

AMENDMENTS TO LB972

Introduced by Transportation and Telecommunications.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 **Section 1.** Sections 1 to 35 of this act shall be known and may be
4 cited as the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.

5 **Sec. 2.** The Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act applies to
6 agreements between dealers and manufacturers that are entered into on or
7 after the operative date of this section.

8 **Sec. 3.** The Legislature declares that:

9 (1) The public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of this
10 state can be protected by regulating the relationship between dealers and
11 manufacturers, maintaining competition between dealers and manufacturers,
12 and providing consumer protection and fair trade for the purchase and
13 consumer care of recreational vehicles; and

14 (2) The recreational vehicle industry operates differently than the
15 motor vehicle industry in certain respects and these differences should
16 be reflected in franchise law to serve the needs of consumers, dealers,
17 manufacturers, distributors, and warrantors.

18 **Sec. 4.** For purposes of the Recreational Vehicle Industry
19 Regulation Act:

20 (1) Area of sales responsibility means the geographical area agreed
21 to by the dealer and the manufacturer in the manufacturer-dealer
22 agreement, within which the dealer has the exclusive right to display or
23 sell the manufacturer's new recreational vehicles of a particular line-
24 make;

25 (2) Board has the same meaning as in section 60-1401.06;

26 (3)(a) Bona fide consumer means an owner of a recreational vehicle
27 that has:

1 (i) Acquired such recreational vehicle for use in business or for
2 pleasure purposes;

3 (ii) Been granted a certificate of title for such recreational
4 vehicle; and

5 (iii) Registered such recreational vehicle in accordance with the
6 laws of the residence of the owner; and

7 (b) Bona fide consumer does not include any owner that sells more
8 than eight registered recreational vehicles within a twelve-month period;

9 (4) Consumer care means the performance, for the public, of
10 necessary maintenance and repairs to recreational vehicles, including
11 diagnostic work and warranty service;

12 (5) Dealer means any individual or business entity that is licensed
13 under the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act to sell new
14 recreational vehicles;

15 (6) Distributor means any individual or business entity that
16 purchases new recreational vehicles for resale to dealers;

17 (7) Factory campaign means an effort on the part of a warrantor to
18 contact recreational vehicle owners or dealers in order to address a part
19 or equipment issue;

20 (8) Family member means a spouse or, whether by blood, marriage, or
21 adoption, a child, grandchild, parent, sibling, niece, or nephew, or the
22 spouse of any such person;

23 (9) Licensee means a person that holds a license issued under the
24 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act;

25 (10) Line-make means a specific series of recreational vehicles
26 that:

27 (a) Are targeted to a particular market segment, as determined by
28 their decor, features, equipment, size, weight, and price range;

29 (b) Have lengths and interior floor plans that distinguish the line-
30 make from other line-makes with substantially the same decor, equipment,
31 features, price, and weight; and

1 (c) Belong to a single, distinct classification of recreational
2 vehicles that have a substantial degree of commonality in the
3 construction of the chassis, frame, and body;

4 (11) Manufacturer means any individual or business entity that
5 engages in the manufacturing of recreational vehicles;

6 (12) Manufacturer-dealer agreement means a written agreement or
7 contract entered into between a manufacturer or distributor and a dealer
8 that specifies the rights and responsibilities of the parties to the
9 agreement and authorizes the dealer to sell line-makes of new
10 recreational vehicles that are manufactured by the manufacturer;

11 (13) Model means a series of recreational vehicles that are
12 identified by a trade name or trademark that is a subset of a line-make;

13 (14) Motor vehicle dealer has the same meaning as in section
14 60-1401.26;

15 (15) Motorcycle dealer has the same meaning as in section
16 60-1401.29;

17 (16) New recreational vehicle means any recreational vehicle that is
18 not included within the definition of a used recreational vehicle;

19 (17) Proprietary part means any part that is manufactured by or for
20 and sold exclusively by the manufacturer;

21 (18)(a) Recreational vehicle means a vehicle that is either self-
22 propelled or towed by a consumer-owned tow vehicle and that is designed
23 to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel
24 use; and

25 (b) Recreational vehicle includes motor homes, travel trailers,
26 fifth-wheel travel trailers, truck campers, and folding camping trailers;

27 (19) Termination action means the termination of, cancellation of,
28 or failure to renew an entire manufacturer-dealer agreement or any
29 provision relating to any model or line-make in a manufacturer-dealer
30 agreement;

31 (20) Trailer dealer has the same meaning as in section 60-1401.37;

1 (21) Transient customer means a customer who is temporarily
2 traveling through a dealer's area of sales responsibility;

3 (22)(a) Used recreational vehicle means every recreational vehicle
4 that has been sold, bargained, exchanged, or given away or for which
5 title has been transferred from the person who first acquired it from the
6 manufacturer, distributor, or dealer; and

7 (b) A new recreational vehicle is not considered a used recreational
8 vehicle until it has been placed in use by a bona fide consumer or until
9 it has been registered under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act by a bona
10 fide consumer;

11 (23) Warrantor means any individual or business entity that provides
12 a warranty in connection with a new recreational vehicle or parts,
13 accessories, or components for a new recreational vehicle. Such warranty
14 does not include the following that are sold for separate consideration
15 by a dealer or other person not controlled by a manufacturer: Any service
16 contract, mechanical or other insurance, and extended warranty;

17 (24) Warranty part means any part, accessory, or component of a
18 recreational vehicle that is covered by a warranty that was issued by a
19 warrantor; and

20 (25) Warranty service means consumer care that is provided under the
21 terms of or to comply with a warranty.

22 **Sec. 5. (1) The board may:**

23 (a) Regulate the issuance and revocation of licenses in accordance
24 with and subject to the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act;

25 (b) Perform all acts and duties provided for in the Recreational
26 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act that are necessary to the administration
27 and enforcement of the act;

28 (c) Adopt and promulgate rules and regulations relating to the
29 administration of but not inconsistent with the Recreational Vehicle
30 Industry Regulation Act;

31 (d) Enforce rules and regulations that were adopted and promulgated

1 by the board; and

2 (e) Employ a hearing officer who shall conduct preliminary hearings
3 on behalf of the board and make recommendations to the board on any issue
4 or matter that the board deems proper.

5 (2) The seal of the board shall be used to authenticate the acts of
6 the board. Copies of all records and papers in the office of the board
7 under the hand and seal of the office shall be received in evidence in
8 all cases equally and with like effect as the original.

9 (3) Investigators employed by the board may enter upon and inspect
10 the facilities, the required records, and any recreational vehicles found
11 in any licensee's established place or places of business.

12 (4) With respect to any action taken by the board, if a controlling
13 number of the members of the board are active participants in the
14 recreational vehicle market in which the action is taken, the chairperson
15 of the board shall review the action taken and, upon completion of such
16 review, modify, alter, approve, or reject the board's action.

17 **Sec. 6.** (1) Licenses issued by the board under the Recreational
18 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act shall be of the classes set out in this
19 section and shall permit the business activities described in this
20 section:

21 (a) Recreational vehicle dealer license. This license permits:

22 (i) The selling or exchanging of new recreational vehicles at:

23 (A) Any established place of business designated in the license;

24 (B) Another place or places of business located within three hundred
25 feet of such designated place of business; and

26 (C) Any place within the county described in the license; and

27 (ii) Either the individual owner of the business or one stockholder
28 in, member in, partner in, or officer of the business, to act as a
29 recreational vehicle salesperson and the name of the one authorized
30 person shall appear on the license;

31 (b) Manufacturer license. This license:

1 (i) Permits the licensee to engage in the activities of a
2 manufacturer; and

3 (ii) Prohibits the licensee from directly or indirectly owning an
4 interest in, operating, controlling, or acting in the capacity of any:

5 (A) Franchised dealer or franchised dealership for the same line-
6 make of recreational vehicle that is manufactured by the licensee; or

7 (B) Nonfranchised dealer or dealership; and

8 (c) Distributor license. This license:

9 (i) Permits the licensee to engage in the activities of a
10 distributor; and

11 (ii) Prohibits the licensee from directly or indirectly owning an
12 interest in, operating, controlling, or acting in the capacity of any:

13 (A) Franchised dealer or franchised dealership for the same line-
14 make of recreational vehicle that is distributed by the licensee; or

15 (B) Nonfranchised dealer or dealership.

16 (2) For purposes of this section, a dealer or dealership is
17 controlled by a manufacturer or distributor if such manufacturer or
18 distributor is directly or indirectly authorized, by law or by an
19 agreement of the parties, to direct or influence the management or
20 policies of the dealer or dealership.

21 Sec. 7. Any person may apply for one or more of the classes of
22 licenses described in section 6 of this act. Such application shall be
23 prescribed by the board and contain the following information:

24 (1)(a) If the applicant is an individual, the name and address of
25 the applicant, the applicant's social security number, and the name under
26 which the applicant intends to conduct business;

27 (b) If the applicant is a partnership or limited liability company,
28 the name and address of each partner or member, the social security
29 number of each partner or member, and the name under which the applicant
30 intends to conduct business; or

31 (c) If the applicant is not an individual, a partnership, or a

1 limited liability company, the applicant's name, the name and address of
2 each of the applicant's principal officers, and the name under which the
3 applicant intends to conduct business;

4 (2)(a) The address of each place where the applicant intends to
5 conduct business, (b) a statement whether the applicant owns or leases
6 each such place, (c) for each such place that is leased, a true and
7 correct copy of the lease agreement, and (d) a description of the
8 facilities for the display of recreational vehicles;

9 (3) If the application is for a recreational vehicle dealer license,
10 the name and address of the individual who is to act as the salesperson
11 under such license if issued;

12 (4) If the application is for a manufacturer license or a
13 distributor license, a statement regarding the manufacturer's or
14 distributor's compliance with the Recreational Vehicle Industry
15 Regulation Act; and

16 (5) A statement that the applicant will comply with and be subject
17 to the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the rules and
18 regulations adopted and promulgated by the board, and any amendments to
19 such act and such rules and regulations.

20 **Sec. 8.** (1) Only a dealer may sell a new recreational vehicle in
21 this state to a bona fide consumer.

22 (2) A manufacturer or distributor shall not sell a new recreational
23 vehicle in this state to or through a dealer without having first entered
24 into a manufacturer-dealer agreement with such dealer. Any such agreement
25 shall be signed by both parties.

26 (3) A motor vehicle dealer, motorcycle dealer, or trailer dealer
27 shall not sell a new recreational vehicle in this state without becoming
28 licensed as a dealer under the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation
29 Act.

30 (4) This section applies beginning on January 1, 2027.

31 **Sec. 9.** (1) A manufacturer-dealer agreement shall include:

1 (a) A designation of the area of sales responsibility assigned to
2 the dealer;

3 (b) The timeframe for inspection and refusal to take delivery of a
4 recreational vehicle by the dealer pursuant to section 31 of this act.
5 Such timeframe shall not be less than two business days after the
6 physical delivery of the recreational vehicle;

7 (c) The terms of the manufacturer-dealer agreement; and

8 (d) The duration of the manufacturer-dealer agreement.

9 (2) A manufacturer-dealer agreement shall not:

10 (a) Include any provision that requires a party to violate the
11 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act. Any such provision is null
12 and void;

13 (b) Provide for the sale of a model or line-make that is already
14 authorized to be sold by another dealer in the same area of sales
15 responsibility; or

16 (c) Be changed during the duration of the manufacturer-dealer
17 agreement without the written mutual consent of the parties, including
18 the area of sales responsibility.

19 (3) A manufacturer shall not issue a policy or procedure that
20 violates or substantially alters a provision of a manufacturer-dealer
21 agreement during the duration of such agreement without the written
22 mutual consent of the parties.

23 **Sec. 10.** (1) When a manufacturer distributes new recreational
24 vehicles to any dealer under the terms of a manufacturer-dealer
25 agreement, such distribution shall be in a fair and equitable manner.

26 (2) Any such dealer may request information on the manner of
27 distribution from such manufacturer. Such request shall be made in
28 writing and delivered to the headquarters of the manufacturer. Upon
29 receipt of such request, such manufacturer shall provide such information
30 to the headquarters of the dealer in written form within thirty business
31 days after receipt of such request.

1 **Sec. 11.** A manufacturer shall provide each dealer with which the
2 manufacturer has executed a current manufacturer-dealer agreement with
3 adequate technical data so that the dealer can perform consumer care and
4 repairs on the recreational vehicles that were manufactured by the
5 manufacturer and sold by the dealer.

6 **Sec. 12.** (1) A manufacturer or distributor shall not initiate a
7 termination action, including directly or through any officer, agent, or
8 employee of such manufacturer or distributor, unless at least one reason
9 showing that good cause exists for such termination action.

10 (2) A manufacturer or distributor that initiates a termination
11 action has the burden of showing good cause for such termination action.
12 For purposes of determining reasons showing that good cause exists for a
13 manufacturer or distributor to initiate a termination action, any of the
14 following factors may be considered:

15 (a) The extent of the affected dealer's penetration in the relevant
16 market area for the relevant model or line-make;

17 (b) The nature and extent of the dealer's investment in the dealer's
18 business;

19 (c) The adequacy of the dealer's service facilities, equipment,
20 parts, supplies, and personnel;

21 (d) The effect of the termination action on the community;

22 (e) The extent and quality of the dealer's service under
23 recreational vehicle warranties;

24 (f) The failure to follow agreed-upon, reasonable procedures or
25 standards related to the overall operation of the dealership consistent
26 with the law and the manufacturer-dealer agreement;

27 (g) The dealer's performance under the terms of the manufacturer-
28 dealer agreement;

29 (h) The dealer or one of its owners being convicted of, or entering
30 a plea of nolo contendere to, a felony;

31 (i) The abandonment or closing of the business operations of the

1 dealer for ten consecutive business days unless the closing is due to an
2 act of God, strike, labor difficulty, or other cause over which the
3 dealer has no control;

4 (j) A significant misrepresentation by the dealer that materially
5 affects the business relationship between the manufacturer or distributor
6 and the dealer; and

7 (k) A suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal of the dealer's
8 recreational vehicle dealer license under the Recreational Vehicle
9 Industry Regulation Act.

10 **Sec. 13.** (1)(a) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this
11 section, a manufacturer or distributor shall provide the dealer with a
12 written notice that states the manufacturer's or distributor's intent to
13 initiate a termination action.

14 (b) Such written notice shall be delivered to the headquarters of
15 the dealer at least:

16 (i) One hundred twenty days prior to the intended termination
17 action; or

18 (ii) Thirty days prior to the intended termination action if the
19 reasons showing that good cause exists for initiating a termination
20 action include any reason under subdivisions (2)(h) through (k) of section
21 12 of this act.

22 (c) Such written notice shall state:

23 (i) Each reason showing that good cause exists for the proposed
24 termination action;

25 (ii) The date of the proposed termination action; and

26 (iii) That, within thirty days after receiving the notice, the
27 dealer may provide to the manufacturer or distributor a written notice of
28 intent to cure each reason stated for the proposed termination action.
29 Such notice of intent to cure shall be delivered to the headquarters of
30 the manufacturer or distributor.

31 (2)(a) For a dealer that provides the notice described in

1 subdivision (1)(c)(iii) of this section, such dealer has ninety days
2 after such notice was received by the manufacturer or distributor to cure
3 each reason stated for the proposed termination action.

4 (b) If each reason for the proposed termination action is cured as
5 specified in subdivision (2)(a) of this section, the manufacturer or
6 distributor shall not initiate the proposed termination action.

7 (3) For a dealer that does not provide the notice described in
8 subdivision (1)(c)(iii) of this section, the manufacturer or distributor
9 may initiate the proposed termination action on the date stated in the
10 written notice provided by the manufacturer or distributor pursuant to
11 subsection (1) of this section.

12 (4) A manufacturer or distributor does not need to provide written
13 notice to a dealer of a proposed termination action if the dealer is
14 experiencing insolvency, the occurrence of an assignment for the benefit
15 of creditors, or bankruptcy.

16 **Sec. 14.** (1) A dealer may initiate a termination action with a
17 manufacturer or distributor with or without good cause at any time by
18 providing a written notice of the termination action to the manufacturer
19 or distributor. Such written notice shall be delivered to the
20 headquarters of the manufacturer or distributor at least thirty days
21 prior to the date of the termination action.

