) The proposed contractor is the individual who will personally drive
- vehicle in question;
- (2) The only compensation to the contractor for the transportation is paid by the department at a rate no greater than that provided for reimbursement of state employees pursuant to section 81-1176 for the costs incurred in the transportation; and
- (3)(a) There is no regulated motor carrier serving the area in which the client needs transportation, (b) the regulated motor carrier serving the area is incapable of providing the specific service in question by its own written statement or as determined by the commission upon application of the regulated motor carrier or the department, or (c) the regulated carrier cannot or will not provide such service at the rate specified in subsection (2) of section 75-303.02.
- Sec. 83. Section 75-303.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 75-303.02 (1) The Department of Health and Human Services or any agency organized under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act may contract for the transportation of clients with a contractor which does not hold a certificate or which is not otherwise exempt under section 75-303 only if: The commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing minimum liability insurance requirements, equipment standards, driver qualification requirements, and the issuance and filing of notice for any contractor utilized by the department or any agency organized under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act pursuant to section 75-303.01.
- (a) The proposed contractor is the individual who will personally drive the vehicle in question;
- (b) The only compensation to the contractor for the transportation is paid by the department at a rate no greater than that provided for reimbursement of state employees pursuant to section 81-1176 for the costs incurred in the transportation; and
- (c)(i) There is no regulated motor carrier serving the area in which the client needs transportation, (ii) the regulated motor carrier serving the area is incapable of providing the specific service in question by its own written statement or as determined by the commission upon application of the regulated motor carrier or the department, or (iii) the regulated carrier cannot or will not provide such service at the rate specified in subsection (2) of section <u>75-303.03.</u>
- (2) This section does not apply to a regulated motor carrier holding a designation of authority issued pursuant to subsection (3) of section 75-311.
- (2) The department or any agency organized under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act shall reimburse common and contract carriers transportation of passengers at a rate not to exceed the rate of reimbursement pursuant to section 81-1176 multiplied by three. The maximum reimbursement rate provided for in this subsection shall not apply when the carrier (a) transports such person wholly within the corporate limits of the city or village where the transportation of the person originated or (b) transports a disabled person as defined by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 in a vehicle that is compliant with the regulations providing for the transportation of such disabled person.
- Sec. 84. Section 75-303.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:
- 75-303.03 (1) The commission, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing minimum liability insurance requirements, equipment standards, driver <u>qualification</u> requirements, and the issuance and filing of notice for any contractor utilized by the department or any agency organized under Nebraska Community Aging Services Act pursuant to section 75-303.02. Department of Health and Human Services may reimburse an individual for the costs incurred by such individual in the transportation of a person eligible to receive transportation services through the department if:
- (a) The individual is under contract with the department and provides
- transportation to the eligible person; and
 (b) The eligible person has chosen the individual to provide the transportation.
- (2) The Department of Health and Human Services or any agency organized <u>under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act shall reimburse common and</u> contract carriers for transportation of passengers at a rate not to exceed the rate of reimbursement pursuant to section 81-1176 multiplied by three. The maximum reimbursement rate provided for in this subsection shall not apply when the carrier (a) transports such person wholly within the corporate limits of

the city or village where the transportation of the person originated, transports a disabled person as defined by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 in a vehicle that is compliant with the regulations providing for the transportation of such disabled person, or (c) provides nonemergency medical transportation of medicaid clients pursuant to subsection (3) of section 75-311 The department shall reimburse for the costs incurred in the transportation at a rate no greater than that provided for reimbursement of state employees pursuant to section 81-1176.

- (3) Rates for nonemergency medical transportation service providers with a designation of authority issued pursuant to subsection (3) of section 75-311 are not subject to commission regulation, and regulated motor carriers with such a designation reimbursed under this section are not subject to commission rate regulation for such reimbursement rates.
- (4)(a) The Department of Health and Human Services may reimburse individual for the costs incurred by such individual in the transportation of a person eligible to receive transportation services through the department if:
- (i) The individual is under contract with the department and provides transportation to the eligible person; and
- (ii) The eligible person has chosen the individual to provide <u>transportation.</u>
- (b) The department shall reimburse for the costs incurred in the transportation at a rate no greater than that provided for reimbursement of state employees pursuant to section 81-1176.
- (c) Transportation provided to an eligible person by an individual pursuant to this section does not constitute transportation for hire.
- (d) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to <u>implement this subsection.</u>
- (3) Transportation provided to an eligible person by an individual pursuant to this section does not constitute transportation for hire.
- (4) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to implement this section.
- Sec. 85. Section 75-306, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

75-306 Receipt for the payment of annual fees shall be issued by the commission. The commission shall issue sufficient license plates and renewal tabs to any regulated motor carrier who is in compliance with sections 75-301 to 75-322 and the rules and regulations of the commission, except contractors contract carriers operating pursuant to section 75-303.02 75-303.01 and transportation network companies, for the purpose of identification of regulated motor carriers subject to sections 75-301 to 75-322 and to distinguish those regulated motor carriers from other commercial motor carriers not subject to such sections. The Director of Motor Vehicles shall prepare a form of license plate and renewal tab for such regulated motor carriers and furnish a sufficient supply of them to the commission.

Sec. 86. Section 75-309, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

75-309 Except for operations pursuant to a contract authorized by sections 75-303.01 and 75-303.02 and 75-303.03, it shall be unlawful for any common or contract carrier by motor vehicle subject to the provisions of sections 75-101 to 75-155 and 75-301 to 75-322 to engage in any intrastate operations on any public highway in Nebraska unless there is in force with respect to such common carrier a certificate of public convenience and necessity, a permit to such contract carrier, or a permit to a transportation network company under section 75-324, issued by the commission which authorizes such operations.

