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HOUSE BILL 01-1017

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Swenson, Saliman, and Tochtrop;  
also SENATOR(S) Nichol.

CONCERNING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AUTHORIZING TWO- AND FIVE-YEAR REGISTRATION PERIODS AND AUTHORIZING DISCRETIONARY VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER INSPECTIONS, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 42-3-102, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**42-3-102. Periodic registration.** (1) The department may establish by rule a periodic vehicle registration program whereby certain vehicles shall be registered at:

(a) Twelve-month intervals commencing January 1, 1978. The registration of such vehicles shall expire on the last day of the month of each twelve-month registration period.

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statute; dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

(b) FIVE-YEAR INTERVALS UPON PAYMENT OF A FIVE-YEAR REGISTRATION FEE AND A FIVE-YEAR SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAX, IF APPLICABLE, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2002. AN OWNER OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MOTOR VEHICLES MAY ELECT A FIVE-YEAR REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (b), WHICH REGISTRATION SHALL EXPIRE ON THE LAST DAY OF THE LAST MONTH OF EACH FIVE-YEAR REGISTRATION PERIOD:

(I) A UTILITY TRAILER; OR

(II) MOBILE MACHINERY.

(c) TWO-YEAR INTERVALS UPON PAYMENT OF A TWO-YEAR REGISTRATION FEE AND A TWO-YEAR SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAX, IF APPLICABLE, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2002. AN OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS OF A MODEL YEAR 1982 OR NEWER AND THAT IS NOT A MOTORCYCLE MAY ELECT A TWO-YEAR REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH (c), WHICH REGISTRATION SHALL EXPIRE ON THE LAST DAY OF THE LAST MONTH OF EACH TWO-YEAR REGISTRATION PERIOD.

**SECTION 2.** 42-5-202, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

**42-5-202. Vehicle identification number inspection.** (2.5) THE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM A VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER INSPECTION ON ANY MOTOR VEHICLE SUBJECT TO THIS ARTICLE THAT THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT IN CARRYING OUT ITS DUTIES PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE AND TO CHARGE AND RECEIVE AN INSPECTION FEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-5-204 FOR SUCH INSPECTION.

**SECTION 3.** 42-3-105 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**42-3-105. Application for registration - tax - repeal.** (1) (b) The department ~~shall by regulation~~ MAY require those vehicle-related entities specified by regulation to verify information concerning any vehicle through the physical inspection of such vehicle. The information required to be verified by such a physical inspection shall include, but shall not be limited to, the vehicle identification number or numbers, the make of

vehicle, the vehicle model, the type of vehicle, the year of manufacture of such vehicle, the primary body color of such vehicle, the type of fuel used by such vehicle, the odometer reading of such vehicle, and such other information as may be required by the department. For the purposes of this paragraph (b), "vehicle-related entity" means any county clerk and recorder or designated employee of such county clerk and recorder, any Colorado law enforcement officer, any licensed Colorado dealer, any licensed inspection and readjustment station, or any licensed diesel inspection station.

**SECTION 4.** 42-6-107 (1) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**42-6-107. Certificates of title - contents.** (1) (b) The department ~~shall by regulation~~ MAY require those vehicle-related entities specified by regulation to verify information concerning any vehicle through the physical inspection of such vehicle. The information required to be verified by such a physical inspection shall include, but shall not be limited to, the vehicle identification number or numbers, the make of vehicle, the vehicle model, the type of vehicle, the year of manufacture of such vehicle, the type of fuel used by such vehicle, the odometer reading of such vehicle, and such other information as may be required by the department. For the purposes of this paragraph (b), "vehicle-related entity" means any county clerk and recorder or designated employee of such county clerk and recorder, any Colorado law enforcement officer, any licensed Colorado dealer, any licensed inspection and readjustment station, or any licensed diesel inspection station.

**SECTION 5. Appropriation.** In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the distributive data processing account not otherwise appropriated, to the department of revenue, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, the sum of one hundred two thousand five hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$102,527) and 1.3 FTE, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the implementation of this act.

**SECTION 6. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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