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1 AN ACT Relating to establishing vehicle engine displacement and
2 emissions fees; adding new sections to chapter 46.17 RCW; providing
3 effective dates; and providing an expiration date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 46.17 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) A vehicle engine displacement fee must be paid and collected
8 annually for motor vehicles subject to the fee under RCW 46.16.0621,
9 except motor homes. The amount of the fee must be based upon the
10 vehicle engine size in liters, which is correlated with vehicle size
11 and vehicle emissions. The fee imposed under this section must be used
12 for transportation purposes, and may not be used for the general
13 support of state government. The vehicle engine displacement fee is
14 that portion of the fee, as reflected on the engine size in liters set
15 forth in the schedule provided in this section, that is in excess of
16 the fees imposed under RCW 46.16.0621 and 46.17.010. For vehicles
17 registered on or after January 1, 2009, the vehicle engine displacement
18 fee under this section is due at the time of initial vehicle
19 registration and any subsequent renewal of vehicle registration.

	<u>Engine Size (liters)</u>	<u>Rate Schedule</u>
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2	Up to 1.9	\$0
3	2.0 - 2.9	\$70
4	3.0 - 3.9	\$225
5	4.0 - 4.9	\$275
6	5.0 - 5.9	\$325
7	6.0 - 7.9	\$400
8	8.0 or over	\$600

9 (2) For the purpose of administering this section, the department
10 shall rely on the vehicle engine size in liters as provided by vehicle
11 manufacturers, or other sources defined by the department, to determine
12 the engine size in liters of each vehicle. The department shall adopt
13 rules for determining engine size in liters for vehicles that do not
14 have a manufacturer-provided engine size in liters.

15 (3) The vehicle engine displacement fee under this section is
16 imposed to provide funds to mitigate the impact of vehicle loads on the
17 state roads and highways, as well as encourage the reduction of vehicle
18 emissions and is separate and distinct from other vehicle license fees.

19 (4) The vehicle engine displacement fee collected under this
20 section must be deposited into the multimodal transportation account.

21 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 46.17 RCW
22 to read as follows:

23 (1) A vehicle emissions fee must be paid and collected annually for
24 motor vehicles subject to the fee under RCW 46.16.0621, except motor
25 homes. The amount of the fee must be based upon the grams of carbon
26 dioxide (CO2) emission per mile. Fees imposed under this section must
27 be used for transportation purposes, and may not be used for the
28 general support of state government. The vehicle emissions fee is that
29 portion of the fee, as reflected on the grams of carbon dioxide (CO2)
30 emission per mile set forth in the schedule provided in this section,
31 that is in excess of the fees imposed under RCW 46.16.0621 and

1 46.17.010. On or after January 1, 2012, the vehicle emissions fee
2 under this section is due at the time of initial vehicle registration
3 and any subsequent renewal of vehicle registration.

4	<u>CO2 Emissions (grams/mile)</u>	<u>Rate Schedule</u>
5	Up to 161	\$0
6	162 - 193	\$70
7	194 - 241	\$225
8	242 - 266	\$275
9	267 - 298	\$325
10	299 - 362	\$400
11	Over 362	\$600

12 (2) For the purpose of administering this section, the department
13 shall rely on the grams of carbon dioxide (CO2) emission per mile as
14 provided by vehicle manufacturers, or other sources defined by the
15 department, to determine the grams of carbon dioxide (CO2) emission per
16 mile of each vehicle. The department shall adopt rules for determining
17 grams of carbon dioxide (CO2) emission per mile for vehicles without
18 manufacturer-provided information on grams of carbon dioxide (CO2)
19 emission per mile.

20 (3) The vehicle emissions fee under this section is imposed to
21 provide funds to mitigate the impact of vehicle loads on the state
22 roads and highways, as well as encourage the reduction of vehicle
23 emissions and is separate and distinct from other vehicle license fees.

24 (4) The vehicle emissions fee collected under this section must be
25 deposited into the multimodal transportation account.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Section 1 of this act takes effect January
27 1, 2009.

28 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Section 2 of this act takes effect January
29 1, 2012.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Section 1 of this act expires January 1,

1 2012.

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