Sec. 87. Section 75-311, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

A certificate shall be issued to any qualified applicant 75-311 (1) authorizing the whole or any part of the operations covered by the application if it is found after notice and hearing that (a) the applicant is fit, willing, and able properly to perform the service proposed and to conform to the provisions of sections 75-301 to 75-322 and the requirements, rules, and regulations of the commission under such sections and (b) the proposed service, to the extent to be authorized by the certificate, whether regular or irregular, passenger or household goods, is or will be required by the present or future public convenience and processity. Otherwise the application shall be or future public convenience and necessity. Otherwise the application shall be denied.

- (2) A permit shall be issued to any qualified applicant therefor authorizing in whole or in part the operations covered by the application if it appears after notice and hearing from the application or from any hearing held on the application that (a) the applicant is fit, willing, and able properly to perform the service of a contract carrier by motor vehicle and to conform to the provisions of such sections and the lawful requirements, rules, and regulations of the commission under such sections and (b) the proposed operation, to the extent authorized by the permit, will be consistent with the public interest by providing services designed to meet the distinct needs of each individual customer or a specifically designated class of customers as defined in subdivision (7) of section 75-302. Otherwise the application shall be denied.
- (3) A designation of authority shall be issued to any regulated motor carrier holding a certificate under subsection (1) of this section or a permit under subsection (2) of this section authorizing such carrier to provide medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services pursuant to a contract with (i) the Department of Health and Human Services, (ii) a medicaid-managed

care organization under contract with the department, or (iii) another agent working on the department's behalf as provided under section 75-303.01, if it is found after notice and hearing from the application or from any hearing held on the application that the authorization is or will be required by the present or future convenience and necessity to serve the distinct needs of medicaid clients. In determining whether the authorization is or will be required by the present or future convenience and necessity to serve the distinct needs of medicaid clients, the commission shall consult with the Director of Medicaid and Long-Term Care of the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care of the department or his or her designee.

- (4) (3) No person shall at the same time hold a certificate as a common carrier and a permit as a contract carrier for transportation of household goods by motor vehicles over the same route or within the same territory unless the commission finds that it is consistent with the public interest and with the policy declared in section 75-301.
- (5) (4) After the issuance of a certificate or permit, the commission shall review the operations of all common or contract carriers who hold authority from the commission to determine whether there are insufficient operations in the transportation of household goods to justify the commission's finding that such common or contract carrier has willfully failed to perform transportation under sections 75-301 to 75-322 and rules and regulations promulgated under such sections. If the commission determines that there are insufficient operations, then the commission shall commence proceedings under section 75-315 to revoke the certificate or permit involved.
- (6) (5) This section shall not apply to transportation network companies holding a permit under section 75-324 or operations pursuant to a contract authorized by sections 75-303.01 and 75-303.02 and 75-303.03.

 Sec. 88. Section 75-363, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is
- amended to read:
- 75-363 (1) The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations listed below, as modified in this section, or any other parts, subparts, and sections referred to by such parts, subparts, and sections, in existence and effective as of January 1, 2017 2016, are adopted as Nebraska law.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the regulations shall be applicable to:
- (a) All motor carriers, drivers, and vehicles to which the federal regulations apply; and
- (b) All motor carriers transporting persons or property in intrastate commerce to include:
- (i) All vehicles of such motor carriers with a gross vehicle weight rating, gross combination weight rating, gross vehicle weight, or gross combination weight over ten thousand pounds;
- (ii) All vehicles of such motor carriers designed or used to transport more than eight passengers, including the driver, for compensation, or designed or used to transport more than fifteen passengers, including the driver, and not used to transport passengers for compensation;
- (iii) All vehicles of such motor carriers transporting hazardous materials
- required to be placarded pursuant to section 75-364; and
 (iv) All drivers of such motor carriers if the drivers are operating a commercial motor vehicle as defined in section 60-465 which requires a commercial driver's license.
- (3) The Legislature hereby adopts, as modified in the following parts of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations: as modified in this section,
 - (a) Part 382 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND ALCOHOL USE AND TESTING; (b) Part 385 SAFETY FITNESS PROCEDURES;
- (c) Part 386 RULES OF PRACTICE FOR <u>FMCSA</u> MOTOR CARRIER, INTERMODAL MENT PROVIDER, BROKER, FREIGHT FORWARDER, AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EQUIPMENT PROVIDER, BROKER, FREIGHT FORWARDER, PROCEEDINGS;
- (d) Part 387 MINIMUM LEVELS OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR MOTOR CARRIERS;
 - (e) Part 390 FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY REGULATIONS; GENERAL;
- (f) Part 391 QUALIFICATIONS OF DRIVERS AND LONGER COMBINATION VEHICLE (LCV) DRIVER INSTRUCTORS;

 - (g) Part 392 DRIVING OF COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES;(h) Part 393 PARTS AND ACCESSORIES NECESSARY FOR SAFE OPERATION;(i) Part 395 HOURS OF SERVICE OF DRIVERS;
- (j) Part 396 INSPECTION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE;(k) Part 397 TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS; DRIVING AND PARKING RULES; and
 - (1) Part 398 TRANSPORTATION OF MIGRANT WORKERS.
- (4) The provisions of subpart E Physical Qualifications And Examinations of 49 C.F.R. part 391 QUALIFICATIONS OF DRIVERS AND LONGER COMBINATION VEHICLE (LCV) DRIVER INSTRUCTORS shall not apply to any driver subject to this section who: (a) Operates a commercial motor vehicle exclusively in intrastate
- commerce; and (b) holds, or has held, a commercial driver's license issued by this state prior to July 30, 1996.

 (5) The regulations adopted in subsection (3) of this section shall not apply to farm trucks registered pursuant to section 60-3,146 with a gross weight of sixteen tons or less. The following parts and sections of 49 C.F.R. chapter III shall not apply to drivers of farm trucks registered pursuant to section 60-3,146 and operated solely in intrastate commerce:
 - (a) All of part 391;

- (b) Section 395.8 of part 395; and
- (c) Section 396.11 of part 396.
- (6) The following parts and subparts of 49 C.F.R. chapter III shall not apply to the operation of covered farm vehicles:
 - (a) Part 382 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND ALCOHOL USE AND TESTING;(b) Part 391, subpart E Physical Qualifications and Examinations;

 - (c) Part 395 HOURS OF SERVICE OF DRIVERS; and
- (d) Part 396 INSPECTION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE.

