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1 AN ACT Relating to monthly licensing of motor homes; amending RCW
2 82.44.060; and adding a new section to chapter 46.16 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.16 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 A motor home may be licensed for less than a full registration
7 year by payment of the full annual license fees under this chapter and
8 payment of the motor vehicle excise tax for one or more registration
9 months under RCW 82.44.060.

10 Operation of a vehicle licensed under this section by a person upon
11 the public highways after the expiration of the monthly license is a
12 traffic infraction, and in addition the person shall pay the full motor
13 vehicle excise tax for the vehicle involved covering an entire
14 registration year's operation, less the tax for any registration month
15 or months of the registration year already paid.

16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 82.44.060 and 1990 c 42 s 304 are each amended to read
17 as follows:

1 The excise tax hereby imposed shall be due and payable to the
2 department or its agents at the time of registration of a motor
3 vehicle. Whenever an application is made to the department or its
4 agents for a license for a motor vehicle there shall be collected, in
5 addition to the amount of the license fee or renewal license fee, the
6 amount of the excise tax imposed by this chapter, and no dealer's
7 license or license plates, and no license or license plates for a motor
8 vehicle shall be issued unless such tax is paid in full. Except as
9 provided in this section, the excise tax hereby imposed shall be
10 collected for each registration year. The excise tax upon a motor
11 vehicle licensed for the first time in this state shall be levied for
12 one full registration year commencing on the date of the calendar year
13 designated by the department and ending on the same date of the next
14 succeeding calendar year. For vehicles registered under chapter 46.87
15 RCW, proportional registration, and for vehicle dealer plates issued
16 under chapter 46.70 RCW, the registration year is the period provided
17 in those chapters: PROVIDED, That the tax shall in no case be less
18 than two dollars except for proportionally registered vehicles.

19 The excise tax for a motor home, as defined in RCW 46.04.305, may
20 be paid for any full registration month or months at one-twelfth of the
21 usual annual tax plus two dollars, this sum to be multiplied by the
22 number of full months for which the tax is paid if for less than a full
23 year. The department shall collect an additional fee of two dollars
24 each time a partial year excise tax is paid.

25 A motor vehicle shall be deemed licensed for the first time in this
26 state when such vehicle was not previously licensed by this state for
27 the registration year immediately preceding the registration year in
28 which the application for license is made or when the vehicle has been
29 registered in another jurisdiction subsequent to any prior registration
30 in this state.

31 No additional tax shall be imposed under this chapter upon any
32 vehicle upon the transfer of ownership thereof if the tax imposed with
33 respect to such vehicle has already been paid for the registration year
34 or fraction of a registration year in which transfer of ownership
35 occurs.

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