22 (2) A dealer that initiates a termination action for good cause has
23 the burden of showing good cause for such termination action. For
24 purposes of determining good cause under this section, any of the
25 following factors may be considered:

26 (a) The manufacturer or distributor being convicted of, or entering
27 a plea of nolo contendere to, a felony;

28 (b) The business operations of the manufacturer or distributor being
29 abandoned or closed for ten consecutive business days, unless the closing
30 is due to any act of God, strike, labor difficulty, or other cause over
31 which the manufacturer or distributor has no control;

1 (c) A significant misrepresentation by the manufacturer or
2 distributor that materially affects the business relationship between the
3 dealer and the manufacturer or distributor;

4 (d) A material violation of the Recreational Vehicle Industry
5 Regulation Act by the manufacturer or distributor that is not cured
6 within thirty days after receipt of the written notice that is provided
7 by the dealer to the headquarters of the manufacturer or distributor;

8 (e) A declaration by the manufacturer or distributor of bankruptcy,
9 insolvency, or the occurrence of an assignment for the benefit of
10 creditors;

11 (f) A material violation of the manufacturer-dealer agreement by the
12 manufacturer that is not cured within one hundred twenty days after
13 written notice that is provided by the dealer to the headquarters of the
14 manufacturer;

15 (g) Coercion of the dealer by the manufacturer or distributor; and

16 (h) A violation by the manufacturer or distributor of the area of
17 sales responsibility specified in the manufacturer-dealer agreement or
18 allowing other dealers to violate such area of sales responsibility.

19 **Sec. 15.** (1) This section applies to any termination action that is
20 initiated when a manufacturer terminates without good cause or a dealer
21 terminates with good cause and the termination action is:

22 (a) Initiated by a manufacturer or distributor and is not in
23 accordance with section 13 of this act;

24 (b) Initiated pursuant to subsection (3) of section 13 of this act;
25 or

26 (c) Initiated pursuant to section 14 of this act.

27 (2) At the election of the dealer and within forty-five days after
28 the date of the termination action, the manufacturer or distributor shall
29 repurchase:

30 (a) All new, untitled recreational vehicles that were acquired by
31 the dealer from the manufacturer or distributor within the eighteen-month

1 period prior to the date of the termination action. Any such recreational
2 vehicles shall not have not been used except for demonstration purposes
3 and shall not have not been altered. Such recreational vehicles shall be
4 purchased at one hundred percent of the original net invoice cost,
5 including transportation and less applicable rebates and discounts
6 provided to the dealer. If any such recreational vehicle that is
7 repurchased is damaged prior to purchase, the repurchase amount due to
8 the dealer shall be reduced by the cost to repair such damaged
9 recreational vehicle;

10 (b) All undamaged accessories and proprietary parts sold to the
11 dealer by the manufacturer or distributor for resale within the twelve-
12 month period prior to the date of the termination action. Any such
13 accessories and proprietary parts shall be accompanied by their original
14 invoice. Such accessories and parts shall be repurchased at one hundred
15 five percent of the original net invoice price; and

16 (c) Any properly functioning diagnostic equipment, special tools,
17 current signage, and other equipment and machinery, that (i) was
18 originally purchased by the dealer within five years before the date of
19 the termination action, (ii) was originally purchased upon the
20 manufacturer's or distributor's request, and (iii) can no longer be used
21 in the normal course of the dealer's ongoing business. The manufacturer
22 or distributor shall pay to the dealer one hundred percent of the net
23 cost that the dealer paid to acquire such equipment, tools, signage, and
24 machinery. The manufacturer or distributor shall reimburse the dealer for
25 any freight, destination, delivery, and distribution charges and sales
26 taxes, if any, related to the original purchase and the repurchase of
27 such equipment, tools, signage, and machinery.

28 (3) Any repurchased recreational vehicle shall be paid for in full
29 before such recreational vehicle is removed from the dealer's premises.
30 After payment in full and upon the request of the manufacturer or
31 distributor, such recreational vehicle shall be immediately surrendered

1 to the manufacturer or distributor.

2 **Sec. 16.** Notwithstanding any other provision of the Recreational
3 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, if any recreational vehicle of a model
4 or line-make that is the subject of a termination agreement is not
5 repurchased or required to be repurchased by the manufacturer or
6 distributor, a dealer may sell the remaining inventory of such model or
7 line-make or any accessory or part for such model or line-make that such
8 dealer has in stock.

9 **Sec. 17.** (1) Prior to entering a new manufacturer-dealer agreement
10 to sell the same line-make, a dealer shall provide written notice to each
11 manufacturer and distributor with which the dealer has a manufacturer-
12 dealer agreement.

13 (2) Such written notice shall:

14 (a) Be provided to the headquarters of the manufacturer or
15 distributor at least thirty days prior to entering the new manufacturer-
16 dealer agreement;

17 (b) Specify that the dealer will be entering a new manufacturer-
18 dealer agreement;

19 (c) Specify the line-make that is the subject of the new
20 manufacturer-dealer agreement; and

21 (d) Specify the length of time that the new manufacturer-dealer
22 agreement will be effective.

23 **Sec. 18.** A manufacturer-dealer agreement that has been renewed
24 shall not require additional inventory stocking requirements or increased
25 retail sales targets in excess of the market growth in the dealer's area
26 of sales responsibility.

27 **Sec. 19.** (1) A dealer shall provide written notice to each
28 manufacturer and distributor with which the manufacturer is currently
29 under a manufacturer-dealer agreement that such dealer intends to change
30 ownership by any manner, including the sale of assets of the dealer and a
31 stock transfer. Such written notice shall be provided at least ten

1 business days before the change of ownership to the headquarters of each
2 such manufacturer and distributor.

3 (2)(a) Within three business days after receiving a written notice
4 under this section, a manufacturer or distributor may request the dealer
5 to provide any supporting documentation that is required by the
6 manufacturer or distributor to determine if such manufacturer or
7 distributor will object to the change in ownership.

8 (b) Any such requested supporting documentation shall be provided by
9 the dealer within three business days after receiving the request for
10 such supporting documentation.

11 **Sec. 20.** (1) A manufacturer or distributor shall not object to a
12 change in ownership of a dealer unless:

13 (a) The change in ownership would breach the manufacturer-dealer
14 agreement;

15 (b) The dealer failed to provide any requested supporting
16 documentation under section 19 of this act;

17 (c) The prospective transferee:

18 (i) Has been terminated for cause in a termination action initiated
19 by the manufacturer under a previous manufacturer-dealer agreement;

20 (ii) Has been convicted of a felony or any crime of fraud, deceit,
21 or moral turpitude;

22 (iii) Lacks any license necessary to own and operate the dealership
23 under the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act;

24 (iv) Does not have an active line of credit that is sufficient to
25 purchase the manufacturer's or distributor's products under the
26 manufacturer-dealer agreement; or

27 (v) Within the ten years prior to the date of receipt of the written
28 notice provided under section 19 of this act, has undergone bankruptcy,
29 insolvency, a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the
30 appointment of a receiver, trustee, or conservator to take possession of
31 the transferee's business or property; or

1 (d) If the prospective transferee is a family member of the dealer,
2 such family member intends to do any of the following without the consent
3 of the manufacturer or distributor:

4 (i) Relocate the dealership to any location; or

5 (ii) Alter the terms or conditions of the manufacturer-dealer
6 agreement.

7 (2) If the manufacturer or distributor objects to a change of
8 ownership, the manufacturer or distributor shall provide written notice
9 of its reasons for the objection to the dealer within seven business days
10 after receipt of the written notification provided by the dealer under
11 section 19 of this act. The manufacturer or distributor has the burden of
12 proof with regard to its objection.

13 (3) If a manufacturer or distributor does not object to the change
14 in ownership pursuant to this section, the change in ownership shall be
15 deemed approved by such manufacturer or distributor.

16 **Sec. 21.** A warrantor shall:

17 (1) Specify a dealer's obligations, if any, for preparation,
18 delivery, and consumer care on products that are under warranty by the
19 warrantor. Any such obligations shall be specified in writing;

20 (2) Compensate a dealer for consumer care that is (i) performed by
21 such dealer and (ii) covered by a warranty issued by the warrantor;

22 (3) Create a schedule of compensation and provide such schedule to
23 each dealer that is authorized by the warrantor to perform warranty
24 service; and

25 (4) Whenever the warrantor modifies a schedule of compensation,
26 provide such updated schedule of compensation to each dealer that is
27 authorized by the warrantor to perform warranty service.

28 **Sec. 22.** (1) A schedule of compensation that is created or modified
29 by a warrantor shall include the:

30 (a) Reasonable compensation that will be paid by the warrantor to
31 the dealer for performing consumer care. Such compensation shall not be

1 less than the lowest retail labor rate actually charged by the dealer in
2 the ordinary course of business for like nonwarranty consumer care; and

3 (b) Reasonable time allowances for the performance of consumer care.

4 (2)(a) Any particular consumer care that is performed by a dealer
5 and that is not included in a schedule of compensation shall be paid by
6 the warrantor at the actual time expended to complete the consumer care.

7 (b) A warrantor may dispute a payment required by subdivision (a) of
8 this subsection. A warrantor that disputes any such payment shall:

9 (i) Demonstrate that the actual time claimed by the dealer to
10 perform the consumer care was not reasonable; and

11 (ii) Pay the dealer a reasonable sum for the performance of the
12 consumer care.

13 (c) The burden of proof for any dispute under this subsection lies
14 with the warrantor.

15 **Sec. 23.** A dealer that replaces a warranty part shall be paid the
16 following by the warrantor that issued the warranty for such warranty
17 part:

18 (1) The actual wholesale cost paid by the dealer for the warranty
19 part;

20 (2) A handling charge equal to the lesser amount of:

21 (a) Thirty percent of the actual wholesale cost paid by the dealer
22 for the warranty part. If a part is sent to the dealer at no cost, the
23 warrantor shall pay to the dealer an amount equal to thirty percent of
24 the wholesale cost of the part; or

25 (b) Three hundred dollars; and

26 (3) The freight cost to ship to the warrantor the part that was
27 replaced, if the warrantor requests for such part to be shipped to the
28 warrantor.

29 **Sec. 24.** A warrantor may ship parts to the dealer so that such
30 dealer will be able to carry out factory campaign work. If such parts are
31 in excess of a dealer's requirements, the dealer may return the unused

1 parts to the warrantor for credit after completion of the factory
2 campaign.

3 **Sec. 25.** A dealer shall notify the warrantor as soon as reasonably
4 possible, verbally or in writing, if the dealer is unable or unwilling to
5 perform material or repetitive consumer care.

6 **Sec. 26.** (1) A warrantor may conduct a warranty audit of any dealer
7 that requests warranty compensation from the warrantor.

8 (2) A warrantor may conduct such warranty audits for any number of
9 such dealers, but not more often for each such dealer than three months
10 since the last warranty audit conducted by such warrantor.

11 **Sec. 27.** (1) A dealer shall submit a warranty compensation claim
12 within forty-five days after completing consumer care relating to the
13 compensation claim. Such claim shall be in the manner and form prescribed
14 by the warrantor.

15 (2) A request by a dealer for payment of warranty compensation shall
16 not be denied except for cause, including performance of nonwarranty
17 repairs, material noncompliance with the warrantor's published policies
18 and procedures, lack of material documentation, fraud, and
19 misrepresentation.

20 (3) A warrantor shall provide written notice to the dealer for any
21 warranty claim that the warrantor denies. Such written notice shall be
22 provided to the headquarters of the dealer within forty-five days after
23 the date of submission for payment of warranty compensation by the
24 dealer.

25 (4) Any claim that is not denied pursuant to subsection (3) of this
26 section shall be deemed to be approved and shall be paid within sixty
27 days after the date of submission for payment of warranty compensation by
28 the dealer.

29 **Sec. 28.** A warrantor shall not:

30 (1) Fail to perform any of its warranty obligations;

31 (2) Fail to include, in any written notice of a factory campaign

1 that is provided to any recreational vehicle owner or dealer, the
2 expected date when necessary parts and equipment, including tires,
3 chassis, and chassis parts, will be available to dealers to perform
4 factory campaign work;

5 (3) Fail to compensate a dealer for authorized consumer care that
6 was completed by the dealer relating to merchandise that was damaged:

7 (a) During the manufacturing process; or

8 (b) During transit to the dealer, if the carrier that provided
9 transit was designated by the warrantor, factory branch, distributor, or
10 distributor branch;

11 (4) Fail to compensate a dealer for authorized warranty service in
12 accordance with the time allowances set forth in the schedule of
13 compensation, if such warranty service was performed in a timely and
14 competent manner;

15 (5) Intentionally misrepresent in any way to any purchaser of a
16 recreational vehicle that any warranty with respect to the manufacture,
17 performance, or design of the recreational vehicle is made by the dealer
18 as a warrantor or co-warrantor; or

19 (6) Require the dealer to make any warranty to any customer in any
20 manner related to the manufacture of a recreational vehicle.

21 **Sec. 29.** A dealer shall not:

22 (1) Fail to perform predelivery inspection functions, as specified
23 by the warrantor, in a competent and timely manner;

24 (2) Fail to perform warranty service that is authorized by a
25 warrantor in a reasonably competent and timely manner on any transient
26 customer's recreational vehicle if such recreational vehicle is the same
27 line-make sold by the dealer. This subdivision does not apply if the
28 dealer determines that the transient customer is acting in a manner
29 detrimental to the dealer's business;

30 (3) Fail to track actual time expended to perform warranty service
31 that is not governed by time allowances in the schedule of compensation;

- 1 (4) Claim an agency relationship with a warrantor or a manufacturer;
2 or
3 (5) Misrepresent the terms of any warranty.

4 **Sec. 30.** (1)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (d) of this
5 subsection, a warrantor shall not fail to indemnify, defend, and hold
6 harmless a dealer that performed warranty service on behalf of such
7 warrantor against any loss or damage to the extent such loss or damage
8 was caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of such warrantor.

9 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (d) of this subsection, such
10 dealer shall not be denied indemnification by such warrantor or a defense
11 against such warrantor for failing to discover, disclose, or remedy a
12 defect in the design or manufacturing of a recreational vehicle.

13 (c) Such dealer shall provide to such warrantor a copy of the
14 complaint in any legal proceeding in which any allegation is made that
15 relates to warranty service described in this subsection. Such copy shall
16 be provided to the headquarters of such warrantor within ten calendar
17 days after such dealer receives such complaint.

18 (d) Subdivisions (a) and (b) of this subsection do not apply for a
19 legal proceeding if a dealer does not comply with subdivision (c) of this
20 subsection.

21 (2)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (c) of this subsection, a
22 dealer shall not fail to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless a warrantor
23 for which the dealer performed warranty service against any loss or
24 damage to the extent such loss or damage was caused by the negligence or
25 willful misconduct of such dealer.

26 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (c) of this subsection, such
27 warrantor shall provide to such dealer a copy of the complaint in any
28 legal proceeding in which any allegation is made that relates to warranty
29 service described in this subsection. Such copy shall be provided to the
30 headquarters of such dealer within ten calendar days after such warrantor
31 receives such complaint.

1 (c) Subdivision (a) of this subsection does not apply for a legal
2 proceeding if a warrantor does not comply with subdivision (b) of this
3 subsection.

4 (3) Indemnification under this section includes court costs,
5 reasonable attorney's fees, and expert witness fees.

6 **Sec. 31.** (1) If a new recreational vehicle is damaged prior to
7 transit to a dealer or is damaged in transit to a dealer and the carrier
8 or means of transportation was selected by the manufacturer or
9 distributor, the dealer shall notify the manufacturer or distributor of
10 the damage within the timeframe specified in the manufacturer-dealer
11 agreement and:

12 (a) Request authorization from the manufacturer or distributor to
13 replace or correct any component, part, or accessory that was damaged; or

14 (b) Not take delivery of the recreational vehicle.

15 (2) The ownership of a new recreational vehicle described in
16 subsection (1) of this section reverts to the manufacturer or distributor
17 if:

18 (a) A dealer requests authorization under subdivision (1)(a) of this
19 section and the manufacturer or distributor refuses or fails to make such
20 authorization within ten business days after receiving the notification
21 described in subsection (1) of this section; or

22 (b) The dealer does not take delivery of the recreational vehicle.

23 (3) A dealer that takes custody of a recreational vehicle described
24 in subsection (1) of this section shall exercise due care with such
25 recreational vehicle, but such dealer shall have no other obligations,
26 financial or otherwise, with respect to such recreational vehicle.

27 (4)(a) For purposes of this subsection, unreasonable amount of miles
28 means any amount determined by the dealer that is not less than the sum
29 of:

30 (i) For recreational vehicles delivered from a manufacturer, one
31 hundred miles plus the shortest distance over paved roads beginning at

1 the location where the recreational vehicle was manufactured and ending
2 at the dealership location; or

3 (ii) For recreational vehicles delivered from a distributor, one
4 hundred miles plus the shortest distance over paved roads beginning from
5 the location where the recreational vehicle was manufactured, through the
6 location of the distributor, and ending at the dealership location.