 (7) Part 393 PARTS AND ACCESSORIES NECESSARY FOR SAFE OPERATION and Part
 INSPECTION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE shall not apply to fertilizer and agricultural chemical application and distribution equipment transported in units with a capacity of three thousand five hundred gallons or less.
- (8) For purposes of this section, intrastate motor carriers shall not include any motor carrier or driver excepted from 49 C.F.R. chapter III by section 390.3(f) of part 390.
- (9)(a) Part 395 HOURS OF SERVICE OF DRIVERS shall apply to motor carriers and drivers who engage in intrastate commerce as defined in section 75-362, except that no motor carrier who engages in intrastate commerce shall permit or require any driver used by it to drive nor shall any driver drive:
- (i) More than twelve hours following ten eight consecutive hours off duty;
- (ii) For any period after having been on duty sixteen hours following $\underline{\text{ten}}$ eight consecutive hours off duty.
- (b) No motor carrier who engages in intrastate commerce shall permit or require a driver of a commercial motor vehicle, regardless of the number of motor carriers using the driver's services, to drive, nor shall any driver of a commercial motor vehicle drive, for any period after:
- (i) Having been on duty seventy hours in any seven consecutive days if the
- employing motor carrier does not operate every day of the week; or

 (ii) Having been on duty eighty hours in any period of eight consecutive days if the employing motor carrier operates motor vehicles every day of the
- (10) Part 395 HOURS OF SERVICE OF DRIVERS, as adopted in subsections (3) and (9) of this section, shall not apply to drivers transporting agricultural commodities or farm supplies for agricultural purposes during planting and harvesting season when:
- (a) The transportation of such agricultural commodities is from the source of the commodities to a location within a one-hundred-fifty-air-mile radius of the source of the commodities;
 (b) The transportation of such farm supplies is from a wholesale or retail
- distribution point of the farm supplies to a farm or other location where the farm supplies are intended to be used which is within a one-hundred-fifty-airmile radius of the wholesale or retail distribution point; or
- (c) The transportation of such farm supplies is from a wholesale distribution point of the farm supplies to a retail distribution point of the farm supplies which is within a one-hundred-fifty-air-mile radius of the wholesale distribution point.
- (11) 49 C.F.R. 390.21 Marking of self-propelled CMVs and intermodal equipment shall not apply to farm trucks and farm truck-tractors registered
- pursuant to section 60-3,146 and operated solely in intrastate commerce.

 (12) 49 C.F.R. 392.9a Operating authority shall not apply to Nebraska motor carriers operating commercial motor vehicles solely in intrastate commerce.
- (13) No motor carrier shall permit or require a driver of a commercial motor vehicle to violate, and no driver of a commercial motor vehicle shall violate, any out-of-service order.
- Sec. 89. Section 75-364, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 75-364 The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations listed below, or any other parts, subparts, and sections referred to by such parts, subparts, and sections, in existence and effective as of January 1, 2017 2016, are adopted as part of Nebraska law and shall be applicable to all motor carriers whether engaged in interstate or intrastate commerce, drivers of such motor carriers, and vehicles of such motor carriers:
- (1) Part 107 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PROGRAM PROCEDURES, subpart F_Registration of Cargo Tank and Cargo Tank Motor Vehicle Manufacturers,
 Assemblers, Repairers, Inspectors, Testers, and Design Certifying Engineers;
 (2) Part 107 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PROGRAM PROCEDURES, subpart G_Registration of Persons Who Offer or Transport Hazardous Materials;
- (3) Part 171 GENERAL INFORMATION, REGULATIONS, AND DEFINITIONS; (4) Part 172 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TABLE, SPECIAL PROVISIONS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMUNICATIONS, **EMERGENCY** RESPONSE INFORMATION, REQUIREMENTS, AND SECURITY PLANS;
- (5) Part 173 SHIPPERS GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SHIPMENTS AND PACKAGINGS;
 - (6) Part 177 CARRIAGE BY PUBLIC HIGHWAY;

 - (7) Part 178 SPECIFICATIONS FOR PACKAGINGS; and(8) Part 180 CONTINUING QUALIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PACKAGINGS.
- Sec. 90. Section 75-366, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is
- amended to read: 75-366 For the purpose of enforcing Chapter 75, article 3, any officer of the Nebraska State Patrol may, upon demand, inspect the accounts, records, and equipment of any motor carrier or shipper. Any officer of the Nebraska State

Patrol shall have the authority to enforce the federal motor carrier safety regulations, as such regulations existed on January 1, <u>2017</u> 2016, and federal hazardous materials regulations, as such regulations existed on January 1, 2017 2016, and is authorized to enter upon, inspect, and examine any and all lands, buildings, and equipment of any motor carrier, any shipper, and any other person subject to the federal Interstate Commerce Act, the federal Department of Transportation Act, and other related federal laws and to inspect and copy any and all accounts, books, records, memoranda, correspondence, and other documents of a motor carrier, a shipper, and any other person subject to Chapter 75, article 3, for the purposes of enforcing Chapter 75, article 3. To promote uniformity of enforcement, the carrier enforcement division of the Nebraska State Patrol shall cooperate and consult with the Public Service Commission and the Division of Motor Carrier Services.

