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HOUSE FILE NO. 3126

FIRST COMMITTEE ENGROSSMENT

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Finance

Referred by Chair to Transportation Finance Division.

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Returned to the Committee on Finance as Amended.

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to motor vehicles; fixing registration tax for intracity buses; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 168.013, subdivision 1f.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 168.013, subdivision 1f, is amended to
1.6 read:

1.7 Subd. 1f. **Bus; commuter van.** (a) On all intercity buses, the tax during each
1.8 the first two years of vehicle life shall be based on the gross weight of the vehicle and
1.9 graduated according to the following schedule:

1.10	Gross Weight of Vehicle	Tax
1.11	Under 6,000 lbs.	\$125
1.12	6,000 to 8,000 lbs., incl.	125
1.13	8,001 to 10,000 lbs., incl.	125
1.14	10,001 to 12,000 lbs., incl.	150
1.15	12,001 to 14,000 lbs., incl.	190
1.16	14,001 to 16,000 lbs., incl.	210
1.17	16,001 to 18,000 lbs., incl.	225
1.18	18,001 to 20,000 lbs., incl.	260
1.19	20,001 to 22,000 lbs., incl.	300
1.20	22,001 to 24,000 lbs., incl.	350
1.21	24,001 to 26,000 lbs., incl.	400
1.22	26,001 to 28,000 lbs., incl.	450
1.23	28,001 to 30,000 lbs., incl.	500
1.24	30,001 and over	550

1.25 (b) During each of the third and fourth years of vehicle life, the tax shall be 75
1.26 percent of the foregoing scheduled tax; during the fifth year of vehicle life, the tax shall be

2.1 50 percent of the foregoing scheduled tax; during the sixth year of vehicle life, the tax
2.2 shall be 37-1/2 percent of the foregoing scheduled tax; and during the seventh and each
2.3 succeeding year of vehicle life, the tax shall be 25 percent of the foregoing scheduled tax;
2.4 provided that the annual tax paid in any year of its life for an intercity bus shall be not less
2.5 than \$175 for a vehicle of over 25 passenger seating capacity and not less than \$125 for a
2.6 vehicle of 25 passenger and less seating capacity.

2.7 (c) On all intracity buses operated by an auto transportation company in the business
2.8 of transporting persons for compensation as a common carrier and operating within the
2.9 limits of cities ~~having populations in excess of 200,000 inhabitants~~, the tax during each
2.10 year of the vehicle life of each such bus shall be ~~\$40~~; ~~on all of such intracity buses operated~~
2.11 ~~in cities having a population of less than 200,000 and more than 70,000 inhabitants, the~~
2.12 ~~tax during each year of vehicle life of each bus shall be \$10; and on all of such intracity~~
2.13 ~~buses operating in cities having a population of less than 70,000 inhabitants, the tax during~~
2.14 ~~each year of vehicle life of each bus shall be \$2.~~

2.15 (d) On all other buses and commuter vans, as defined in section 168.126, the tax
2.16 during each of the first three years of the vehicle life shall be based on the gross weight of
2.17 the vehicle and graduated according to the following schedule: Where the gross weight
2.18 of the vehicle is 6,000 pounds or less, \$25. Where the gross weight of the vehicle is
2.19 more than 6,000 pounds, and not more than 8,000 pounds, the tax shall be \$25 plus an
2.20 additional tax of \$5 per ton for the ton or major portion in excess of 6,000 pounds. Where
2.21 the gross weight of the vehicle is more than 8,000 pounds, and not more than 20,000
2.22 pounds, the tax shall be \$30 plus an additional tax of \$10 per ton for each ton or major
2.23 portion in excess of 8,000 pounds. Where the gross weight of the vehicle is more than
2.24 20,000 pounds and not more than 24,000 pounds, the tax shall be \$90 plus an additional
2.25 tax of \$15 per ton for each ton or major portion in excess of 20,000 pounds. Where the
2.26 gross weight of the vehicle is more than 24,000 pounds and not more than 28,000 pounds,
2.27 the tax shall be \$120 plus an additional tax of \$25 per ton for each ton or major portion
2.28 in excess of 24,000 pounds. Where the gross weight of the vehicle is more than 28,000
2.29 pounds, the tax shall be \$170 plus an additional tax of \$30 per ton for each ton or major
2.30 portion in excess of 28,000 pounds.

2.31 (e) During the fourth and succeeding years of vehicle life, the tax shall be 80 percent
2.32 of the foregoing scheduled tax but in no event less than \$20 per vehicle.