7 (b) A dealer may choose to not take delivery of any new recreational
8 vehicle if the odometer for such recreational vehicle indicates an
9 unreasonable amount of miles. The ownership of such recreational vehicle
10 shall revert to the manufacturer or distributor.

11 **Sec. 32.** (1) For purposes of this section, coerce includes, but is
12 not limited to:

13 (a) Threatening to initiate a termination action or not renew a
14 manufacturer-dealer agreement without good cause;

15 (b) Threatening to withhold any product as an inducement to amending
16 the manufacturer-dealer agreement; and

17 (c) Delaying the delivery of any product as an inducement to
18 amending the manufacturer-dealer agreement.

19 (2) A manufacturer or distributor shall not coerce or attempt to
20 coerce any dealer to:

21 (a) Purchase any product that the dealer did not order;

22 (b) Enter into any agreement with the manufacturer or distributor;

23 (c) Take any action that is unfair or unreasonable to the dealer;

24 (d) Enter into any agreement that requires the dealer to submit to
25 binding arbitration or otherwise waive any right or responsibility
26 provided under the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act; or

27 (e) Forego exercising a right authorized by a manufacturer-dealer
28 agreement or any law governing the manufacturer, distributor, or dealer.

29 (3) The dealer bears the burden of proof regarding any coercive
30 action by a manufacturer or distributor that is prohibited under this
31 section.

1 **Sec. 33.** (1)(a) A dealer, manufacturer, distributor, or warrantor
2 that is injured by a violation of the Recreational Vehicle Industry
3 Regulation Act may bring a civil action to recover actual damages.

4 (b) Venue for any civil action under this section shall be brought:

5 (i) If only one dealer is a party to the civil action, in the
6 district court of the county where the dealership is located;

7 (ii) If more than one dealer is a party to the civil action, in the
8 district court of any county where a dealer that is a party to the action
9 is located; or

10 (iii) If no party to the civil action is a dealer, in any district
11 court with relevant jurisdiction.

12 (c) The court shall award attorney's fees and costs to the
13 prevailing party in such action.

14 (2)(a) Before bringing a civil action under this section, the party
15 that is bringing the civil action for an alleged violation shall serve a
16 written demand for mediation upon the offending party.

17 (b) The demand for mediation shall be served upon the offending
18 party via certified mail at the address:

19 (i) Stated within the manufacturer-dealer agreement between the
20 parties;

21 (ii) If there is no manufacturer-dealer agreement between the
22 parties or if the address described in subdivision (b)(i) of this
23 subsection does not exist or is no longer valid, the address specified by
24 the offending party in such party's license application under the
25 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.

26 (c) The demand for mediation shall contain a brief statement of the
27 dispute and the relief sought by the party serving the demand.

28 (d) Within twenty days after the date a demand for mediation is
29 served upon the offending party, the parties shall mutually select an
30 independent mediator and meet with the mediator for the purpose of
31 attempting to resolve the dispute. The meeting place shall be in this

1 state in a location selected by the mediator. The mediator may extend the
2 date of the mediation for good cause shown by either party or upon
3 stipulation of both parties.

4 (e) The service of a demand for mediation under this subsection
5 stays any statute of limitations or statute of repose for the filing of
6 any complaint, petition, protest, or action under the Recreational
7 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act until representatives of all parties have
8 met with a mutually selected mediator for the purpose of attempting to
9 mediate the dispute. If a complaint, petition, protest, or action is
10 filed before such mediation, the court shall enter an order suspending
11 the proceeding or action until the mediation has occurred and may, upon
12 written stipulation of all parties to the proceeding or action that the
13 parties wish to continue to mediate under this subsection, enter an order
14 suspending the proceeding or action until a date that the court considers
15 appropriate. A suspension order issued under this subdivision may be
16 revoked by the court.

17 (f) The parties to the mediation shall bear their own costs for
18 attorney's fees and divide equally the cost of the mediator.

19 **Sec. 34.** (1)(a) A dealer, manufacturer, distributor, or warrantor
20 may bring a civil action in district court to seek injunctive relief
21 relating to a violation or a potential violation of the Recreational
22 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act or a manufacturer-dealer agreement.

23 (b) Venue for any civil action under this section shall be brought:

24 (i) If only one dealer is a party to the civil action, in the
25 district court of the county where the dealership is located;

26 (ii) If more than one dealer is a party to the civil action, in the
27 district court of any county where a dealer that is a party to the action
28 is located; or

29 (iii) If no party to the civil action is a dealer, in any district
30 court with relevant jurisdiction.

31 (2) After a hearing and if cause has been shown, the court may issue

1 a temporary or permanent injunction, or both, that restrains any person
2 from violating the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act or a
3 manufacturer-dealer agreement.

4 (3) Such injunction shall be issued without bond.

5 (4) A single act in violation of the Recreational Vehicle Industry
6 Regulation Act is sufficient to authorize the issuance of an injunction
7 under this section.

8 **Sec. 35.** (1) The board may suspend or revoke the license of any
9 licensee under the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act upon a
10 finding that any such licensee has violated the Recreational Vehicle
11 Industry Regulation Act.

12 (2) The board may impose and collect a civil penalty against any
13 licensee if the board finds that such licensee has violated the
14 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act. Such civil penalty shall
15 not exceed one thousand dollars for each violation of the Recreational
16 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act. All civil penalties collected by the
17 board shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for distribution in
18 accordance with Article VII, section 5, of the Constitution of Nebraska.

19 (3) Any suspension, revocation, or imposition under this section may
20 be appealed by the licensee. The appeal shall be in accordance with the
21 Administrative Procedure Act.

22 **Sec. 36.** Section 18-1736, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
23 amended to read:

24 18-1736 (1) A city or village may designate parking spaces,
25 including access aisles, for the exclusive use of (a) handicapped or
26 disabled persons whose motor vehicles display the distinguishing license
27 plates issued to handicapped or disabled persons pursuant to the Motor
28 Vehicle Registration Act section ~~60-3,113~~, (b) handicapped or disabled
29 persons whose motor vehicles display a distinguishing license plate
30 issued to a handicapped or disabled person by another state, (c) such
31 other handicapped or disabled persons or temporarily handicapped or

1 disabled persons whose motor vehicles display a handicapped or disabled
2 parking permit, and (d) such other motor vehicles which display a
3 handicapped or disabled parking permit.

4 (2) If a city or village so designates a parking space or access
5 aisle, it shall be indicated by posting aboveground and immediately
6 adjacent to and visible from each space or access aisle a sign as
7 described in section 18-1737. In addition to such sign, the space or
8 access aisle may also be indicated by blue paint on the curb or edge of
9 the paved portion of the street adjacent to the space or access aisle.

10 (3) For purposes of sections 18-1736 to 18-1741.07:

11 (a) Access aisle has the same meaning as in section 60-302.01;

12 (b) Handicapped or disabled parking permit has the same meaning as
13 in section 60-331.01;

14 (c) Handicapped or disabled person has the same meaning as in
15 section 60-331.02; and

16 (d) Temporarily handicapped or disabled person has the same meaning
17 as in section 60-352.01.

18 **Sec. 37.** Section 28-306, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
19 amended to read:

20 28-306 (1) A person who causes the death of another unintentionally
21 while engaged in the operation of a motor vehicle in violation of the law
22 of the State of Nebraska or in violation of any city or village ordinance
23 commits motor vehicle homicide.

24 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, motor
25 vehicle homicide is a Class I misdemeanor.

26 (3)(a) If the proximate cause of the death of another is the
27 operation of a motor vehicle in violation of section 60-6,213 or
28 60-6,214, motor vehicle homicide is a Class IIIA felony.

29 (b) If the proximate cause of the death of another is the operation
30 of a motor vehicle in violation of section 60-6,196 or 60-6,197.06, motor
31 vehicle homicide is a Class IIA felony.

1 (c) If the proximate cause of the death of another is the operation
2 of a motor vehicle in violation of section 60-6,196 or 60-6,197.06, motor
3 vehicle homicide is a Class II felony if the defendant has a prior
4 conviction for a violation of section 60-6,196 or 60-6,197.06, under a
5 city or village ordinance enacted in conformance with section 60-6,196,
6 or under a law of another state if, at the time of the conviction under
7 the law of such other state, the offense for which the defendant was
8 convicted would have been a violation of section 60-6,196.

9 (4)(a) For a conviction under subsection (2) or subdivision (3)(a)
10 of this section, the court may, as part of the judgment of conviction,
11 order the person not to drive any motor vehicle for any purpose for a
12 period of up to two years and order that the operator's license of such
13 person be revoked ~~suspended~~ for the same period.

14 (b) For a conviction under subdivision (3)(b) or (c) of this
15 section, the court shall, as part of the judgment of conviction, order
16 the person not to drive any motor vehicle for any purpose for a period of
17 fifteen years and shall order that the operator's license of such person
18 be revoked for the same period.

19 (5) An order of the court described in this section shall be
20 administered upon sentencing, upon final judgment of any appeal or
21 review, or upon the date that any probation is revoked.

22 (6) The crime punishable under this section shall be treated as a
23 separate and distinct offense from any other offense arising out of acts
24 alleged to have been committed while the person was in violation of this
25 section.

26 **Sec. 38.** Section 37-1278.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
27 is amended to read:

28 37-1278.01 (1) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall issue a bonded
29 certificate of title to an applicant who:

30 (a) Presents evidence reasonably sufficient to satisfy the
31 department of the applicant's ownership of the motorboat or security

1 interest in the motorboat;

2 (b) Pays a fee of fifty dollars for motorboats manufactured on or
3 after January 1, 1990, and twenty dollars for motorboats manufactured
4 prior to January 1, 1990; ~~and~~

5 (c) Files a bond in a form prescribed by the department and executed
6 by the applicant; and -

7 (d) Provides proof that written notice as prescribed in subsection
8 (6) of this section has been provided to each party with a secured
9 interest in the motorboat.

10 (2) The bond shall be issued by a surety company authorized to
11 transact business in this state, in an amount equal to one and one-half
12 times the value of the motorboat as determined by the department using
13 reasonable appraisal methods, and conditioned to indemnify any prior
14 owner and secured party, any subsequent purchaser and secured party, and
15 any successor of the purchaser and secured party for any expense, loss,
16 or damage, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by reason of
17 the issuance of the certificate of title to the motorboat or any defect
18 in or undisclosed security interest upon the right, title, and interest
19 of the applicant in and to the motorboat. An interested person may have a
20 cause of action to recover on the bond for a breach of the conditions of
21 the bond. The aggregate liability of the surety to all persons having a
22 claim shall not exceed the amount of the bond.

23 (3) At the end of three years after the issuance of the bond, the
24 holder of the certificate of title may apply to the department on a form
25 prescribed by the department for the release of the bond and the removal
26 of the notice required by subsection (4) of this section if no claim has
27 been made on the bond. The department may release the bond at the end of
28 three years after the issuance of the bond if all questions as to the
29 ownership of the motorboat have been answered to the satisfaction of the
30 department unless the department has been notified of the pendency of an
31 action to recover on the bond. If the currently valid certificate of

1 title is surrendered to the department, the department may release the
2 bond prior to the end of the three-year period.

3 (4) The department shall include the following statement on a bonded
4 certificate of title issued pursuant to this section and any subsequent
5 title issued as a result of a title transfer while the bond is in effect:

6 NOTICE: THIS MOTORBOAT MAY BE SUBJECT TO AN UNDISCLOSED INTEREST,
7 BOND NUMBER

8 (5) The department shall recall a bonded certificate of title if the
9 department finds that the application for the title contained a false
10 statement or if a check presented by the applicant for fees pursuant to
11 this section is returned uncollected by a financial institution.

12 (6)(a) Any applicant for a bonded certificate of title shall provide
13 written notice to any party with a secured interest in the motorboat that
14 is the subject of the application. Such written notice shall be provided
15 to the last-known address of each such party through certified mail with
16 return receipt requested and shall include a notice that the security
17 interest will be discharged if the party fails to respond within thirty
18 days after receiving the notice. If the lienholder responds, the response
19 shall be presented to the department along with the written notice and
20 certified mail receipt.

21 (b) Issuance of a bonded certificate of title shall extinguish any
22 lien or security interest regarding a motorboat for which the notice in
23 subdivision (a) of this subsection was provided if the lienholder does
24 not respond to such notice within thirty days after receiving the notice.

25 ~~(7)~~ (6) The department shall remit fees collected pursuant to this
26 section to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor
27 Vehicles Cash Fund.

28 **Sec. 39.** Section 60-301, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
29 amended to read:

30 60-301 Sections 60-301 to 60-3,236 and section 41 of this act shall
31 be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Registration Act.

1 **Sec. 40.** Section 60-302, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
2 amended to read:

3 60-302 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, unless
4 the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections
5 60-302.01 to 60-360 and section 41 of this act shall be used.

6 **Sec. 41.** In Transit means a placard or sticker that authorizes a
7 motor vehicle or trailer that is not registered under the Motor Vehicle
8 Registration Act to be legally operated on highways.

9 **Sec. 42.** Section 60-362, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
10 amended to read:

11 60-362 (1) Unless otherwise expressly provided, no motor vehicle
12 shall be operated or parked and no trailer shall be towed or parked on
13 the highways of this state unless the motor vehicle or trailer is
14 registered in accordance with the Motor Vehicle Registration Act. There
15 shall be a rebuttable presumption that any motor vehicle or trailer
16 stored and kept more than thirty days in the state is being operated,
17 parked, or towed on the highways of this state, and such motor vehicle or
18 trailer shall be registered in accordance with the act, from the date of
19 title of the motor vehicle or trailer or, if no transfer in ownership of
20 the motor vehicle or trailer has occurred, from the expiration of the
21 last registration period for which the motor vehicle or trailer was
22 registered. No motor vehicle or trailer shall be eligible for initial
23 registration in this state, except a motor vehicle or trailer registered
24 or eligible to be registered as part of a fleet of apportionable vehicles
25 under section 60-3,198, unless the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act
26 has been complied with insofar as the motor vehicle or trailer is
27 concerned.

28 (2) The Department of Motor Vehicles or the Department of Revenue
29 may make a determination that a resident owner of a motor vehicle or
30 trailer is avoiding any motor vehicle tax, motor vehicle fee,
31 registration fee, or sales or use tax. Such determination may be made

1 based on any of the following factors:

2 (a) The resident owner does not own property in another state where
3 the motor vehicle or trailer has been registered;

4 (b) The resident owner does not maintain a physical location in
5 another state where the motor vehicle or trailer has been registered; or

6 (c) The resident owner has not filed a state income tax return in
7 another state where the motor vehicle or trailer has been registered.

8 (3) The Department of Motor Vehicles or the Department of Revenue
9 may make a determination that a motor vehicle or trailer has been kept
10 for more than thirty days in this state and has situs in this state. Such
11 determination may be made based on any of the following factors:

12 (a) A Nebraska resident was the initial purchaser of the motor
13 vehicle or trailer;

14 (b) A Nebraska resident operated or stored the motor vehicle or
15 trailer in this state for any period of time;

16 (c) A Nebraska resident is a member, partner, or shareholder of or
17 is otherwise affiliated with a limited liability company, partnership,
18 corporation, or other business entity that is purported to own the motor
19 vehicle or trailer;

20 (d) A Nebraska resident is covered under an insurance policy for the
21 motor vehicle or trailer; or

22 (e) Any evidence that the motor vehicle or trailer has been kept for
23 more than thirty days in this state and has situs in this state.

24 (4) If the Department of Motor Vehicles or the Department of Revenue
25 makes the determinations described in subsections (2) and (3) of this
26 section, there is a rebuttable presumption that:

27 (a) The Nebraska resident is the actual owner of the motor vehicle
28 or trailer;

29 (b) The Nebraska resident is required to register the motor vehicle
30 or trailer in this state and is liable for all motor vehicle taxes, motor
31 vehicle fees, and registration fees that are required under the Motor

1 Vehicle Registration Act; and

2 (c) The purchase of the motor vehicle or trailer is subject to sales
3 or use tax under section 77-2703.

4 (5) If determinations are made under subsections (2) and (3) of this
5 section, the Department of Motor Vehicles or the Department of Revenue
6 shall notify the Nebraska resident who is presumed to be the owner of the
7 motor vehicle or trailer that such resident is required to register the
8 motor vehicle or trailer in this state, pay any applicable taxes and fees
9 for proper registration of the motor vehicle and trailer under the Motor
10 Vehicle Registration Act, and pay any applicable sales or use tax due on
11 the purchase under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 no later than thirty
12 days after the notice is delivered to such resident.