Sec. 91. Section 75-369.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

75-369.03 (1) The Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety may issue an order imposing a civil penalty against a motor carrier transporting persons or property in interstate commerce for a violation of sections 75-392 to 75-399 or against a motor carrier transporting persons or property in intrastate commerce for a violation or violations of section 75-363 or 75-364 based upon an inspection conducted pursuant to section 75-366 in an amount which shall not exceed <u>eight</u> <u>five</u> hundred dollars for any single violation in any proceeding or series of related proceedings against any person or motor carrier as defined in 49 C.F.R. part 390.5 as adopted in section 75-363.

- (2) The superintendent shall issue an order imposing a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed <u>fifteen</u> ten thousand <u>four hundred seventy-four</u> dollars against a motor carrier transporting persons or property in interstate commerce for a violation of subdivision (2)(e) of section 60-4,162 based upon a conviction of such a violation.
- (3) The superintendent shall issue an order imposing a civil penalty against a driver operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 60-465, that requires a commercial driver's license or CLP-commercial learner's permit, in violation of an out-of-service order. The civil penalty shall be in an amount not less than two thousand $\underline{\text{nine}}$ five hundred $\underline{\text{eighty-five}}$ dollars $\underline{\text{but}}$ not more than five thousand dollars for a first violation and not less than five thousand <u>nine hundred seventy</u> one dollars but not more than seven thousand
- five hundred dollars for a second or subsequent violation.

 (4) The superintendent shall issue an order imposing a civil penalty against a motor carrier who knowingly allows, requires, permits, or authorizes the operation of a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in section 60-465, that requires a commercial driver's license or CLP-commercial learner's permit, in violation of an out-of-service order. The civil penalty shall be not less than five the thousand three cover hundred pinety one fifty dellars but not more <u>five</u> two thousand <u>three</u> seven hundred <u>ninety-one</u> <u>fifty</u> dollars but not more than <u>twenty-nine</u> thousand <u>eight hundred forty-nine</u> dollars per violation.
- (5) Upon the discovery of any violation by a motor carrier transporting persons or property in interstate commerce of section 75-307, 75-363, or 75-364 or sections 75-392 to 75-399 based upon an inspection conducted pursuant to section 75-366, the superintendent shall immediately refer such violation to the appropriate federal agency for disposition, and upon the discovery of any violation by a motor carrier transporting persons or property in intrastate commerce of section 75-307 based upon such inspection, the superintendent shall refer such violation to the Public Service Commission for disposition.

Sec. 92. Section 75-392, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

75-392 For purposes of sections 75-392 to 75-399:

- (1) Director means the Director of Motor Vehicles;
- (2) Division means the Division of Motor Carrier Services
 Department of Motor Vehicles; and
- (3) Unified carrier registration plan and agreement means the plan and agreement established and authorized pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 14504a, section existed on January 1, <u>2017</u> 2016. Sec. 93. Section 75-393, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

amended to read:

75-393 The director may participate in the unified carrier registration plan and agreement pursuant to the Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005, 49 U.S.C. 13908, as the act existed on January 1, $\underline{2017}$ $\underline{2016}$, and may file on behalf of the state the plan required by such plan and agreement for enforcement of the act in this state.

Sec. 94. Section 76-2316, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

76-2316 Statewide one-call notification center shall mean the association certified by the State Fire Marshal, operating on a nonprofit basis, supported by its members, and having as its principal purpose the statewide receipt and dissemination to participating operators of information on a fair and uniform basis concerning intended excavation in an area where the operators have underground facilities.

Sec. 95. Section 76-2319, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

(1) The center shall be governed by a board of directors who shall oversee operation of the center establish the operating procedures and the technology needed for the center pursuant to rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the State Fire Marshal. The rules and regulations adopted

and promulgated by the State Fire Marshal shall provide for the qualifications, appointment, retention, and composition of the board of directors. The board of directors shall also establish a competitive bidding procedure to select a vendor to provide the notification service, establish a procedure by which members of the center share the costs of the center on a fair, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory basis, and do all other things necessary to implement the purpose of the center. Any agreement between the center and a vendor for the notification service may be modified from time to time by the board of directors, and any agreement shall be reviewed by the board of directors at least once every three years, with an opportunity to receive new bids if desired by the board of directors.

- (2) The rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the State Fire <u>Marshal may provide for:</u>
- (a) Any requirements necessary to comply with United States Department of Transportation programs;
- (b) The qualifications, appointment, retention, and composition of the <u>board of directors; and</u>
- (c) Best practices for the marking, location, and notification of proposed excavations_ which shall govern the center, excavators, and underground facilities.
 (3) Any rule or regulation adopted and promulgated by the State Fire
- Marshal pursuant to subdivision (2)(c) of this section shall originate with the board of directors.
- Sec. 96. Section 76-2320, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended

76-2320 Every operator shall furnish the vendor selected by the board of directors with information concerning the location of its underground facilities. Every operator having underground facilities in existence in this its underground state on February 16, 1994, shall furnish such information to the vendor by April 3, 1995. The vendor shall have the center operational on October 2, 1995. The center shall be certified by the State Fire Marshal, and the certification shall be reviewed every two years to ensure continued compliance with federal law.

Sec. 97. Section 76-2325, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is

76-2325 Any person who violates the provisions of section 76-2320, 76-2321, 76-2322, 76-2323, 76-2326, 76-2330, or 76-2331 shall be subject to a civil penalty as follows:

- a violation related to a gas or hazardous liquid underground pipeline facility or a fiber optic telecommunications facility, an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars for each violation for each day the violation persists, up to a maximum of five hundred thousand dollars; and

persists, up to a maximum of five hundred thousand dollars; and

(2) For a violation related to any other underground facility, an amount not to exceed five thousand hundred dollars for each day the violation persists, up to a maximum of fifty five thousand dollars.

An action to recover a civil penalty shall be brought by the Attorney General or a prosecuting attorney on behalf of the State of Nebraska in any court of competent jurisdiction of this state. The trial shall be before the court, which shall consider the nature, circumstances, and gravity of the violation and, with respect to the person found to have committed the violation, the degree of culpability, the absence or existence of prior violations, whether the violation was a willful act, any good faith attempt to achieve compliance, and such other matters as justice may require in determining the amount of penalty imposed. All penalties shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for distribution in accordance with Article VII, section 5, the State Treasurer for distribution in accordance with Article VII, section 5, of the Constitution of Nebraska.

