

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB114

Hearing Date: Monday February 03, 2025
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Moser
One Liner: Change provisions relating to Department of Motor Vehicles fees

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Moser, Bosn, Brandt, DeBoer, Fredrickson, Guereca, Storer
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Ballard

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Mike Moser
Rhonda Lahm

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles

Opponents:

Robert M. Bell
Ann Parr
Mary Vaggalis

Representing:

Nebraska Insurance Federation
Farmers Mutual Insurance Company of Nebraska
Consumer Data Industry Association, Independent
Insurance Agents of Nebraska, Nebraska Retail
Federation

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 114 addresses Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) fee increases for both operator license searches and registration and titling searches, differentiating between individual record searches and bulk searches. It also clarifies to which funds the proceeds of such fees should be directed. Finally, it modifies the definition of vehicle, distinguishing it from motor vehicle. Total driver fees would be twenty-four dollars per record, up from seven dollars and fifty cents. The majority of the fee increase would be credited to the General Fund. Fees for bulk searches are also increased, with different fees for searches under two thousand records and searches over two thousand records.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee considered and adopted an amendment which accomplishes the following:



Reduces the proposed fee increases by around half. The new total driver fees total fifteen dollars, up from seven dollars and fifty cents. Bulk search fees were also lowered, with searches over two thousand records costing twenty-five dollars before July 1, 2026 and thirty-five dollars after July 1, 2026.

Section 1 - Amends section 60-483 – Operator’s license searches, fees

Raises the fee from six cents to fifteen cents for a single operator license search of the DMV database. Nine of the fifteen cents will be remitted directly to the DMV Cash Fund. The remaining six will be apportioned between the DMV Cash Fund, the General Fund, and the Records Management Fund.

Larger searches of header information, including name, license numbers, date of birth, address, and physical description will be charged a fee of thirty dollars per thousand records, up from eighteen dollars.

Searches will also be accompanied by a fee of twenty-one dollars, five dollars and fifty cents of which will be directed to the DMV Cash Fund, eleven dollars and fifty cents to the General Fund, and four dollars to the Operator’s License Services System Replacement and Maintenance Fund.

Section 2 – Amends section 60-1506 – Registration and titling records

Defines vehicle as any motor vehicle, trailer, motorboat, all-terrain vehicle, utility-type vehicle, snowmobile, or minibike.

It mandates that the DMV keep a record of each vehicle and to issue a copy of which to any person who has provided the name on the registration or certificate of title, the license plate number, the vehicle identification or other type of identification number, or the title number of the vehicle. A fee of three dollars will be charged for the coffee, which will be directed to the License Plate Cash Fund.

An extract of the entire file of vehicles registered or titled in the state can be requested. Before July 1, 2026, the DMV will charge a fee of twenty-five dollars for such extract which will be directed to the DMV cash fund, up from eighteen dollars. After July 1, 2026, the fee will be increased to thirty-five.

The DMV may make these searches available electronically.

Electronic searches of individual records will be accompanied by a fee of three dollars per record, up from one dollar. Two dollars of that fee will be directed to the License Plate Fund and the remaining to the Records Management Cash Fund. Bulk electronic searches for less than two thousand records will be accompanied by a fee of fifty dollars, directed to the Records Management Cash Fund. Any searches over two thousand records will add an additional fee of twenty-five dollars before July 1, 2026 and a fee off thirty-five dollars per one thousand records after July 1, 2026.

Section 3 – Amends section 60-1509 – Operator’s license services system

The Operator’s License Services System Replacement and Maintenance Fund would be credited for all amounts allocated under 60-483, not just subsection (8).

Section 4 – The act becomes effective July 1, 2025.

Section 5 repeals original sections.

Section 6 is an emergency clause.

Mike Moser, Chairperson