13 (6) If the Department of Motor Vehicles makes the determinations
14 under subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the Nebraska resident who
15 is presumed to be the owner of the motor vehicle or trailer may accept
16 such determinations and pay the taxes and fees provided in the notice, or
17 he or she may dispute the determinations and appeal the matter. Such
18 appeal shall be filed with the Director of Motor Vehicles within thirty
19 days after the notice was delivered to the resident or the determinations
20 will be final. The director shall appoint a hearing officer who shall
21 hear the appeal and issue a written decision. Such appeal shall be in
22 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. Following the final
23 determination of the appeal in favor of the Department of Motor Vehicles
24 or if no further appeal is filed, the resident shall owe the taxes and
25 fees determined to be due, together with any reasonable costs for the
26 appeal assessed against the owner.

27 (7) If the Department of Revenue makes the determinations under
28 subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the Nebraska resident who is
29 presumed to be the owner of the motor vehicle or trailer may appeal the
30 determination made by the Department of Revenue, and such appeal shall be
31 in accordance with section 77-2709.

1 (8) If the Nebraska resident who is presumed to be the owner of the
2 motor vehicle or trailer does not pay the motor vehicle taxes, motor
3 vehicle fees, registration fees, or sales or use tax required to be paid
4 under this section, such resident shall be assessed a late fee of fifty
5 percent of the unpaid taxes and fees. Such late fee shall be remitted to
6 the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

7 (9) In addition to any penalty that is provided under this section,
8 a violation of this section is subject to the penalty provided under
9 sections 60-3,164 and 60-3,170.

10 **Sec. 43.** Section 60-376, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
11 amended to read:

12 60-376 (1) Subject to all the provisions of law relating to motor
13 vehicles and trailers not inconsistent with this section, any motor
14 vehicle dealer or trailer dealer who is regularly engaged within this
15 state in the business of buying and selling motor vehicles and trailers,
16 who regularly maintains within this state an established place of
17 business, and who desires to effect delivery of any motor vehicle or
18 trailer bought or sold by such dealer ~~him or her~~ from the point where
19 purchased or sold to points within or outside this state may, solely for
20 the purpose of such delivery by such dealer ~~himself or herself~~, such
21 dealer's ~~his or her~~ agent, or a bona fide purchaser, operate such motor
22 vehicle or tow such trailer on the highways of this state without charge
23 or registration of such motor vehicle or trailer. ~~A sticker shall be~~
24 ~~displayed on the front and rear windows or the rear side windows of such~~
25 ~~motor vehicle, except an autocycle or a motorcycle, and displayed on the~~
26 ~~front and rear of each such trailer.~~

27 (2) Prior to January 1, 2029, an In Transit shall be displayed as
28 follows on a motor vehicle described in subsection (1) of this section,
29 other than an autocycle or a motorcycle:

30 (a)(i) On the front of the motor vehicle or on the front window of
31 the motor vehicle; and

1 (ii) On the rear of the motor vehicle or on the rear window of the
2 motor vehicle; or

3 (b) On the rear side windows of the motor vehicle.

4 (3) Beginning on January 1, 2029, an In Transit shall be displayed
5 on the rear window, a rear side window, or the rear of a motor vehicle
6 described in subsection (1) of this section.

7 (4) For a trailer described in subsection (1) of this section, an In
8 Transit shall be displayed on the rear of the trailer.

9 (5)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this subsection, on
10 ~~On~~ the In Transit sticker shall be plainly printed in black letters the
11 words "In Transit" In Transit.

12 ~~(b) For One In Transit sticker shall be displayed on an autocycle or~~
13 a motorcycle, the In Transit which sticker may be one-half the size
14 required for other motor vehicles.

15 (c) An In Transit Such stickers shall include a registration number
16 that is , which registration number shall be different for each motor
17 vehicle or trailer for which an In Transit is sticker or pair of stickers
18 issued. The , and the contents of such sticker and the numbering system
19 of the In Transit shall be as prescribed by the department.

20 (6) Each dealer issuing an In Transit such stickers shall keep a
21 record of the registration number of the In Transit each sticker or pair
22 of stickers on the invoice for the of such sale.

23 (7)(a) An In Transit Such sticker shall allow the operation of such
24 owner to operate the motor vehicle or the towing of the tow such trailer
25 for a period of thirty days in order to effect proper registration of the
26 new or used motor vehicle or trailer.

27 (b) When any person, firm, or corporation has had a motor vehicle or
28 trailer previously registered and license plates assigned to such person,
29 firm, or corporation, such owner may operate the motor vehicle may be
30 operated or tow such trailer may be towed for a period of thirty days in
31 order to effect the transfer of license plates to the new or used motor

1 vehicle or trailer.

2 (c) Upon demand of proper authorities, there shall be presented by
3 the person in charge of such motor vehicle or trailer, for examination, a
4 duly executed bill of sale therefor or other satisfactory evidence of the
5 right of possession by such person of such motor vehicle or trailer.

6 **Sec. 44.** Section 60-378, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
7 amended to read:

8 60-378 (1) Any transporter that is registered with the Secretary of
9 State and authorized to transact business ~~doing business~~ in this state
10 may, in lieu of registering each motor vehicle or trailer which such
11 transporter is transporting, upon payment of a fee of ten dollars, apply
12 to the department for a transporter's certificate and one transporter
13 license plate. Additional pairs of transporter certificates and
14 transporter license plates may be procured for a fee of ten dollars each.

15 (2) Transporter license plates shall be displayed upon:

16 (a) The ~~upon the~~ motor vehicle or trailer being transported; or

17 (b) A ~~upon a~~ properly registered truck or truck-tractor that ~~which~~
18 is a work or service vehicle in the process of towing a trailer that
19 ~~which~~ is itself being delivered by the transporter, ~~and such registered~~
20 ~~truck or truck tractor shall also display a transporter plate upon the~~
21 ~~front thereof.~~

22 (3) The applicant for a transporter license plate shall keep for
23 three years a record of each motor vehicle or trailer transported by the
24 applicant ~~him or her~~ under this section. Such ~~and such~~ record shall be
25 available to the department for inspection.

26 (4) Each applicant shall file with the department proof of his or
27 her status as a bona fide transporter.

28 (5) ~~(2)~~ Transporter license plates:

29 (a) May ~~may~~ be the same size as license plates issued for
30 motorcycles other than autocycles;

31 (b) Shall ~~shall~~ bear thereon a mark to distinguish them as

1 transporter license plates; ~~7~~ and

2 (c) Shall ~~shall~~ be serially numbered so as to distinguish them from
3 each other.

4 (6) Transporter Such license plates shall ~~may~~ only be displayed upon
5 the:

6 (a) Front ~~front~~ of a driven motor vehicle of a lawful combination;

7 (b) Front ~~or upon the front~~ of a motor vehicle driven singly; ~~or~~

8 (c) Rear ~~upon the rear~~ of a trailer being towed; ~~or~~

9 (d) Front of a registered truck or truck-tractor that is described
10 in subdivision (2)(b) of this section.

11 **Sec. 45.** Section 60-386, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
12 amended to read:

13 60-386 (1) Each ~~new~~ application shall contain, in addition to other
14 information as may be required by the department:

15 (a) The ~~7~~ the name and residential and mailing address of the
16 applicant;

17 (b)(i) The full legal name as defined in section 60-468.01 of each
18 owner; or

19 (ii) The name of each owner as such name appears on the owner's
20 motor vehicle operator's license or state identification card;

21 (c)(i) The motor vehicle operator's license number or state
22 identification card number of each owner, if applicable, and one or more
23 of the identification elements as listed in section 60-484 of each owner,
24 if applicable; and

25 (ii) If any owner is a business entity, a nonprofit organization, an
26 estate, a trust, or a church-controlled organization, its tax
27 identification number;

28 (d) A ~~and~~ a description of the motor vehicle or trailer, including
29 the color, the manufacturer, the identification number, the United States
30 Department of Transportation number if required by 49 C.F.R. 390.5
31 through 390.21, as such regulations existed on the date specified in

1 section 60-201, and the weight of the motor vehicle or trailer required
2 by the Motor Vehicle Registration Act; and -

3 (e) For trailers that are not required to have a certificate of
4 title under section 60-137, one of the following documents:

5 (i) If a properly assigned certificate of title indicating a
6 transfer of ownership exists for such trailer, such certificate of title;

7 (ii) If subdivision (1)(e)(i) of this section does not apply to such
8 trailer and such trailer was purchased by the applicant within the
9 thirty-day period that precedes the date of the application, the most
10 recently issued certificate of registration and bill of sale for such
11 trailer. A copy of the most recently issued certificate of registration
12 may be accepted in lieu of the original certificate of registration. If
13 the most recently issued certificate of registration is not available, a
14 county treasurer's office may verify via the Vehicle Title and
15 Registration System that the seller of the trailer that was specified on
16 such bill of sale was the last owner of record;

17 (iii) If subdivisions (1)(e)(i) and (ii) of this section do not
18 apply to such trailer and such trailer was not previously registered
19 under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the bill of sale for such
20 trailer; or

21 (iv) If subdivisions (1)(e)(i), (ii), and (iii) of this section do
22 not apply to such trailer:

23 (A) A manufacturer's statement of origin that includes a description
24 of such trailer and all required ownership details that are adopted and
25 promulgated in rules and regulations by the department. Such
26 manufacturer's statement of origin may be issued directly to the
27 applicant;

28 (B) A valid military registration document for such trailer that was
29 issued by the United States Government;

30 (C) An SF 97-1 Form, Certificate to Obtain Title, for such trailer
31 that was issued by the United States Government; or

1 (D) A completed and notarized untitled trailer affidavit that
2 affirms ownership.

3 (2) For trailers that which are not required to have a certificate
4 of title under section 60-137 and that which have no identification
5 number, the assignment of an identification number shall be required and
6 the identification number shall be issued by the county treasurer or
7 department.

8 (3) With the application the applicant shall:

9 (a) Pay pay the proper registration fee; and

10 (b) State shall state whether the motor vehicle is propelled by
11 alternative fuel and, if alternative fuel, the type of fuel.

12 (4) The application shall also contain a notification that bulk fuel
13 purchasers may be subject to federal excise tax liability. The department
14 shall include such notification in the notices required by section
15 60-3,186.

16 ~~(2) In addition to the information required under subsection (1) of~~
17 ~~this section, the application for registration shall contain~~

18 ~~(a)(i) the full legal name as defined in section 60-468.01 of each~~
19 ~~owner or~~

20 ~~(ii) the name of each owner as such name appears on the owner's~~
21 ~~motor vehicle operator's license or state identification card and~~

22 ~~(b)(i) the motor vehicle operator's license number or state~~
23 ~~identification card number of each owner, if applicable, and one or more~~
24 ~~of the identification elements as listed in section 60-484 of each owner,~~
25 ~~if applicable, and~~

26 ~~(ii) if any owner is a business entity, a nonprofit organization, an~~
27 ~~estate, a trust, or a church-controlled organization, its tax~~
28 ~~identification number.~~

29 **Sec. 46.** Section 60-3,100, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
30 amended to read:

31 60-3,100 (1) The department shall issue to every person whose motor

1 vehicle or trailer is registered one or two fully reflectorized license
2 plates upon which shall be displayed (a) the registration number
3 consisting of letters and numerals assigned to such motor vehicle or
4 trailer in figures not less than two and one-half inches nor more than
5 three inches in height and (b) also the word Nebraska suitably lettered
6 so as to be attractive. The license plates shall be of a color designated
7 by the director. The color of the plates shall be changed each time the
8 license plates are changed. Each time the license plates are changed, the
9 director shall secure competitive bids for materials pursuant to the
10 State Procurement Act. Autocycle, motorcycle, minitruck, low-speed
11 vehicle, and trailer license plate letters and numerals may be one-half
12 the size of those required in this section.

13 (2)(a) This subsection applies on and before December 31, 2028.

14 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, two license
15 plates shall be issued for every motor vehicle.

16 (c) One license plate shall be issued for (i) apportionable
17 vehicles, (ii) buses, (iii) dealers, (iv) minitrucks, (v) motorcycles,
18 other than autocycles, (vi) special interest motor vehicles that use the
19 special interest motor vehicle license plate authorized by and issued
20 under section 60-3,135.01, (vii) trailers, and (viii) truck-tractors.

21 (d)(i) One license plate shall be issued, upon request and
22 compliance with this subdivision, for any passenger car which is not
23 manufactured to be equipped with a bracket on the front of the vehicle to
24 display a license plate. A license decal shall be issued with the license
25 plate as provided in subdivision (ii) of this subdivision and shall be
26 displayed on the driver's side of the windshield. In order to request a
27 single license plate and license decal, there shall be an additional
28 annual nonrefundable registration fee of fifty dollars plus the cost of
29 the decal paid to the county treasurer at the time of registration. All
30 fees collected under this subdivision shall be remitted to the State
31 Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

1 (ii) The department shall design, procure, and furnish to the county
2 treasurers a license decal which shall be displayed as evidence that a
3 license plate has been obtained under this subdivision. Each county
4 treasurer shall furnish a license decal to the person obtaining the
5 plate.

6 (e)(i) ~~(e)~~ When two license plates are issued, one shall be
7 prominently displayed at all times on the front and one on the rear of
8 the registered motor vehicle or trailer.

9 (ii) When only one plate is issued, it shall be prominently
10 displayed on the rear of the registered motor vehicle or trailer.

11 (iii) When only one plate is issued for motor vehicles registered
12 pursuant to section 60-3,198 and truck-tractors, it shall be prominently
13 displayed on the front of the motor ~~apportionable~~ vehicle.

14 (3)(a) This subsection applies on and after January 1, 2029.

15 (b) One license plate shall be issued for every registered motor
16 vehicle or trailer.

17 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the license
18 plate for a registered motor vehicle or trailer shall be prominently
19 displayed on the rear of the registered motor vehicle or trailer.

20 (d) When a license plate is issued for motor vehicles registered
21 pursuant to section 60-3,198 and truck-tractors, such license plate shall
22 be prominently displayed on the front of the apportionable vehicle or
23 truck-tractor.

24 (4)(a) The director shall designate an implementation date for this
25 subsection that is on or before January 1, 2029. Beginning on such
26 implementation date, the department may deliver any license plate or
27 registration certificate to the applicant or to the county treasurer of
28 the county in which the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is
29 registered by United States mail or through an alternative shipping
30 service. The delivery of such license plate or registration certificate
31 shall be made through a secure process.

1 (b) If delivery of any license plate or registration certificate is
2 made by the department to the applicant, the department may charge a
3 postage and handling fee in an amount not more than necessary to recover
4 the cost of postage and handling for the specific items mailed to the
5 applicant. The department shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer for
6 credit to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

7 (5) Any person who presents proof of registration shall be permitted
8 to operate the registered motor vehicle or tow the registered trailer for
9 a period of thirty days without a mailed license plate displayed.