Sec. 98. Section 77-2703, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

77-2703 (1) There is hereby imposed a tax at the rate provided in section 77-2701.02 upon the gross receipts from all sales of tangible personal property sold at retail in this state; the gross receipts of every person engaged as a public utility, as a community antenna television service operator, or as a satellite service operator, any person involved in the connecting and installing of the services defined in subdivision (2)(a), (b), (d), or (e) of section 77-2701.16, or every person engaged as a retailer of intellectual or section 77-2701.16, or every person engaged as a retailer of intellectual or entertainment properties referred to in subsection (3) of section 77-2701.16; the gross receipts from the sale of admissions in this state; the gross receipts from the sale of warranties, guarantees, service agreements, or maintenance agreements when the items covered are subject to tax under this section; beginning January 1, 2008, the gross receipts from the sale of bundled transactions when one or more of the products included in the bundle are taxable; the gross receipts from the provision of services defined in subsection (4) of section 77-2701.16; and the gross receipts from the sale of products delivered electronically as described in subsection (9) of section 77-2701.16. Except as provided in section 77-2701.03, when there is a sale, the tax shall be imposed at the rate in effect at the time the gross receipts are tax shall be imposed at the rate in effect at the time the gross receipts are realized under the accounting basis used by the retailer to maintain his or her books and records.

(a) The tax imposed by this section shall be collected by the retailer from the consumer. It shall constitute a part of the purchase price and until collected shall be a debt from the consumer to the retailer and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as other debts. The tax required to be collected by the retailer from the consumer constitutes a debt owed by the

retailer to this state.

(b) It is unlawful for any retailer to advertise, hold out, or state to public or to any customer, directly or indirectly, that the tax or part

the public or to any customer, directly or indirectly, that the tax or part thereof will be assumed or absorbed by the retailer, that it will not be added to the selling, renting, or leasing price of the property sold, rented, or leased, or that, if added, it or any part thereof will be refunded. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to a public utility.

(c) The tax required to be collected by the retailer from the purchaser, unless otherwise provided by statute or by rule and regulation of the Tax Commissioner, shall be displayed separately from the list price, the price advertised in the premises, the marked price, or other price on the sales check or other proof of sales, rentals, or leases.

(d) For the purpose of more efficiently securing the payment, collection, and accounting for the sales tax and for the convenience of the retailer in collecting the sales tax, it shall be the duty of the Tax Commissioner to provide a schedule or schedules of the amounts to be collected from the consumer or user to effectuate the computation and collection of the tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. Such schedule or schedules shall provide that the tax shall be collected from the consumer or user uniformly on sales according to brackets based on sales prices of the item or an invoice Retailers may compute the tax due on any transaction on an item or an invoice basis. The rounding rule provided in section 77-3,117 applies.

(e) The use of tokens or stamps for the purpose of collecting or enforcing

the collection of the taxes imposed in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 or for

- the collection of the taxes imposed in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 or for any other purpose in connection with such taxes is prohibited.

 (f) For the purpose of the proper administration of the provisions of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the retail sales tax, it shall be presumed that all gross receipts are subject to the tax until the contrary is established. The burden of proving that a sale of property is not a sale at retail is upon the person who makes the sale unless he or she takes from the purchaser (i) a resale certificate to the effect that the property is purchased for the purpose of reselling, leasing, or renting it, (ii) an exemption certificate pursuant to subsection (7) of section 77-2705, or (iii) a direct payment permit pursuant to sections 77-2705.01 to 77-2705.03. Receipt of a resale certificate, exemption certificate, or direct payment permit shall be a resale certificate, exemption certificate, or direct payment permit shall be conclusive proof for the seller that the sale was made for resale or was exempt or that the tax will be paid directly to the state.
- (g) In the rental or lease of automobiles, trucks, trailers, semitrailers, and truck-tractors as defined in the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the tax shall be collected by the lessor on the rental or lease price, except as otherwise provided within this section. (h) In the rental or lease of automobiles, trucks, trailers, semitrailers,
- and truck-tractors as defined in the act, for periods of one year or more, the lessor may elect not to collect and remit the sales tax on the gross receipts and instead pay a sales tax on the cost of such vehicle. If such election is made, it shall be made pursuant to the following conditions:
- (i) Notice of the desire to make such election shall be filed with the Tax Commissioner and shall not become effective until the Tax Commissioner is satisfied that the taxpayer has complied with all conditions of this subsection and all rules and regulations of the Tax Commissioner;
- (ii) Such election when made shall continue in force and effect for a period of not less than two years and thereafter until such time as the lessor elects to terminate the election;
- (iii) When such election is made, it shall apply to all vehicles of the lessor rented or leased for periods of one year or more except vehicles to be leased to common or contract carriers who provide to the lessor a valid common or contract carrier exemption certificate. If the lessor rents or leases other vehicles for periods of less than one year, such lessor shall maintain his or her books and records and his or her accounting procedure as the Tax Commissioner prescribes; and
- (iv) The Tax Commissioner by rule and regulation shall prescribe the contents and form of the notice of election, a procedure for the determination of the tax base of vehicles which are under an existing lease at the time such election becomes effective, the method and manner for terminating such election, and such other rules and regulations as may be necessary for the
- proper administration of this subdivision.

