

SENATE FILE 302  
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SF 142)

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the annual registration fee for certain motor  
2 vehicles equipped for persons with disabilities or used by  
3 persons with wheelchairs.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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SF 302

1 Section 1. Section 321.109, subsection 1, Code 2005, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. The annual fee for all motor vehicles including  
4 vehicles designated by manufacturers as station wagons, and  
5 1993 and subsequent model years for multipurpose vehicles,  
6 except motor trucks, motor homes, ambulances, hearses,  
7 motorcycles, motor bicycles, and 1992 and older model years  
8 for multipurpose vehicles, shall be equal to one percent of  
9 the value as fixed by the department plus forty cents for each  
10 one hundred pounds or fraction thereof of weight of vehicle,  
11 as fixed by the department. The weight of a motor vehicle,  
12 fixed by the department for registration purposes, shall  
13 include the weight of a battery, heater, bumpers, spare tire,  
14 and wheel. Provided, however, that for any new vehicle  
15 purchased in this state by a nonresident for removal to the  
16 nonresident's state of residence the purchaser may make  
17 application to the county treasurer in the county of purchase  
18 for a transit plate for which a fee of ten dollars shall be  
19 paid. And provided, however, that for any used vehicle held  
20 by a registered dealer and not currently registered in this  
21 state, or for any vehicle held by an individual and currently  
22 registered in this state, when purchased in this state by a  
23 nonresident for removal to the nonresident's state of  
24 residence, the purchaser may make application to the county  
25 treasurer in the county of purchase for a transit plate for  
26 which a fee of three dollars shall be paid. The county  
27 treasurer shall issue a nontransferable certificate of  
28 registration for which no refund shall be allowed; and the  
29 transit plates shall be void thirty days after issuance. Such  
30 purchaser may apply for a certificate of title by surrendering  
31 the manufacturer's or importer's certificate or certificate of  
32 title, duly assigned as provided in this chapter. In this  
33 event, the treasurer in the county of purchase shall, when  
34 satisfied with the genuineness and regularity of the  
35 application, and upon payment of a fee of ten dollars, issue a

1 certificate of title in the name and address of the  
2 nonresident purchaser delivering the same to the person  
3 entitled to the title as provided in this chapter. The  
4 application requirements of section 321.20 apply to a title  
5 issued as provided in this subsection, except that a natural  
6 person who applies for a certificate of title shall provide  
7 either the person's social security number, passport number,  
8 or driver's license number, whether the license was issued by  
9 this state, another state, or another country. The provisions  
10 of this subsection relating to multipurpose vehicles are  
11 effective January 1, 1993, for all 1993 and subsequent model  
12 years. The annual registration fee for multipurpose vehicles  
13 that are 1992 model years and older shall be in accordance  
14 with section 321.124.

15 b. The annual registration fee for a multipurpose vehicle,  
16 otherwise subject to paragraph "a", with permanently installed  
17 equipment manufactured for and necessary to assist a person  
18 with a disability who is either the owner or a member of the  
19 owner's household in entry and exit of the vehicle or for such  
20 a multipurpose vehicle if the vehicle's owner or a member of  
21 the vehicle owner's household uses a wheelchair as the only  
22 means of mobility shall be sixty dollars. For purposes of  
23 this unnumbered paragraph, "uses a wheelchair" does not  
24 include use of a wheelchair due to a temporary injury or  
25 medical condition.

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#### EXPLANATION

27 This bill provides that any motor vehicle, other than a  
28 motor truck, motor home, ambulance, hearse, motorcycle, or  
29 motorized bicycle, shall be registered for an annual fee of  
30 \$60 if the vehicle has permanently installed equipment to  
31 assist a person with a disability who is the vehicle's owner  
32 or a member of the owner's household in entering and exiting  
33 the vehicle or if the vehicle's owner or a member of the  
34 owner's household uses a wheelchair as the only means of  
35 mobility. The \$60 registration fee currently applies only to

1 multipurpose vehicles equipped for persons with disabilities  
2 or used by persons with wheelchairs.

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