10 **Sec. 47.** Section 60-3,104, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
11 amended to read:

12 60-3,104 The department shall issue the following types of license
13 plates:

14 (1) Alternate license plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,163,
15 60-3,163.01, and 60-3,163.02;

16 (2) Amateur radio station license plates issued pursuant to section
17 60-3,126;

18 (3) Apportionable vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section
19 60-3,203;

20 (4) Autocycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;

21 (5) Boat dealer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-379;

22 (6) Bus license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,144;

23 (7) Commercial motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
24 section 60-3,147;

25 (8) Dealer or manufacturer license plates issued pursuant to
26 sections 60-3,114 and 60-3,115;

27 (9) Disabled veteran license plates issued pursuant to section
28 60-3,124;

29 (10) Farm truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;

30 (11) Farm trucks with a gross weight of over sixteen tons license
31 plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;

1 (12) Former military vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
2 section 60-3,236;

3 (13) Gold Star Family license plates issued pursuant to sections
4 60-3,122.01 and 60-3,122.02;

5 (14) Handicapped or disabled person license plates issued pursuant
6 to section 60-3,113;

7 (15) Historical vehicle license plates issued pursuant to sections
8 60-3,130 to 60-3,134;

9 (16) Local truck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,145;

10 (17) Metropolitan utilities district license plates issued pursuant
11 to section 60-3,228;

12 (18) Military Honor Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,122.03
13 and 60-3,122.04;

14 (19) Minitruck license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;

15 (20) Motor vehicle license plates for motor vehicles owned or
16 operated by the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts
17 issued pursuant to section 60-3,105;

18 (21) Motor vehicles exempt pursuant to section 60-3,107;

19 (22) Motorcycle license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;

20 (23) Nonresident owner thirty-day license plates issued pursuant to
21 section 60-382;

22 (24) Organizational license plates issued pursuant to sections
23 60-3,104.01 and 60-3,104.02;

24 (25) Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less
25 and not used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than
26 autocycles;

27 (26) Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or less
28 and used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than
29 autocycles;

30 (27) Pearl Harbor license plates issued pursuant to section
31 60-3,122;

1 (28) Personal-use dealer license plates issued pursuant to section
2 60-3,116;

3 (29) Personalized message license plates for motor vehicles,
4 trailers, and semitrailers, except motor vehicles, trailers, and
5 semitrailers registered under section 60-3,198, issued pursuant to
6 sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121;

7 (30) Prisoner-of-war license plates issued pursuant to section
8 60-3,123;

9 (31) Public power district license plates issued pursuant to section
10 60-3,228;

11 (32) Purple Heart license plates issued pursuant to section
12 60-3,125;

13 (33) Recreational vehicle license plates issued pursuant to section
14 60-3,151;

15 (34) Repossession license plates issued pursuant to section 60-375;

16 (35) Special interest motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant
17 to section 60-3,135.01 for applications for such license plates that were
18 received by the department on or before December 31, 2028;

19 (36) Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or operated by
20 the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts issued pursuant
21 to section 60-3,106;

22 (37) Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or operated by
23 a metropolitan utilities district or public power district pursuant to
24 section 60-3,228;

25 (38) Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100;

26 (39) Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;

27 (40) Trailers exempt pursuant to section 60-3,108;

28 (41) Transporter license plates issued pursuant to section 60-378;

29 (42) Trucks or combinations of trucks, truck-tractors, or trailers
30 that are not for hire and engaged in soil and water conservation work and
31 used for the purpose of transporting pipe and equipment exclusively used

1 by such contractors for soil and water conservation construction license
2 plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,149; and

3 (43) Well-boring apparatus and well-servicing equipment license
4 plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,109.

5 **Sec. 48.** Section 60-3,135.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
6 Supplement, 2024, is amended to read:

7 60-3,135.01 (1)(a) ~~(1)~~ The department shall either modify an
8 existing plate design or design license plates to identify special
9 interest motor vehicles, to be known as special interest motor vehicle
10 license plates. The department, in designing such special interest motor
11 vehicle license plates, shall include the words special interest and
12 limit the manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or
13 equal to the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section
14 60-3,102. The department shall choose the design of the plate.

15 (b) The department shall make applications available for this type
16 of plate until December 31, 2028 ~~when it is designed.~~

17 (c) The department shall not accept applications for special
18 interest motor vehicle license plates on or after January 1, 2029.

19 (d) Special interest motor vehicle license plates shall not be
20 renewed after December 31, 2028.

21 (2) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall
22 be alphanumeric plates. The department shall:

23 (a) Assign a designation up to seven characters; and

24 (b) Not use a county designation.

25 (3) One type of special interest motor vehicle license plate shall
26 be personalized message plates. Such plates shall be issued subject to
27 the same conditions specified for personalized message license plates in
28 section 60-3,118.

29 (4) A person may apply to the department for a special interest
30 motor vehicle license plate in lieu of regular license plates on an
31 application prescribed and provided by the department for any special

1 interest motor vehicle, except that no motor vehicle registered under
2 section 60-3,198, autocycle, motorcycle, or trailer shall be eligible for
3 special interest motor vehicle license plates. The department shall make
4 forms available for such applications through the county treasurers.

5 (5) The form shall contain a description of the special interest
6 motor vehicle owned and sought to be registered, including the make, body
7 type, model, serial number, and year of manufacture.

8 (6)(a) In addition to all other fees required to register a motor
9 vehicle, each application for initial issuance or renewal of a special
10 interest motor vehicle license plate shall be accompanied by a special
11 interest motor vehicle license plate fee of fifty dollars. Twenty-five
12 dollars of the special interest motor vehicle license plate fee shall be
13 remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor
14 Vehicles Cash Fund, and twenty-five dollars of the special interest motor
15 vehicle license plate fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for
16 credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

17 (b) Prior to January 1, 2029, if ~~If~~ a special interest motor vehicle
18 license plate is lost, stolen, or mutilated, the owner shall be issued a
19 replacement license plate pursuant to section 60-3,157.

20 (7) When the department receives an application for a special
21 interest motor vehicle license plate, the department may deliver the
22 plate and registration certificate to the applicant by United States mail
23 or to the county treasurer of the county in which the special interest
24 motor vehicle is registered and the delivery of the plate and
25 registration certificate shall be made through a secure process and
26 system. If delivery of the plates and registration certificate is made by
27 the department to the applicant, the department may charge a postage and
28 handling fee in an amount not more than necessary to recover the cost of
29 postage and handling for the specific items mailed to the registrant. The
30 department shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer for credit to the
31 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. The county treasurer or the

1 department shall issue the special interest motor vehicle license plate
2 in lieu of regular license plates when the applicant complies with the
3 other provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for registration
4 of the special interest motor vehicle.

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

14 (9) The special interest motor vehicle license plate shall be
15 affixed to the rear of the special interest motor vehicle.

16 (10) A special interest motor vehicle shall not be used for the same
17 purposes and under the same conditions as other motor vehicles of the
18 same type and shall not be used for business or occupation or regularly
19 for transportation to and from work. A special interest motor vehicle may
20 be driven on the public streets and roads only for occasional
21 transportation, public displays, parades, and related pleasure or hobby
22 activities.

23 (11) It shall be unlawful to own or operate a motor vehicle with
24 special interest motor vehicle license plates in violation of this
25 section. Upon conviction of a violation of any provision of this section,
26 a person shall be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor.

27 (12) For purposes of this section, special interest motor vehicle
28 means a motor vehicle of any age which is being collected, preserved,
29 restored, or maintained by the owner as a leisure pursuit and not used
30 for general transportation of persons or cargo.

31 **Sec. 49.** Section 60-3,163.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is

1 amended to read:

2 60-3,163.02 The department shall issue the following types of
3 alternate license plates pursuant to this section and sections 60-3,104,
4 60-3,163, and 60-3,163.01:

5 (1) Arbor Day Plates. The department shall design such license
6 plates in consultation with the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum and a
7 nonprofit organization holding a certificate of exemption under section
8 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code with a mission to inspire people
9 to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. The design of such plates shall
10 represent the history and importance of Arbor Day in Nebraska. The
11 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Arbor Day
12 Plates is the Home of Arbor Day Plate Cash Fund ~~. A person may apply for~~
13 ~~Arbor Day Plates beginning on January 1, 2026;~~

14 (2) Breast Cancer Awareness Plates. The department shall design such
15 license plates to include a pink ribbon and the words "early detection
16 saves lives" along the bottom of the license plate. The designated
17 recipient for alternate license plate fees for Breast Cancer Awareness
18 Plates is the University of Nebraska Medical Center for the breast cancer
19 navigator program;

20 (3) Choice Color Plates. The department shall design four of such
21 license plates so that (a) a single solid-color background covers the
22 entire front of the license plates and (b) the license plate designations
23 use white characters. The options for single solid-color backgrounds
24 shall be black, red, green, and blue. Each application for initial
25 issuance or renewal of alphanumeric Choice Color Plates shall be
26 accompanied by a fee of seventy dollars. Each application for initial
27 issuance or renewal of personalized message Choice Color Plates shall be
28 accompanied by a fee of one hundred dollars. The designated recipient for
29 alternate license plate fees for Choice Color Plates is the Department of
30 Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. All fees collected pursuant to this subdivision
31 shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of

1 Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. A person may apply for Choice Color Plates
2 beginning on January 1, 2027;

3 (4) (3) Choose Life License Plates. The department shall design such
4 license plates to reflect support for the protection of Nebraska's
5 children. The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
6 Choose Life License Plates is the Health and Human Services Cash Fund to
7 supplement federal funds available to the Department of Health and Human
8 Services for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, 42
9 U.S.C. 601 et seq.;

10 (5) (4) Czech Heritage Plates. The department, in consultation with
11 the Czech Honorary Consul of Nebraska, shall design such license plates
12 to reflect Czech heritage in Nebraska. The designated recipient for
13 alternate license plate fees for Czech Heritage Plates is the Department
14 of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund;

15 (6) (5) Donate Life Plates. The department shall design such license
16 plates to reflect support for organ and tissue donation, registration as
17 a donor on the Donor Registry of Nebraska, and the federally designated
18 organ procurement organization for Nebraska. The designated recipient for
19 alternate license plate fees for Donate Life Plates is the Organ and
20 Tissue Donor Awareness and Education Fund;

21 (7) (6) Down Syndrome Awareness Plates. The department shall design
22 such license plates to include the words "Down syndrome awareness" inside
23 a heart-shaped yellow and blue ribbon. The designated recipient for
24 alternate license plate fees for Down Syndrome Awareness Plates is the
25 University of Nebraska Medical Center for the Down Syndrome Clinic;

26 (8) Honoring Women Veterans. The department shall design such
27 license plates, in consultation with a nongovernment organization that
28 provides support to veterans, to depict a woman soldier and to include
29 the words "women veterans" along the top of the license plates and
30 "honoring her service" along the bottom of the license plates. The
31 designated recipient for Honoring Women Veterans license plates is the

1 Women Veterans Cash Fund. A person may apply for Honoring Women Veterans
2 license plates beginning on January 1, 2027;

3 (9) ~~(7)~~ Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates. The department
4 shall design such license plates to include a blue background with the
5 head of an otter surfacing above water surrounded by the words "Josh the
6 Otter-Be Safe Around Water". The designated recipient for alternate
7 license plate fees for Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates is the
8 Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Cash Fund;

9 (10) ~~(8)~~ Mountain Lion Conservation Plates. The department shall
10 design such license plates to reflect support for the conservation of the
11 mountain lion population. The designated recipient for alternate license
12 plate fees for Mountain Lion Conservation Plates is the Game and Parks
13 Commission Educational Fund;

14 (11) ~~(9)~~ Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates. The
15 department, in consultation with the Commission on Indian Affairs, shall
16 design license plates that reflect the unique culture and history of
17 Native American tribes historically and currently located in Nebraska.
18 The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Native
19 American Cultural Awareness and History Plates is the Native American
20 Scholarship and Leadership Fund;

21 (12)(a) ~~(10)(a)~~ Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates. The department
22 shall design such license plates to (i) include the word "Cornhuskers" or
23 "Huskers" prominently in the design, (ii) use scarlet and cream colors in
24 the design or such other similar colors as the department determines to
25 best represent the official team colors of the University of Nebraska
26 Cornhuskers athletic programs and to provide suitable reflection and
27 contrast, (iii) use cream or a similar color for the background of the
28 design and scarlet or a similar color for the printing, and (iv) create a
29 design reflecting support for the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers
30 athletic programs in consultation with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
31 Athletic Department.

1 (b) Alphanumeric Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall (i) be
2 consecutively numbered beginning with the number one and use numbers that
3 are a size that maximizes legibility, and (ii) not use a county
4 designation or any characters other than numbers on the spirit plates.

5 (c) Personalized message Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall be
6 issued subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message
7 license plates in subsection (2) of section 60-3,118. The characters used
8 shall consist only of letters, numerals, or a combination of letters and
9 numerals of the same size and design specified in section 60-3,100. A
10 maximum of seven characters may be used.

11 (d) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of Nebraska
12 Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of seventy
13 dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be remitted to
14 the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of
15 the fee to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and forty percent
16 of the fee to the designated recipient for alternate license plate fees.

17 (e) The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
18 Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates is the Highway Trust Fund;

19 (13) ~~(11)~~ Nebraska History Plates. The department shall design such
20 license plates in consultation with the Nebraska State Historical Society
21 to reflect the importance of historical preservation in Nebraska and the
22 value of our shared Nebraska history. The designated recipient for
23 alternate license plate fees for Nebraska History Plates is the Support
24 Nebraska History Cash Fund;

25 (14) ~~(12)~~ Pets for Vets Plates. The department shall design such
26 license plates to support veterans and companion or therapy pet animals.
27 The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Pets for
28 Vets Plates is the Pets for Vets Cash Fund;

29 (15) ~~(13)~~ Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates. The department shall
30 design such license plates to include a light blue ribbon and the words
31 "early detection saves lives" along the bottom of the license plate. The

1 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Prostate Cancer
2 Awareness Plates is the University of Nebraska Medical Center for the
3 Nebraska Prostate Cancer Research Program;

4 (16) ~~(14)~~ Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer
5 awareness. The department shall design such license plates to include a
6 blue handprint over a yellow ribbon and the words "childhood cancer
7 awareness". The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
8 Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer awareness is the
9 University of Nebraska Medical Center for pediatric cancer research;

10 (17) ~~(15)~~ Support the Arts Plates. The department shall design such
11 license plates in consultation with the Nebraska Arts Council to reflect
12 support for the arts in Nebraska. The designated recipient for alternate
13 license plate fees for Support the Arts Plates is the Support the Arts
14 Cash Fund;

15 (18)(a) ~~(16)(a)~~ Support Our Troops Plates. The department shall
16 design such license plates to reflect support for troops from all
17 branches of the armed forces. The designated recipient for alternate
18 license plate fees for Support Our Troops Plates is the Veterans
19 Employment Program Fund.

20 (b)(i) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of
21 alphanumeric Support Our Troops Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of
22 five dollars. The State Treasurer shall credit five dollars of the fee to
23 the designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Support Our
24 Troops Plates.

25 (ii) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of
26 personalized message Support Our Troops Plates shall be accompanied by a
27 fee of seventy dollars. Twenty-five percent of such fee shall be credited
28 to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of
29 such fee shall be credited to the designated recipient for alternate
30 license plate fees for Support Our Troops Plates;

31 (19) ~~(17)~~ The Good Life Is Outside Plates. The department shall

1 design such license plates to reflect the importance of safe walking and
2 biking in Nebraska and the value of our recreational trails. The
3 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for The Good Life
4 Is Outside Plates is the Game and Parks State Park Improvement and
5 Maintenance Fund for the purpose of trail improvement and maintenance;
6 and

7 (20) University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates. The
8 department shall create no more than three designs for such license
9 plates in consultation with the University of Nebraska and a nonprofit
10 organization holding a certificate of exemption under section 501(c)(3)
11 of the Internal Revenue Code with a mission to support the University of
12 Nebraska in education and research. Such designs shall reflect support
13 for museums managed by the University of Nebraska, including Ashfall
14 Fossil Beds, Morrill Hall, and Trailside Museum. The designated recipient
15 for alternate license plate fees for University of Nebraska State Museum
16 License Plates is the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate
17 Cash Fund. A person may apply for University of Nebraska State Museum
18 License Plates beginning on January 1, 2027; and

19 (21) ~~(18)~~ Wildlife Conservation Plates. The department shall create
20 no more than three designs for such license plates to reflect support for
21 the conservation of Nebraska wildlife, including sandhill cranes, bighorn
22 sheep, and ornate box turtles. The designated recipient for alternate
23 license plate fees for Wildlife Conservation Plates is the Wildlife
24 Conservation Fund.

25 **Sec. 50.** Section 60-3,164, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
26 amended to read:

27 60-3,164 (1) Any person who operates or parks a motor vehicle or who
28 tows or parks a trailer on any highway, which motor vehicle or trailer
29 has not been registered as required by section 60-362, shall be subject
30 to the penalty provided in sections 60-362 and section 60-3,170.

31 (2) A person who parks a motor vehicle or tows a trailer on any

1 highway, which motor vehicle or trailer has been properly registered in
2 this state but such registration has expired, shall not be in violation
3 of this section or section 60-362 or subject to the penalty provided in
4 sections 60-362 and section 60-3,170, unless thirty days have passed from
5 the expiration of the prior registration.