 (i) The tax imposed by this section on the sales of motor vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers as defined in sections 60-339, 60-348, and 60-354 shall be the liability of the purchaser and, with the exception of motor vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers registered pursuant to section 60-3,198, vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers registered pursuant to section 60-3,198, the tax shall be collected by the county treasurer as provided in the Motor Vehicle Registration Act<u>or</u> by an approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act at the time the purchaser makes application for the registration of the motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation upon the highways of this state. The tax imposed by this section on motor vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers registered pursuant to section 60-3,198 shall be collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles at the time the purchaser makes application for the registration of the motor vehicle. Semitrailer, or trailer for operation upon the highways of the motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation upon the highways of this state. At the time of the sale of any motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer, the seller shall (i) state on the sales invoice the dollar amount of the tax imposed under this section and (ii) furnish to the purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form as the Tax Commissioner

prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total sales price, the allowance for any trade-in, and the difference between the two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between the total sales price and the allowance for any trade-in as disclosed by such certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount upon which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one thousand dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be furnished to the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to furnish such certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser does not register such motor vehicle, semitrailer, or trailer for operation on the highways of this state within thirty days of the purchase thereof, the tax imposed by this section shall immediately thereafter be paid by the purchaser to the county treasurer or the Department of Motor Vehicles. If the tax is not paid on operation the thirtieth day after its purchase, the county treasurer or Department of Motor Vehicles shall also collect from the purchaser interest from the thirtieth day through the date of payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. The county treasurer or Department of Motor Vehicles shall report and remit the tax so collected to the Tax Commissioner by the fifteenth day of the following month. The county treasurer shall deduct and withhold for the use of the county general fund, from all amounts required to be collected under this subsection, the collection fee permitted to be deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall deduct, withhold, and deposit in the Motor Carrier Division Cash Fund the collection fee permitted to be deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax. The collection fee shall be forfeited if the county treasurer or Department of Motor Vehicles

(j)(i) The tax imposed by this section on the sale of a motorboat as defined in section 37-1204 shall be the liability of the purchaser. The tax shall be collected by the county treasurer at the time the purchaser makes application for the registration of the motorboat. At the time of the sale of a motorboat, the seller shall (A) state on the sales invoice the dollar amount of the tax imposed under this section and (B) furnish to the purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form as the Tax Commissioner prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total sales price, the allowance for any tradein, and the difference between the two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between the total sales price and the allowance for any tradein as disclosed by such certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount upon which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one thousand dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be furnished to the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to furnish such certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser does not register such motorboat within thirty days of the purchase thereof, the tax imposed by this section shall immediately thereafter be paid by the purchaser to the county treasurer. If the tax is not paid on or before the thirtieth day after its purchase, the county treasurer shall also collect from the purchaser interest from the thirtieth day through the date of payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. The county treasurer shall report and remit the tax so collected to the Tax Commissioner by the fifteenth day of the following month. The county treasurer shall deduct and withhold for the use of the county general fund, from all amounts required to be collected under this subsection, the collection fee perm

(ii) In the rental or lease of motorboats, the tax shall be collected by the lessor on the rental or lease price.

(k)(i) The tax imposed by this section on the sale of an all-terrain vehicle as defined in section 60-103 or a utility-type vehicle as defined in section 60-135.01 shall be the liability of the purchaser. The tax shall be collected by the county treasurer or by an approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act at the time the purchaser makes application for the certificate of title for the all-terrain vehicle or utility-type vehicle. At the time of the sale of an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle, the seller shall (A) state on the sales invoice the dollar amount of the tax imposed under this section and (B) furnish to the purchaser a certified statement of the transaction, in such form as the Tax Commissioner prescribes, setting forth as a minimum the total sales price, the allowance for any trade-in, and the difference between the two. The sales tax due shall be computed on the difference between the total sales price and the allowance for any trade-in as disclosed by such certified statement. Any seller who willfully understates the amount upon which the sales tax is due shall be subject to a penalty of one thousand dollars. A copy of such certified statement shall also be furnished to the Tax Commissioner. Any seller who fails or refuses to furnish such certified statement shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars. If the purchaser does not obtain a certificate of title for such all-terrain vehicle or utility-type vehicle within thirty days of the purchase thereof, the tax imposed by this section shall immediately thereafter be paid by the purchaser to the county treasurer. If the tax is not paid on or

before the thirtieth day after its purchase, the county treasurer shall also collect from the purchaser interest from the thirtieth day through the date of payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act of payment and sales tax penalties as provided in the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967. The county treasurer shall report and remit the tax so collected to the Tax Commissioner by the fifteenth day of the following month. The county treasurer shall deduct and withhold for the use of the county general fund, from all amounts required to be collected under this subsection, the collection fee permitted to be deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax. The collection fee shall be forfeited if the county treasurer violates any rule or regulation pertaining to the collection of the use tax.

(ii) In the rental or lease of an all-terrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle, the tax shall be collected by the lessor on the rental or lease price.

- (iii) County treasurers are appointed as sales and use tax collectors for all sales of all-terrain vehicles or utility-type vehicles made outside of this state to purchasers or users of all-terrain vehicles or utility-type vehicles which are required to have a certificate of title in this state. The county treasurer shall collect the applicable use tax from the purchaser of an allterrain vehicle or a utility-type vehicle purchased outside of this state at the time application for a certificate of title is made. The full use tax on the purchase price shall be collected by the county treasurer if a sales or occupation tax was not paid by the purchaser in the state of purchase. If a sales or occupation tax was lawfully paid in the state of purchase at a rate less than the tax imposed in this state, use tax must be collected on the difference as a condition for obtaining a certificate of title in this state. difference as a condition for obtaining a certificate of title in this state.
- (1) The Tax Commissioner shall adopt and promulgate necessary rules and regulations for determining the amount subject to the taxes imposed by this section so as to insure that the full amount of any applicable tax is paid in cases in which a sale is made of which a part is subject to the taxes imposed by this section and a part of which is not so subject and a separate accounting is not practical or economical.