6 **Sec. 51.** Section 60-3,167, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
7 amended to read:

8 60-3,167 (1) It shall be unlawful for any owner of a motor vehicle
9 or trailer that ~~which~~ is being operated or towed with an In Transit
10 ~~stickers~~ pursuant to section 60-376, which is being operated or towed
11 pursuant to section 60-365 or 60-369, or which is required to be
12 registered in this state and that ~~which~~ is operated or towed on a public
13 highway of this state to allow the operation or towing of the motor
14 vehicle or trailer on a public highway of this state without having a
15 current and effective automobile liability policy, evidence of insurance,
16 or proof of financial responsibility. The owner shall be presumed to know
17 of the operation or towing of his or her motor vehicle or trailer on a
18 highway of this state in violation of this section when the motor vehicle
19 or trailer is being operated or towed by a person other than the owner.
20 An owner of a motor vehicle or trailer who operates or tows the motor
21 vehicle or trailer or allows the operation or towing of the motor vehicle
22 or trailer in violation of this section shall be guilty of a Class II
23 misdemeanor and shall be advised by the court that his or her motor
24 vehicle operator's license, motor vehicle certificate of registration,
25 and license plates will be suspended by the department until he or she
26 complies with sections 60-505.02 and 60-528. Upon conviction the owner
27 shall have his or her motor vehicle operator's license, motor vehicle
28 certificate of registration, and license plates suspended by the
29 department until he or she complies with sections 60-505.02 and 60-528.
30 The owner shall also be required to comply with section 60-528 for a
31 continuous period of three years after the violation. This subsection

1 shall not apply to motor vehicles or trailers registered in another
2 state.

3 (2) An owner who is unable to produce a current and effective
4 automobile liability policy, evidence of insurance, or proof of financial
5 responsibility upon the request of a law enforcement officer shall be
6 allowed ten days after the date of the request to produce proof to the
7 appropriate prosecutor or county attorney that a current and effective
8 automobile liability policy or proof of financial responsibility was in
9 existence for the motor vehicle or trailer at the time of such request.
10 Upon presentation of such proof, the citation shall be dismissed by the
11 prosecutor or county attorney without cost to the owner and no
12 prosecution for the offense cited shall occur.

13 (3) The department shall, for any person convicted for a violation
14 of this section, reinstate such person's operator's license, motor
15 vehicle certificate of registration, and license plates and rescind any
16 order requiring such person to comply with section 60-528 without cost to
17 such person upon presentation to the director that, at the time such
18 person was cited for a violation of this section, a current and effective
19 automobile liability policy or proof of financial responsibility was in
20 existence for the motor vehicle or trailer at the time the citation was
21 issued.

22 **Sec. 52.** Section 60-3,221, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
23 2024, is amended to read:

24 60-3,221 (1) Except as otherwise provided in the Motor Vehicle
25 Registration Act:

26 (a) A cabin trailer shall only be towed by a properly registered:

27 (i) Passenger car;

28 (ii) Commercial motor vehicle or apportionable vehicle;

29 (iii) Farm truck;

30 (iv) Local truck;

31 (v) Minitruck;

- 1 (vi) Recreational vehicle;
- 2 (vii) Bus; or
- 3 (viii) Former military vehicle;
- 4 (b) A utility trailer shall only be towed by:
- 5 (i) A properly registered passenger car;
- 6 (ii) A properly registered commercial motor vehicle or apportionable
- 7 vehicle;
- 8 (iii) A properly registered farm truck;
- 9 (iv) A properly registered local truck;
- 10 (v) A properly registered minitruck;
- 11 (vi) A properly registered recreational vehicle;
- 12 (vii) A properly registered motor vehicle which is engaged in soil
- 13 and water conservation pursuant to section 60-3,149;
- 14 (viii) A properly registered well-boring apparatus;
- 15 (ix) A dealer-plated vehicle;
- 16 (x) A personal-use dealer-plated vehicle;
- 17 (xi) A properly registered bus;
- 18 (xii) A properly registered public power district motor vehicle or,
- 19 beginning January 1, 2023, a properly registered metropolitan utilities
- 20 district motor vehicle; or
- 21 (xiii) A properly registered former military vehicle;
- 22 (c) A farm trailer shall only be towed by a properly registered:
- 23 (i) Passenger car;
- 24 (ii) Commercial motor vehicle;
- 25 (iii) Farm truck;
- 26 (iv) Minitruck; or
- 27 (v) Former military vehicle;
- 28 (d) A commercial trailer shall only be towed by:
- 29 (i) A properly registered motor vehicle which is engaged in soil and
- 30 water conservation pursuant to section 60-3,149;
- 31 (ii) A properly registered local truck;

- 1 (iii) A properly registered well-boring apparatus;
- 2 (iv) A properly registered commercial motor vehicle or apportionable
- 3 vehicle;
- 4 (v) A dealer-plated vehicle;
- 5 (vi) A personal-use dealer-plated vehicle;
- 6 (vii) A properly registered bus;
- 7 (viii) A properly registered farm truck; or
- 8 (ix) A properly registered public power district motor vehicle or,
- 9 beginning January 1, 2023, a properly registered metropolitan utilities
- 10 district motor vehicle;
- 11 (e) A fertilizer trailer shall only be towed by a properly
- 12 registered:
- 13 (i) Passenger car;
- 14 (ii) Commercial motor vehicle or apportionable vehicle;
- 15 (iii) Farm truck; or
- 16 (iv) Local truck;
- 17 (f) A pole and cable reel trailer shall only be towed by a properly
- 18 registered:
- 19 (i) Commercial motor vehicle or apportionable vehicle;
- 20 (ii) Local truck; or
- 21 (iii) Public power district motor vehicle or, beginning January 1,
- 22 2023, metropolitan utilities district motor vehicle;
- 23 (g) A dealer-plated trailer shall only be towed by:
- 24 (i) A dealer-plated vehicle;
- 25 (ii) A properly registered passenger car;
- 26 (iii) A properly registered commercial motor vehicle or
- 27 apportionable vehicle;
- 28 (iv) A properly registered farm truck;
- 29 (v) A properly registered minitruck;
- 30 (vi) A personal-use dealer-plated vehicle; or
- 31 (vii) A properly registered former military vehicle;

1 (h) Trailers registered pursuant to section 60-3,198 as part of an
2 apportioned fleet shall only be towed by:

3 (i) A properly registered motor vehicle which is engaged in soil and
4 water conservation pursuant to section 60-3,149;

5 (ii) A properly registered local truck;

6 (iii) A properly registered well-boring apparatus;

7 (iv) A properly registered commercial motor vehicle or apportionable
8 vehicle;

9 (v) A dealer-plated vehicle;

10 (vi) A personal-use dealer-plated vehicle;

11 (vii) A properly registered bus; or

12 (viii) A properly registered farm truck; and

13 (i) A trailer registered as a historical vehicle pursuant to
14 sections 60-3,130 to 60-3,134 shall only be towed by:

15 (i) A motor vehicle properly registered as a historical vehicle
16 pursuant to sections 60-3,130 to 60-3,134;

17 (ii) A properly registered passenger car;

18 (iii) A properly registered commercial motor vehicle or
19 apportionable vehicle; or

20 (iv) A properly registered local truck.

21 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to waive compliance
22 with the Nebraska Rules of the Road or Chapter 75.

23 (3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any motor
24 vehicle or trailer from displaying dealer license plates or an In Transit
25 ~~stickers~~ authorized by section 60-376.

26 **Sec. 53.** Section 60-462, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
27 2024, is amended to read:

28 60-462 Sections 60-462 to 60-4,189 and sections 55 and 57 to 59 of
29 this act shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle Operator's
30 License Act.

31 **Sec. 54.** Section 60-479, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

1 amended to read:

2 60-479 Sections 60-479.01 to ~~60-4,111.01, 60-4,113, 60-4,114,~~
3 ~~60-4,115~~ to 60-4,118 ~~7~~ and 60-4,182 to 60-4,189 and section 55 of this
4 act shall apply to any operator's license subject to the Motor Vehicle
5 Operator's License Act.

6 **Sec. 55.** Section 60-4,121, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
7 amended to read:

8 ~~60-4,121~~ (1) The operator's license of any person serving on active
9 duty, other than members of the National Guard or reserves activated for
10 training purposes only, outside the State of Nebraska as a member of the
11 United States Armed Forces, or the spouse of any such person or a
12 dependent of such member of the armed forces, shall be valid during such
13 person's period of active duty and for not more than sixty days
14 immediately following such person's date of separation from service.

15 (2) Each individual who is applying for renewal of his or her
16 operator's license shall submit his or her previous license to the
17 department personnel or, when the previous license is unavailable,
18 furnish proof of identification in accordance with section 60-484.

19 **Sec. 56.** Section 60-4,114, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
20 amended to read:

21 60-4,114 (1) The county treasurer may employ such additional
22 clerical help as may be necessary to assist him or her in the performance
23 of the ministerial duties required of him or her under the Motor Vehicle
24 Operator's License Act and, for such additional expense, shall be
25 reimbursed as set out in section 60-4,115.

26 (2) The director may:

27 (a) Appoint ~~, in his or her discretion, appoint~~ department personnel
28 to examine any applicant who applies for an initial license or whose
29 license has been revoked or canceled to ascertain such person's ability
30 to operate a motor vehicle properly and safely; and

31 (b) In ~~. Beginning on an implementation date designated by the~~

1 ~~director on or before January 1, 2022, the director may,~~ in addition to
2 appointing department personnel, appoint driver safety course instructors
3 to examine any applicant who applies for an initial Class 0 operator's
4 license or whose Class 0 operator's license has been revoked or canceled
5 to ascertain such person's ability to operate a motor vehicle properly
6 and safely.

7 (3) Except as otherwise provided in section 60-4,122, the
8 application process, in addition to the other requisites of the act,
9 shall include the following:

10 (a) An inquiry into the medical condition and visual ability of the
11 applicant to operate a motor vehicle;

12 (b) An inquiry into the applicant's ability to drive and maneuver a
13 motor vehicle, except that no driving skills test shall be conducted
14 using an autocycle. The department may waive this requirement for a
15 qualified ignition interlock permit holder; and

16 (c) An inquiry touching upon the applicant's knowledge of the motor
17 vehicle laws of this state, which shall include sufficient questions to
18 indicate familiarity with the provisions thereof. The department may
19 waive this requirement for a qualified ignition interlock permit holder.
20 Such knowledge inquiry may be performed remotely if proctored by an agent
21 approved by the director.

22 (4) If an applicant is denied or refused a certificate for license
23 or a license is canceled, such applicant or licensee shall have the right
24 to an immediate appeal to the director from the decision. It shall be the
25 duty of the director to review the appeal and issue a final order, to be
26 made not later than ten days after the receipt of the appeal by the
27 director. The director shall issue a final order not later than ten days
28 following receipt of the medical opinion if the applicant or licensee
29 submits reports from a physician of his or her choice for the director's
30 consideration as provided in section 60-4,118.03. The applicant or
31 licensee who files an appeal pursuant to this section shall notify the

1 director in writing if he or she intends to submit records or reports for
2 consideration. Such notice must be received by the director not later
3 than ten days after an appeal is filed pursuant to this section to stay
4 the director's decision until after the consideration of such records or
5 reports as provided in section 60-4,118.03. After consideration of
6 evidence in the records of the applicant or licensee, including any
7 records submitted by the applicant or licensee, the director shall make a
8 determination of the physical or mental ability of the applicant or
9 licensee to operate a motor vehicle and shall issue a final order. The
10 order shall be in writing, shall be accompanied by findings of fact and
11 conclusions of law, and shall be sent by regular United States mail to
12 the last-known address of the applicant or licensee. The order may be
13 appealed as provided in section 60-4,105.

14 (5) For purposes of this section, qualified ignition interlock
15 permit holder means a person who holds an ignition interlock permit and:

16 (a) When applying for such ignition interlock permit, passed a
17 driving skills test and a test on the knowledge of the motor vehicle laws
18 of this state; and

19 (b) Completed an operator's license revocation period of one year or
20 less relating to such ignition interlock permit.

21 **Sec. 57.** Section 60-4,112, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
22 amended to read:

23 ~~60-4,112~~ Sections 60-4,118.03 ~~60-4,114.01~~ and ~~60-4,118.01~~ to
24 60-4,130.05 and sections 57 to 59 of this act shall apply to the
25 operation of any motor vehicle except a commercial motor vehicle.

26 **Sec. 58.** Section 60-4,114.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
27 is amended to read:

28 ~~60-4,114.01~~ An applicant for a Class O or Class M license that fails
29 three successive tests of his or her ability to drive and maneuver a
30 motor vehicle safely as provided in subdivision (3)(b) of section
31 60-4,114 may be issued an LPD-learner's permit. The applicant shall not

1 be eligible to reapply for the Class O or Class M license and retake such
2 test until he or she presents proof of successful completion of a
3 department-approved driver training school or until he or she has held an
4 LPD-learner's permit for at least ninety days.

5 **Sec. 59.** Section 60-4,118.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
6 is amended to read:

7 ~~60-4,118.01~~ The Legislature finds and declares that:

8 (1) The operation of a motor vehicle on the highways of the state is
9 a privilege and that no person should operate a motor vehicle on the
10 highways of this state if not physically or mentally capable of safely
11 doing so;

12 (2) The approval or denial of an application for an operator's
13 license or the revocation of an operator's license may provide or prevent
14 an opportunity for the applicant or licensee to obtain or maintain
15 gainful employment; and

16 (3) Under certain circumstances, careful medical review and
17 evaluation of an applicant for an operator's license or of a licensee is
18 necessary to protect the interest of the applicant or licensee and the
19 health, safety, and welfare of the public.

20 **Sec. 60.** Section 60-4,122, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
21 2024, is amended to read:

22 60-4,122 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (2), (3),
23 and (8) of this section, no original or renewal operator's license shall
24 be issued to any person until such person has demonstrated his or her
25 ability to operate a motor vehicle safely as provided in section
26 60-4,114.

27 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section and section
28 60-4,127, any person who renews his or her Class O or Class M license
29 shall demonstrate his or her ability to drive and maneuver a motor
30 vehicle safely as provided in subdivision (3)(b) of section 60-4,114 only
31 at the discretion of department personnel, except that a person required

1 to use bioptic or telescopic lenses shall be required to demonstrate his
2 or her ability to drive and maneuver a motor vehicle safely each time he
3 or she renews his or her license.

4 (3) Any person who renews his or her Class O or Class M license
5 prior to or within one year after its expiration may not be required to
6 demonstrate his or her knowledge of the motor vehicle laws of this state
7 as provided in subdivision (3)(c) of section 60-4,114 if his or her
8 driving record abstract maintained in the computerized records of the
9 department shows that such person's license is not impounded, suspended,
10 revoked, or canceled.

11 (4) Except for operators' licenses issued to persons required to use
12 bioptic or telescopic lenses, any person who renews his or her operator's
13 license which has been valid for fifteen months or less shall not be
14 required to take any examination required under section 60-4,114.

15 (5) Any person who renews a state identification card shall appear
16 before department personnel and present his or her current state
17 identification card or shall follow the procedure for electronic renewal
18 in subsection (9) of this section. Proof of identification shall be
19 required as prescribed in sections 60-484 and 60-4,181 and the
20 information and documentation required by sections 60-484.04 and
21 60-484.07.

22 (6)(a) If a nonresident who applies for an initial operator's
23 license in this state presents a physical or mobile valid operator's
24 license from the individual's state of residence, the department may
25 choose not to require such individual to demonstrate knowledge of the
26 motor vehicle laws of this state.

27 (b) A physical operator's license described in subdivision (a) of
28 this subsection shall be surrendered to the department.

29 (c) Upon issuing an initial operator's license described in
30 subdivision (a) of this subsection, the department shall notify the state
31 that issued the valid operator's license described in subdivision (a) of

1 this subsection to invalidate such license.

2 (7) An applicant for an original operator's license may not be
3 required to demonstrate his or her knowledge of the motor vehicle laws of
4 this state if he or she has been issued a Nebraska LPD-learner's permit
5 that is valid or has been expired for no more than one year. The written
6 examination shall not be waived if the original operator's license being
7 applied for contains a class or endorsement which is different from the
8 class or endorsement of the Nebraska LPD-learner's permit.

9 ~~(8)(a)(i) (8)(a)~~ A qualified licensee as determined by the
10 department may renew his or her Class 0 or Class M license under this
11 subdivision (a) if such person:

12 (A) Is ~~who is~~ twenty-one years of age or older;

13 (B) Holds a ~~whose~~ license that expires prior to his or her
14 seventy-second birthday; ~~and~~

15 (C) Has ~~who has~~ a digital image and digital signature preserved in
16 the digital system.

17 ~~(ii) A renewal under this subdivision (a) may occur may renew his or~~
18 ~~her Class 0 or Class M license twice by electronic means in a manner~~
19 ~~prescribed by the department using the preserved digital image and~~
20 ~~digital signature without taking any examination required under section~~
21 ~~60-4,114 if:~~

22 (A) Such ~~such~~ renewal is prior to or within one year after the
23 expiration of the license;

24 (B) Such person's ~~if his or her~~ driving record abstract maintained
25 in the records of the department shows that such person's license is not
26 impounded, suspended, revoked, or canceled; ~~and~~

27 (C) Such person's ~~if his or her~~ driving record indicates that he or
28 she is otherwise eligible.

29 (iii) A renewal under this subdivision (a) may occur:

30 (A) By electronic means; or

31 (B) In-person at any location approved by the department.

1 (iv) Every licensee, including a licensee who is out of the state at
2 the time of renewal, shall ~~must~~ apply for renewal in person at least once
3 every sixteen years and have a new digital image and digital signature
4 captured.

5 (b) In order to allow for an orderly progression through the various
6 types of operators' licenses issued to persons under twenty-one years of
7 age, a qualified holder of an operator's license who is under twenty-one
8 years of age and who has a digital image and digital signature preserved
9 in the digital system may apply for an operator's license by electronic
10 means in a manner prescribed by the department using the preserved
11 digital image and digital signature if the applicant has passed any
12 required examinations prior to application, if his or her driving record
13 abstract maintained in the records of the department shows that such
14 person's operator's license is not impounded, suspended, revoked, or
15 canceled, and if his or her driving record indicates that he or she is
16 otherwise eligible.

17 (9) Any person who is twenty-one years of age or older and who has
18 been issued a state identification card with a digital image and digital
19 signature may electronically renew his or her state identification card
20 by electronic means in a manner prescribed by the department using the
21 preserved digital image and digital signature. Every person renewing a
22 state identification card under this subsection, including a person who
23 is out of the state at the time of renewal, shall ~~must~~ apply for renewal
24 in person at least once every sixteen years and have a new digital image
25 and digital signature captured.

26 (10) In addition to services available at driver license offices,
27 the department may develop requirements for using electronic means for
28 online issuance of operators' licenses and state identification cards to
29 qualified holders as determined by the department.

30 **Sec. 61.** Section 60-529, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
31 amended to read:

1 60-529 (1)(a) Prior to July 1, 2027, proof ~~Proof~~ of financial
2 responsibility may be furnished by (i) ~~(1)~~ filing with the department the
3 written certificate of any insurance carrier, duly authorized to do
4 business in this state, or (ii) ~~(2)~~ electronic transmission of a
5 certificate by an insurance carrier, duly authorized to do business in
6 this state, certifying that there is in effect a motor vehicle liability
7 policy for the benefit of the person required to furnish proof of
8 financial responsibility, also known as an SR-22 certificate.

9 (b) Beginning July 1, 2027, proof of financial responsibility shall
10 be furnished by electronic transmission of a certificate by an insurance
11 carrier, duly authorized to do business in this state, certifying that
12 there is in effect a motor vehicle liability policy for the benefit of
13 the person required to furnish proof of financial responsibility, also
14 known as an SR-22 certificate.

15 (2) Such certificate shall give the effective date of the
16 certificate and designate, by explicit description or by appropriate
17 reference, all motor vehicles covered thereby unless the policy is issued
18 to a person who is not the owner of a motor vehicle.

19 (3) A certificate of insurance for fleet vehicles may include, as an
20 appropriate reference, a designation that the insurance coverage is
21 applicable to all vehicles owned by the named insured, or wording of
22 similar effect, in lieu of an explicit description.

23 **Sec. 62.** Section 60-6,290, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
24 amended to read:

25 60-6,290 (1)(a) No vehicle shall exceed a length of forty feet,
26 extreme overall dimensions, inclusive of front and rear bumpers including
27 load, except that:

28 (i) A bus, a fifth-wheel trailer as defined in section 71-4603, a
29 travel trailer as defined in section 71-4603, or a motor home ~~τ~~ as
30 defined in section 71-4603 ~~τ~~ may exceed the forty-foot limitation but
31 shall not exceed a length of forty-six ~~forty-five~~ feet;

1 (ii) A truck-tractor may exceed the forty-foot limitation;

2 (iii) A semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor single semitrailer
3 combination, which semitrailer was actually and lawfully operating in the
4 State of Nebraska on December 1, 1982, may exceed the forty-foot
5 limitation;

6 (iv) A semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor single semitrailer
7 combination, which semitrailer was not actually and lawfully operating in
8 the State of Nebraska on December 1, 1982, may exceed the forty-foot
9 limitation but shall not exceed a length of fifty-three feet including
10 load;

11 (v) A semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor single semitrailer
12 combination, while transporting baled livestock forage, may exceed the
13 forty-foot limitation but shall not exceed a length of fifty-nine feet
14 six inches including load;

15 (vi) An articulated bus vehicle operated by a transit authority
16 established under the Transit Authority Law or regional metropolitan
17 transit authority established pursuant to section 18-804 may exceed the
18 forty-foot limitation. For purposes of this subdivision (vi), an
19 articulated bus vehicle shall not exceed sixty-five feet in length; and

20 (vii) A truck may exceed the forty-foot limitation but shall not
21 exceed a length of forty-five feet.

22 (b) No combination of vehicles shall exceed a length of sixty-five
23 feet, extreme overall dimensions, inclusive of front and rear bumpers and
24 including load, except:

25 (i) One truck and one trailer, loaded or unloaded, used in
26 transporting implements of husbandry to be engaged in harvesting, while
27 being transported into or through the state during daylight hours if the
28 total length does not exceed seventy-five feet including load;

29 (ii) A truck-tractor single semitrailer combination;

30 (iii) A truck-tractor semitrailer trailer combination, but the
31 semitrailer trailer portion of such combination shall not exceed sixty-

1 five feet inclusive of connective devices;

2 (iv) A driveaway saddlemount vehicle transporter combination and
3 driveaway saddlemount with fullmount vehicle transporter combination, but
4 the total overall length shall not exceed ninety-seven feet;

5 (v) A stinger-steered automobile transporter, but the total overall
6 length shall not exceed eighty feet, inclusive of a front overhang of
7 less than four feet and a rear overhang of less than six feet. For
8 purposes of this subdivision, automobile transporter means any vehicle
9 combination designed and used for the transport of assembled highway
10 vehicles, including truck camper units. An automobile transporter shall
11 not be prohibited from the transport of cargo or general freight on a
12 backhaul, so long as it is in compliance with weight limitations for a
13 truck-tractor and semitrailer combination; and

14 (vi) A towaway trailer transporter combination, but the total
15 overall length shall not exceed eighty-two feet. For purposes of this
16 subdivision, towaway trailer transporter combination means a combination
17 of vehicles consisting of a trailer transporter towing unit and two
18 trailers or semitrailers with a total weight that does not exceed twenty-
19 six thousand pounds, and in which the trailers or semitrailers carry no
20 property and constitute inventory property of a manufacturer,
21 distributor, or dealer of such trailers or semitrailers.

22 (c) A truck shall be construed to be one vehicle for the purpose of
23 determining length.

24 (d) A trailer shall be construed to be one vehicle for the purpose
25 of determining length.

26 (2) Subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to:

27 (a) Extra-long vehicles which have been issued a permit pursuant to
28 section 60-6,292;

29 (b) Vehicles which have been issued a permit pursuant to section
30 60-6,299;

31 (c) The temporary moving of farm machinery during daylight hours in

1 the normal course of farm operations;

2 (d) The movement of unbaled livestock forage vehicles, loaded or
3 unloaded;

4 (e) The movement of public utility or other construction and
5 maintenance material and equipment at any time;

6 (f) Farm equipment dealers or their representatives as authorized
7 under section 60-6,382 driving, delivering, or picking up farm equipment
8 or implements of husbandry within the county in which the dealer
9 maintains his or her place of business, or in any adjoining county or
10 counties, and return;

11 (g) The overhang of any motor vehicle being hauled upon any lawful
12 combination of vehicles, but such overhang shall not exceed the distance
13 from the rear axle of the hauled motor vehicle to the closest bumper
14 thereof;

15 (h) The overhang of a combine to be engaged in harvesting, while
16 being transported into or through the state driven during daylight hours
17 by a truck-tractor semitrailer combination, but the length of the
18 semitrailer, including overhang, shall not exceed sixty-three feet and
19 the maximum semitrailer length shall not exceed fifty-three feet;

20 (i) Any self-propelled specialized mobile equipment with a fixed
21 load when the requirements of subdivision (2)(i) of section 60-6,288 are
22 met;

23 (j) One truck-tractor two trailer combination or one truck-tractor
24 semitrailer trailer combination used in transporting equipment utilized
25 by custom harvesters under contract to agricultural producers to harvest
26 wheat, soybeans, or milo during the months of April through November but
27 the length of the property-carrying units, excluding load, shall not
28 exceed eighty-one feet six inches; or

29 (k) An overweight raw-milk vehicle for which a length exception has
30 been granted under section 60-6,294.02.

31 (3) The length limitations of this section shall be exclusive of

1 safety and energy conservation devices such as rearview mirrors,
2 turnsignal lights, marker lights, steps and handholds for entry and
3 egress, flexible fender extensions, mudflaps and splash and spray
4 suppressant devices, load-induced tire bulge, refrigeration units or air
5 compressors, and other devices necessary for safe and efficient operation
6 of commercial motor vehicles, except that no device excluded from the
7 limitations of this section shall have by its design or use the
8 capability to carry cargo.

9 **Sec. 63.** Section 60-6,340, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
10 amended to read:

11 60-6,340 (1) No person under the age of sixteen ~~twelve~~ years shall
12 operate a snowmobile in this state unless accompanied by a parent,
13 guardian, or other person over eighteen years of age.

14 ~~(2) No person over the age of twelve years and under the age of~~
15 ~~sixteen years shall operate a snowmobile in this state unless such person~~
16 ~~(a) holds a valid snowmobile safety certificate, (b) is accompanied by a~~
17 ~~person fourteen years of age or over who holds a valid snowmobile safety~~
18 ~~certificate, or (c) is accompanied by a person over the age of eighteen~~
19 ~~years.~~

20 (2) ~~(3)~~ The operator of a snowmobile shall not be required to hold
21 an operator's license.

22 **Sec. 64.** Section 60-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
23 amended to read:

24 60-1402 (1) The ~~There is hereby established~~ the Nebraska Motor
25 Vehicle Industry Licensing Board is created.

26 (2) The board ~~which~~ shall consist of the Director of Motor Vehicles,
27 who shall be the chairperson of the board, and the following eleven ~~nine~~
28 members appointed by the Governor ~~as follows:~~

29 (a) One factory representative; ~~τ~~

30 (b) One ~~one~~ member of the general public; ~~τ~~

31 (c) One ~~and one~~ motorcycle dealer; ~~τ, all of whom shall be appointed~~

1 ~~from the state at large,~~

2 (d) One ~~one~~ new motor vehicle dealer from each of the three
3 congressional districts of the state as the districts existed are
4 ~~constituted~~ on October 19, 1963; ~~τ~~

5 (e) Two ~~and two~~ used motor vehicle dealers. Not ~~and one~~ trailer
6 ~~dealer or combination motor vehicle or trailer dealer,~~ not more than one
7 used motor vehicle dealer shall be ~~being~~ appointed from the same
8 congressional district as such districts existed ~~they are constituted~~ on
9 October 19, 1963; ~~τ~~

10 (f) One ~~and the~~ trailer dealer or combination motor vehicle or
11 trailer dealer; ~~being appointed from the state at large.~~

12 (g) One recreational vehicle dealer that is licensed under the
13 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act; and

14 (h) One recreational vehicle manufacturer that is licensed under the
15 Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act.

16 (3) No member of the board shall participate in any manner in a
17 proceeding before the board involving his or her licensed business.

18 (4)(a) ~~(2)~~ On October 19, 1963, the Governor shall appoint a new
19 motor vehicle dealer and a trailer dealer or combination motor vehicle or
20 trailer dealer to the board. In making the appointments, the Governor
21 shall appoint one of the new members for one year and one for two years
22 as designated by the Governor in making the appointments.

23 (b) On January 1, 1972, the Governor shall appoint one factory
24 representative and one member of the general public to the board,
25 designating one to serve for a term of one year and one for a term of two
26 years.

27 (c) On January 1, 1974, the Governor shall appoint one motorcycle
28 dealer to serve for a term of three years.

29 (d) No later than January 1, 2027, the Governor shall appoint the
30 members described in subdivisions (2)(g) and (h) of this section. Such
31 members shall be appointed for terms of three years. Such three-year

1 terms shall begin on January 1, 2027.

2 (5)(a) At the expiration of the term of any appointed member of the
3 board, the Governor shall appoint a successor for a term of three years.

4 (b) In the event of a vacancy on the board, the Governor shall fill
5 such vacancy by appointing a member to serve during the unexpired term of
6 the member whose office has become vacant.

7 (c) No member appointed shall serve more than two consecutive terms.

8 (6) The action of the majority of the members of the board shall be
9 deemed the action of the board.

10 (7) All appointments made to the board, except the Director of Motor
11 Vehicles, shall be confirmed by the Legislature if in session. In the
12 event the Legislature is not in session all appointments including
13 appointments to fill a vacancy shall be temporary appointments until the
14 next meeting of the Legislature when the Governor shall nominate some
15 person to fill the office. Any person so nominated who is confirmed by
16 the Legislature shall hold office during the remainder of the term.

17 (8) No appointed person may act as a member of the board while
18 holding any other elective or appointive state or federal office except
19 the Director of Motor Vehicles.

20 (9) All appointed members of the board shall be paid fifty dollars
21 for each day actually engaged in the performance of their duties and be
22 entitled to their reasonable traveling expenses in the performance of
23 their duties.

24 **Sec. 65.** Section 60-1411.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
25 is amended to read:

26 60-1411.01 (1) To pay the expenses of the administration, operation,
27 maintenance, and enforcement of the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation
28 Act, the board shall collect with each application for each class of
29 license fees not exceeding the following amounts:

30 (a) Motor vehicle dealer's license, one thousand ~~four hundred~~
31 dollars;

1 (b) Supplemental motor vehicle dealer's license, five hundred twenty
2 dollars;

3 (c) Dealer's agent license, five ~~one~~ hundred dollars;

4 (d) Motor vehicle, motorcycle, or trailer manufacturer's license,
5 one thousand five ~~six~~ hundred dollars;

6 (e) Distributor's license, one thousand five ~~six~~ hundred dollars;

7 (f) Factory representative's license, one hundred twenty dollars;

8 (g) Distributor representative's license, one hundred twenty
9 dollars;

10 (h) Finance company's license, one thousand four ~~hundred~~ dollars;

11 (i) Wrecker or salvage dealer's license, five ~~two~~ hundred dollars;

12 (j) Factory branch license, five ~~two~~ hundred dollars;

13 (k) Motorcycle dealer's license, one thousand four ~~hundred~~ dollars;

14 (l) Motor vehicle auction dealer's license, one thousand four
15 ~~hundred~~ dollars; and

16 (m) Trailer dealer's license, one thousand four ~~hundred~~ dollars.

17 (2) The fees shall be fixed by the board and shall not exceed the
18 amount actually necessary to sustain the administration, operation,
19 maintenance, and enforcement of the act.

20 (3) Such licenses, if issued, shall expire on December 31 next
21 following the date of the issuance thereof. Any motor vehicle,
22 motorcycle, or trailer dealer changing its location shall not be required
23 to obtain a new license if the new location is within the same city
24 limits or county, all requirements of law are complied with, and a fee of
25 one hundred twenty-five ~~twenty-five~~ dollars is paid, but any change of ownership of
26 any licensee shall require a new application for a license and a new
27 license. Change of name of licensee without change of ownership shall
28 require the licensee to obtain a new license and pay a fee of fifty five
29 dollars. Applications shall be made each year for a new or renewal
30 license. If the applicant is an individual, the application shall include
31 the applicant's social security number.

1 **Sec. 66.** Section 60-1438.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2 2024, is amended to read:

3 60-1438.01 (1) For purposes of this section, manufacturer or
4 distributor includes (a) a factory representative or a distributor
5 representative or (b) a person who is affiliated with a manufacturer or
6 distributor or who, directly or indirectly through an intermediary, is
7 controlled by, or is under common control with, the manufacturer or
8 distributor. A person is controlled by a manufacturer or distributor if
9 the manufacturer or distributor has the authority directly or indirectly,
10 by law or by agreement of the parties, to direct or influence the
11 management and policies of the person. A franchise agreement with a
12 Nebraska-licensed dealer which conforms to and is subject to the Motor
13 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act is not control for purposes of this
14 section.