 (2) A use tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use, or other consumption
- in this state of property purchased, leased, or rented from any retailer and on any transaction the gross receipts of which are subject to tax under subsection (1) of this section on or after June 1, 1967, for storage, use, or other consumption in this state at the rate set as provided in subsection (1) of this section on the sales price of the property or, in the case of leases or rentals, of the lease or rental prices.
- (a) Every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming in this state property purchased from a retailer or leased or rented from another person for such purpose shall be liable for the use tax at the rate in effect when his or her liability for the use tax becomes certain under the accounting basis used her liability for the use tax becomes certain under the accounting basis used to maintain his or her books and records. His or her liability shall not be extinguished until the use tax has been paid to this state, except that a receipt from a retailer engaged in business in this state or from a retailer who is authorized by the Tax Commissioner, under such rules and regulations as he or she may prescribe, to collect the sales tax and who is, for the purposes of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 relating to the sales tax, regarded as a retailer engaged in business in this state, which receipt is given to the purchaser pursuant to subdivision (b) of this subsection, shall be sufficient to relieve the purchaser from further liability for the tax to which the receipt refers receipt refers.
- (b) Every retailer engaged in business in this state and selling, leasing, or renting property for storage, use, or other consumption in this state shall, at the time of making any sale, collect any tax which may be due from the purchaser and shall give to the purchaser, upon request, a receipt therefor in the manner and form prescribed by the Tax Commissioner.
- (c) The Tax Commissioner, in order to facilitate the proper administration of the use tax, may designate such person or persons as he or she may deem necessary to be use tax collectors and delegate to such persons such authority as is necessary to collect any use tax which is due and payable to the State of Nebraska. The Tax Commissioner may require of all persons so designated a surety bond in favor of the State of Nebraska to insure against any misappropriation of state funds so collected. The Tax Commissioner may require any tax official, city, county, or state, to collect the use tax on behalf of the state. All persons designated to or required to collect the use tax shall account for such collections in the manner prescribed by the Tax Commissioner. Nothing in this subdivision shall be so construed as to prevent the Tax Commissioner or his or her employees from collecting any use taxes due and payable to the State of Nebraska.
- (d) All persons designated to collect the use tax and all persons required to collect the use tax shall forward the total of such collections to the Tax Commissioner at such time and in such manner as the Tax Commissioner may prescribe. For all use taxes collected prior to October 1, 2002, such collectors of the use tax shall deduct and withhold from the amount of taxes collected two and one half percent of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month and one-half of one percent of all amounts in excess of three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax. For use taxes collected on and after October 1, 2002, such collectors of the use tax shall deduct and withhold from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax. Any such deduction shall be forfeited to the State of Nebraska if such collector violates any rule, regulation, or directive of the Tax Commissioner.

- (e) For the purpose of the proper administration of the Nebraska Revenue (e) For the purpose of the proper administration of the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the use tax, it shall be presumed that property sold, leased, or rented by any person for delivery in this state is sold, leased, or rented for storage, use, or other consumption in this state until the contrary is established. The burden of proving the contrary is upon the person who purchases, leases, or rents the property.

 (f) For the purpose of the proper administration of the Nebraska Revenue
- Act of 1967 and to prevent evasion of the use tax, for the sale of property to an advertising agency which purchases the property as an agent for a disclosed or undisclosed principal, the advertising agency is and remains liable for the sales and use tax on the purchase the same as if the principal had made the purchase directly.
- Sec. 99. Section 81-8,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, amended to read:

81-8,219 The State Tort Claims Act shall not apply to:

- (1) Any claim based upon an act or omission of an employee of the state, exercising due care, in the execution of a statute, rule, or regulation, whether or not such statute, rule, or regulation is valid, or based upon the exercise or performance or the failure to exercise or perform a discretionary function or duty on the part of a state agency or an employee of the state, whether or not the discretion is abused:
- whether or not the discretion is abused;
 (2) Any claim arising with respect to the assessment or collection of any tax or fee, or the detention of any goods or merchandise by any law enforcement officer;
- (3) Any claim for damages caused by the imposition or establishment of a quarantine by the state whether such quarantine relates to persons or property;
- (4) Any claim arising out of assault, battery, false imprisonment, false arrest, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, libel, slander,
- misrepresentation, deceit, or interference with contract rights;

 (5) Any claim by an employee of the state which is covered by the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act;
- (6) Any claim based on activities of the Nebraska National Guard when such claim is cognizable under the Federal Tort Claims Act, 28 U.S.C. 2674, or the National Guard Tort Claims Act of the United States, 32 U.S.C. 715, or when such claim accrues as a result of active federal service or state service at the call of the Governor for quelling riots and civil disturbances; (7) Any claim based upon the failure to make an inspection or making an
- inadequate or negligent inspection of any property other than property owned by leased to the state to determine whether the property complies with or violates any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation or contains a hazard to public health or safety unless the state had reasonable notice of such hazard or the failure to inspect or inadequate or negligent inspection constitutes a reckless disregard for public health or safety;
- (8) Any claim based upon the issuance, denial, suspension, or revocation of or failure or refusal to issue, deny, suspend, or revoke any permit, license, certificate, or order. Such claim shall also not be filed against a state employee acting within the scope of his or her office. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit the state's liability for any claim based upon the negligent execution by a state employee in the issuance of a certificate of title under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act and the State Boat Act except when such title is issued upon an application filed electronically by an approved licensed dealer participating in the electronic <u>dealer services system pursuant to section 77 of this act;</u>
- (9) Any claim arising out of the malfunction, destruction, or unauthorized removal of any traffic or road sign, signal, or warning device unless it is not corrected by the governmental entity responsible within a reasonable time after actual or constructive notice of such malfunction, destruction, or removal. Nothing in this subdivision shall give rise to liability arising from an act or omission of any governmental entity in placing or removing any traffic or road signs, signals, or warning devices when such placement or removal is the result of a discretionary act of the governmental entity;
- (10) Any claim arising out of snow or ice conditions or other temporary conditions caused by nature on any highway as defined in section 60-624, bridge, public thoroughfare, or other state-owned public place due to weather conditions. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit the state's liability for any claim arising out of the operation of a motor vehicle by an employee of the state while acting within the course and scope of his or her employment by the state;
- (11) Any claim arising out of the plan or design for the construction of or an improvement to any highway as defined in such section or bridge, either in original construction or any improvement thereto, if the plan or design is approved in advance of the construction or improvement by the governing body of the governmental entity or some other body or employee exercising discretionary
- authority to give such approval;
 (12) Any claim arising out of the alleged insufficiency or want of repair of any highway as defined in such section, bridge, or other public thoroughfare. Insufficiency or want of repair shall be construed to refer to the general or overall condition and shall not refer to a spot or localized defect. The state shall be deemed to waive its immunity for a claim due to a spot or localized defect only if the state has had actual or constructive notice of the defect within a reasonable time to allow repair prior to the incident giving rice to the plaim. incident giving rise to the claim;
 - (13)(a) Any claim relating to recreational activities on property leased,