15 (2) Except as provided in this section, a manufacturer or
16 distributor shall not directly or indirectly:

17 (a) Own an interest in a franchise, franchisee, or consumer care or
18 service facility, except that a manufacturer or distributor may hold
19 stock in a publicly held franchise, franchisee, or consumer care or
20 service facility so long as the manufacturer or distributor does not by
21 virtue of holding such stock operate or control the franchise,
22 franchisee, or consumer care or service facility;

23 (b) Operate or control a franchise, franchisee, or consumer care or
24 service facility;

25 (c) Act in the capacity of a franchisee or motor vehicle dealer; or

26 (d) Own, operate, or control any consumer care or service facility
27 or perform warranty or nonwarranty work on any vehicle manufactured by
28 such manufacturer or distributor, unless such manufacturer or
29 distributor:

30 (i) Manufactures and distributes electric vehicles; and

31 (ii) Is not nor has ever been a franchisor in this state.

1 (3) A manufacturer or distributor may own an interest in a
2 franchisee or otherwise control a franchise for a period not to exceed
3 twelve months after the date the manufacturer or distributor acquires the
4 franchise if:

5 (a) The person from whom the manufacturer or distributor acquired
6 the franchise was a franchisee; and

7 (b) The franchise is for sale by the manufacturer or distributor.

8 (4) For purposes of broadening the diversity of its franchisees and
9 enhancing opportunities for qualified persons who lack the resources to
10 purchase a franchise outright, but for no other purpose, a manufacturer
11 or distributor may temporarily own an interest in a franchise if the
12 manufacturer's or distributor's participation in the franchise is in a
13 bona fide relationship with a franchisee and the franchisee:

14 (a) Has made a significant investment in the franchise, which
15 investment is subject to loss;

16 (b) Has an ownership interest in the franchise; and

17 (c) Operates the franchise under a plan to acquire full ownership of
18 the franchise within a reasonable time and under reasonable terms and
19 conditions.

20 (5) On a showing of good cause by a manufacturer or distributor, the
21 board may extend the time limit set forth in subsection (3) of this
22 section. An extension may not exceed twelve months. An application for an
23 extension after the first extension is granted is subject to protest by a
24 franchisee of the same line-make whose franchise is located in the same
25 community as the franchise owned or controlled by the manufacturer or
26 distributor.

27 (6) The prohibition in subdivision (2)(b) of this section shall not
28 apply to any manufacturer of manufactured housing, ~~recreational~~
29 ~~vehicles,~~ or trailers.

30 (7) The prohibitions set forth in subsection (2) of this section
31 shall not apply to a manufacturer that:

1 (a) Does not own or operate more than two such dealers or dealership
2 locations in this state;

3 (b) Owned, operated, or controlled a warranty repair or service
4 facility in this state as of January 1, 2016;

5 (c) Manufactures engines for installation in a motor-driven vehicle
6 with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than sixteen thousand pounds
7 for which motor-driven vehicle evidence of title is required as a
8 condition precedent to registration under the laws of this state, if the
9 manufacturer is not otherwise a manufacturer of motor vehicles; and

10 (d) Provides to dealers on substantially equal terms access to all
11 support for completing repairs, including, but not limited to, parts and
12 assemblies, training and technical service bulletins, and other
13 information concerning repairs that the manufacturer provides to
14 facilities owned, operated, or controlled by the manufacturer.

15 **Sec. 67.** Section 60-1901, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
16 amended to read:

17 60-1901 (1) A motor vehicle is an abandoned vehicle:

18 (a) If left unattended, with no license plates or a valid In Transit
19 ~~stickers~~ issued pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Registration Act affixed
20 thereto, for more than six hours on any public property;

21 (b) If left unattended for more than twenty-four hours on any public
22 property, except a portion thereof on which parking is legally permitted;

23 (c) If left unattended for more than forty-eight hours, after the
24 parking of such vehicle has become illegal, if left on a portion of any
25 public property on which parking is legally permitted;

26 (d) If left unattended for more than seven days on private property
27 if left initially without permission of the owner, or after permission of
28 the owner is terminated;

29 (e) If left for more than thirty days in the custody of a law
30 enforcement agency after the agency has sent a letter to the last-
31 registered owner and lienholder under section 60-1903.01; or

1 (f) If removed from private property by a municipality pursuant to a
2 municipal ordinance.

3 (2) An all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, or a minibike is
4 an abandoned vehicle:

5 (a) If left unattended for more than twenty-four hours on any public
6 property, except a portion thereof on which parking is legally permitted;

7 (b) If left unattended for more than forty-eight hours, after the
8 parking of such vehicle has become illegal, if left on a portion of any
9 public property on which parking is legally permitted;

10 (c) If left unattended for more than seven days on private property
11 if left initially without permission of the owner, or after permission of
12 the owner is terminated;

13 (d) If left for more than thirty days in the custody of a law
14 enforcement agency after the agency has sent a letter to the last-
15 registered owner and lienholder under section 60-1903.01; or

16 (e) If removed from private property by a municipality pursuant to a
17 municipal ordinance.

18 (3) A mobile home is an abandoned vehicle if left in place on
19 private property for more than thirty days after a local governmental
20 unit, pursuant to an ordinance or resolution, has sent a certified letter
21 to each of the last-registered owners and posted a notice on the mobile
22 home, stating that the mobile home is subject to sale or auction or
23 vesting of title as set forth in section 60-1903.

24 (4) For purposes of this section:

25 (a) Mobile home means a movable or portable dwelling constructed to
26 be towed on its own chassis, connected to utilities, and designed with or
27 without a permanent foundation for year-round living. It may consist of
28 one or more units that can be telescoped when towed and expanded later
29 for additional capacity, or of two or more units, separately towable but
30 designed to be joined into one integral unit, and shall include a
31 manufactured home as defined in section 71-4603. Mobile home does not

1 include a mobile home or manufactured home for which an affidavit of
2 affixture has been recorded pursuant to section 60-169;

3 (b) Public property means any public right-of-way, street, highway,
4 alley, or park or other state, county, or municipally owned property; and

5 (c) Private property means any privately owned property which is not
6 included within the definition of public property.

7 (5) No motor vehicle subject to forfeiture under section 28-431
8 shall be an abandoned vehicle under this section.

9 **Sec. 68.** Section 60-1902, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
10 amended to read:

11 60-1902 If an abandoned vehicle, at the time of abandonment, has no
12 license plates of the current year or a valid In Transit stickers issued
13 pursuant to section 60-376 affixed and is of a wholesale value, taking
14 into consideration the condition of the vehicle, of five hundred dollars
15 or less, title shall immediately vest in the local authority or state
16 agency having jurisdiction thereof as provided in section 60-1904. Any
17 certificate of title issued under this section to the local authority or
18 state agency shall be issued at no cost to such authority or agency.

19 **Sec. 69.** Section 60-2701, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
20 amended to read:

21 60-2701 As used in sections 60-2701 to 60-2709, unless the context
22 otherwise requires:

23 (1) Consumer means ~~shall mean~~ the purchaser, other than for purposes
24 of resale, of a motor vehicle normally used for personal, family,
25 household, or business purposes, any person to whom such motor vehicle is
26 transferred for the same purposes during the duration of an express
27 warranty applicable to such motor vehicle, and any other person entitled
28 by the terms of such warranty to enforce the obligations of the warranty;

29 (2) Motor vehicle means ~~shall mean~~ a new motor vehicle as defined in
30 section 60-1401.30 that ~~which~~ is sold in this state, excluding
31 recreational vehicles as defined in section 4 of this act ~~section 60-347~~;

1 and

2 (3) Manufacturer's express warranty means ~~shall mean~~ the written
3 warranty, so labeled, of the manufacturer of a new motor vehicle.

4 **Sec. 70.** Section 71-4603, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
5 2024, is amended to read:

6 71-4603 For purposes of the Uniform Standard Code for Manufactured
7 Homes and Recreational Vehicles, unless the context otherwise requires:

8 (1) Camping trailer means a vehicular portable unit mounted on
9 wheels and constructed with collapsible partial side walls which fold for
10 towing by another vehicle and unfold at the campsite to provide temporary
11 living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use;

12 (2) Commission means the Public Service Commission;

13 (3) Dealer means any of the following ~~a person licensed by the state~~
14 ~~pursuant to the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act as a dealer in~~
15 ~~manufactured homes or recreational vehicles or any other person, other~~
16 ~~than a manufacturer,~~ who sells, offers to sell, distributes, or leases
17 manufactured homes or new recreational vehicles primarily to persons who
18 in good faith purchase or lease a manufactured home or new recreational
19 vehicle for purposes other than resale; ÷

20 (a) A person licensed by the state pursuant to the Motor Vehicle
21 Industry Regulation Act as a dealer in manufactured homes;

22 (b) A person licensed by the state pursuant to the Recreational
23 Vehicle Industry Regulation Act as a dealer in recreational vehicles; or

24 (c) Any other person, other than a manufacturer;

25 (4) Defect means a failure to conform to an applicable construction
26 standard that renders the manufactured home or recreational vehicle or
27 any component of the manufactured home or recreational vehicle not fit
28 for the ordinary use for which it was intended but does not result in an
29 unreasonable risk of injury or death to occupants;

30 (5) Distributor means any person engaged in the sale and
31 distribution of manufactured homes or recreational vehicles for resale;

1 (6) Failure to conform means a defect, a serious defect,
2 noncompliance, or an imminent safety hazard related to the code;

3 (7) Fifth-wheel trailer means a unit mounted on wheels, designed to
4 provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel
5 use, of such size or weight as not to require a special highway movement
6 permit, and designed to be towed by a motorized vehicle that contains a
7 towing mechanism that is mounted above or forward of the tow vehicle's
8 rear axle;

9 (8) Gross trailer area means the total plan area measured on the
10 exterior to the maximum horizontal projections of exterior wall in the
11 setup mode and includes all siding, corner trims, moldings, storage
12 spaces, expandable room sections regardless of height, and areas enclosed
13 by windows but does not include roof overhangs. Storage lofts contained
14 within the basic unit shall have ceiling heights less than five feet and
15 shall not constitute additional square footage. Appurtenances, as defined
16 in subdivision (2)(k) of section 60-6,288, shall not be considered in
17 calculating the gross trailer area as provided in such subdivision;

18 (9) Imminent safety hazard means a hazard that presents an imminent
19 and unreasonable risk of death or severe personal injury;

20 (10) Manufactured home means a structure, transportable in one or
21 more sections, which in the traveling mode is eight body feet or more in
22 width or forty body feet or more in length or when erected on site is
23 three hundred twenty or more square feet and which is built on a
24 permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a
25 permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities and
26 includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems
27 contained in the structure, except that manufactured home includes any
28 structure that meets all of the requirements of this subdivision other
29 than the size requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer
30 voluntarily files a certification required by the United States Secretary
31 of Housing and Urban Development and complies with the standards

1 established under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and
2 Safety Standards Act of 1974, as such act existed on September 1, 2001,
3 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.;

4 (11) Manufactured-home construction means all activities relating to
5 the assembly and manufacture of a manufactured home, including, but not
6 limited to, activities relating to durability, quality, and safety;

7 (12) Manufactured-home safety means the performance of a
8 manufactured home in such a manner that the public is protected against
9 any unreasonable risk of the occurrence of accidents due to the design or
10 construction of such manufactured home or any unreasonable risk of death
11 or injury to the user or to the public if such accidents do occur;

12 (13) Manufacturer means any person engaged in manufacturing,
13 assembling, or completing manufactured homes or recreational vehicles;

14 (14) Motor home means a vehicular unit primarily designed to provide
15 temporary living quarters which are built into an integral part of, or
16 permanently attached to, a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis or van,
17 containing permanently installed independent life-support systems that
18 meet the state standard for recreational vehicles and providing at least
19 four of the following facilities: Cooking; refrigeration or ice box;
20 self-contained toilet; heating, air conditioning, or both; a potable
21 water supply system including a faucet and sink; separate one-hundred-
22 twenty-nominal-volt electrical power supply; or LP gas supply;

23 (15) Noncompliance means a failure to comply with an applicable
24 construction standard that does not constitute a defect, a serious
25 defect, or an imminent safety hazard;

26 (16) Park model recreational vehicle means a vehicular unit which
27 meets the following criteria:

28 (a) Is designed and marketed as temporary living quarters for
29 recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use;

30 (b) Is not permanently affixed to real property for use as a
31 permanent dwelling;

1 (c) Is built on a single chassis mounted on wheels with a gross
2 trailer area not exceeding four hundred square feet in the set up mode;
3 and

4 (d) Is certified by the manufacturer as complying with the ANSI
5 A119.5 Park Model Recreational Vehicle Standard of the American National
6 Standards Institute, 2020 edition;

7 (17) Person means any individual, partnership, limited liability
8 company, company, corporation, or association engaged in manufacturing,
9 selling, offering to sell, or leasing manufactured homes or recreational
10 vehicles;

11 (18) Purchaser means the first person purchasing a manufactured home
12 or recreational vehicle in good faith for purposes other than resale;

13 (19) Recreational vehicle means a vehicular type unit primarily
14 designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or
15 travel use, which unit either has its own motive power or is mounted on
16 or towed by another vehicle. Recreational vehicle includes, but is not
17 limited to, any travel trailer, park model recreational vehicle, camping
18 trailer, truck camper, and motor home ~~, and van conversion~~;

19 (20) Seal means a device or insignia issued by the Department of
20 Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure prior to May 1, 1998,
21 or by the Public Service Commission on or after May 1, 1998, to be
22 displayed on the exterior of a manufactured home or recreational vehicle
23 to evidence compliance with state standards. The federal manufactured-
24 home label shall be recognized as a seal;

25 (21) Serious defect means a failure to conform to an applicable
26 construction standard that renders the manufactured home or recreational
27 vehicle or any component of the manufactured home or recreational vehicle
28 not fit for the ordinary use for which it was intended and which results
29 in an unreasonable risk of injury or death to the occupants;

30 (22) Travel trailer means a vehicular unit mounted on wheels,
31 designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping,

1 or travel use of such size or weight as not to require special highway
2 movement permits when towed by a motorized vehicle;

3 (23) Truck camper means a portable unit constructed to provide
4 temporary living quarters for recreational, travel, or camping use,
5 consisting of a roof, floor, and sides and designed to be loaded onto and
6 unloaded from the bed of a pickup truck; and

7 (24) Van conversion means a completed vehicle permanently altered
8 cosmetically, structurally, or both which has been recertified by the
9 state as a multipurpose passenger vehicle but which does not conform to
10 or otherwise meet the definition of a motor home in this section and
11 which contains at least one plumbing, heating, or one-hundred-twenty-
12 nominal-volt electrical component subject to the provisions of the state
13 standard for recreational vehicles. Van conversion does not include any
14 such vehicle that lacks any plumbing, heating, or one-hundred-twenty-
15 nominal-volt electrical system but contains an extension of the low-
16 voltage automotive circuitry.

17 **Sec. 71.** The Women Veterans Cash Fund is created. The fund shall be
18 administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs. The fund shall
19 consist of money credited pursuant to section 60-3,163.02. The fund may
20 be used by the department for events that focus on women veterans. Any
21 money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
22 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
23 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

24 **Sec. 72.** (1) The University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate
25 Cash Fund is created and shall be administered by the Board of Regents of
26 the University of Nebraska. The fund shall include money credited
27 pursuant to section 60-3,163.02, gifts, grants, bequests, private
28 contributions, and money from any public or private source. Any money in
29 the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
30 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
31 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

1 (2) Money in the fund shall be used for promoting understanding,
2 appreciation, and stewardship of science and natural history through
3 research, public education, and outreach at museums managed by the
4 University of Nebraska.

5 **Sec. 73.** Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14,
6 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32,
7 33, 34, 35, 62, 64, 66, 69, 70, and 74 of this act become operative on
8 October 1, 2026. The other sections of this act become operative on their
9 effective date.

10 **Sec. 74.** Original sections 60-1402 and 60-2701, Reissue Revised
11 Statutes of Nebraska, sections 60-1438.01 and 71-4603, Revised Statutes
12 Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 60-6,290, Revised Statutes
13 Supplement, 2025, are repealed.

14 **Sec. 75.** Original sections 18-1736, 37-1278.01, 60-362, 60-376,
15 60-378, 60-3,164, 60-3,167, 60-479, 60-4,112, 60-4,114, 60-4,114.01,
16 60-4,118.01, 60-4,121, 60-529, 60-6,340, 60-1411.01, 60-1901, and
17 60-1902, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 60-3,135.01,
18 60-3,221, 60-462, and 60-4,122, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
19 2024, and sections 28-306, 60-301, 60-302, 60-386, 60-3,100, 60-3,104,
20 and 60-3,163.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, are repealed.

21 **Sec. 76.** The following section is outright repealed: Section
22 60-6,341, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.