owned, or controlled by the state for which no fee is charged (i) resulting from the inherent risk of the recreational activity, (ii) arising out of a spot or localized defect of the premises unless the spot or localized defect is not corrected within a reasonable time after actual or constructive notice of the spot or localized defect, or (iii) arising out of the design of a skatepark or bicycle motocross park constructed for purposes of skateboarding, inline skating, bicycling, or scootering that was constructed or reconstructed, reasonably and in good faith, in accordance with generally recognized engineering or safety standards or design theories in existence at the time of the construction or reconstruction. For purposes of this subdivision, the state shall be charged with constructive notice only when the failure to discover the spot or localized defect of the premises is the result of gross negligence.
(b) For purposes of this subdivision:

- (i) Recreational activities include, but are not limited to, whether as a participant or spectator: Hunting, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, hiking, walking, running, horseback riding, use of trails, nature study, waterskiing, winter sports, use of playground equipment, biking, roller blading, skateboarding, golfing, athletic contests; visiting, viewing, or enjoying entertainment events, festivals, or historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites; and similar leisure activities;
- (ii) Inherent risk of recreational activities means those risks that are characteristic of, intrinsic to, or an integral part of the activity;

 (iii) Gross negligence means the absence of even slight care in the

performance of a duty involving an unreasonable risk of harm; and (iv) Fee means a fee to participate in or be a spectator at a recreational activity. A fee shall include payment by the claimant to any person or organization other than the state only to the extent the state retains control over the premises or the activity. A fee shall not include payment of a fee or charge for parking or vehicle entry.

(c) This subdivision, and not subdivision (7) of this section, shall apply to any claim arising from the inspection or failure to make an inspection or negligent inspection of premises owned or leased by the state and used for recreational activities; or
(14) Any claim arising as a result of a special event during a period of

time specified in a notice provided by a political subdivision pursuant to subsection (3) of section 39-1359.

The Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund is created. The fund shall be administered by the Commission on Indian Affairs and shall consist of money credited to the fund pursuant to section 61 of this act. The commission shall use the fund to provide scholarships to Native Americans to attend a postsecondary educational institution in this state and to provide other leadership opportunities to Native Americans as determined by the commission. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

Sec. 101. Section 83-123, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

83-123 (1) Out of the fund appropriated by the Legislature, the Department of Correctional Services shall purchase the materials for, and manufacture, and deliver the license plates each year for to the various counties and the Department of Motor Vehicles in the State of Nebraska. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall furnish to the Department of Correctional Services the information concerning license plates through a secure process and system, together with the number of plates to be manufactured for each county and the Department of Motor Vehicles in the state for the current licensing year to the Department of Correctional Services year, to the Department of Correctional Services.

(2) The Department of Correctional Services shall deliver the license plates each year as directed by the Department of Motor Vehicles through a secure process and system.

Sec. 102. The Revisor of Statutes shall assign sections 76 and 77 of this act to Chapter 60, article 15.

Sec. 103. Sections 5, 6, 17, 20, 22, 52, 101, and 104 of this act become operative on January 1, 2019. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 54, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 64, 65, 66, 68, 69, 71, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, and 105 of this act become operative three calendar months after the adjournment of this legislative session. The other sections of this act become operative on their effective date.

Sec. 104. Original sections 37-1283, 37-1287, 60-192, and 83-123, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-161, 60-166, and 60-3,141,

Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.

Sec. 105. Original sections 13-910, 37-1201, 37-1279, 60-168.02, 60-394, 60-3,126, 60-3,184, 60-483, 60-4,109, 60-4,168.01, 60-506.01, 60-699, 60-6,168, 76-2316, 76-2319, 76-2320, and 81-8,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-104, 60-105, 60-104, 60-1 76-2316, 76-2319, 76-2320, and 81-8,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of Neuraska, and sections 60-101, 60-102, 60-144, 60-149, 60-154, 60-155, 60-164, 60-301, 60-302, 60-372, 60-385, 60-393, 60-395, 60-396, 60-3,104, 60-3,104.01, 60-3,118, 60-3,120, 60-3,121, 60-3,122, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,123, 60-3,124, 60-3,125, 60-3,128, 60-3,130.04, 60-3,135.01, 60-3,161, 60-3,224, 60-3,227, 60-3,231, 60-4,108, 60-4,168, 60-1505, 60-2904, 60-2907, 76-2325, and 77-2703, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.

Sec. 106. Original sections 75-110, 75-303.01, 75-303.02, and 75-303.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-119.01, 60-317,

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60-336.01, 60-363, 60-386, 60-3,113.04, 60-3,151, 60-3,193.01, 60-3,229, 60-462.01, 60-479.01, 60-4,147.02, 60-501, 60-628.01, 75-128, 75-306, 75-309, 75-311, 75-363, 75-364, 75-366, 75-369.03, 75-392, and 75-393, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.

Sec. 107. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law.