Truck or Truck Tractor Registration Fee Installments and Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees; HB 2122

HB 2122 amends law regarding registration fees of trucks, truck tractors, and electric and hybrid vehicles.

Truck Registration

The bill increases from \$100 to \$300 the threshold at which the owner of a truck or truck tractor could make registration fee payments in equal quarterly installments. The bill also removes provisions that deem a registration installment payment not delinquent until the owner has failed to pay any two quarterly payment installments during the year; a quarterly payment is delinquent if it is more than ten days beyond its due date.

Under continuing law, the entire balance plus a 10.0 percent penalty is due and payable, unless the Director of Vehicles, Kansas Department of Revenue, determines such delinquency is not due to negligence or intentional disregard. Continuing law provides procedures for a lien on the vehicle or vehicles for delinquent registration payments. Under continuing law, these provisions do not apply to vehicles registered on an apportioned basis as part of a fleet.

Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees

The bill increases the annual license fees paid at vehicle registration of electric vehicles and plug-in electric hybrid vehicles and establishes license fees for all-electric motorcycles and electric trucks and truck tractors with gross weights of 12,000 pounds or less, effective January 1, 2026.

The bill also directs that the fees collected from these annual license fees be remitted to the State Highway Fund and the Special City and County Highway Fund, to be apportioned and distributed as for motor fuel tax.

The bill increases these vehicle registration fees:

- Electric hybrid vehicles, from \$50 to \$70;
- Plug-in electric hybrid vehicles, from \$50 to \$100; and
- All-electric vehicles, from \$100 to \$165.

The bill also creates three new categories of annual license fees:

- All-electric motorcycles, \$30;
- Electric hybrid or plug-in electric hybrid truck or truck tractor with a gross weight of 12,000 pounds or less, \$125; and

• All-electric truck or truck tractor with a gross weight of 12,000 pounds or less, \$200.

The bill directs these fees to be divided between the State Highway Fund and Special City and County Highway Fund as motor fuel taxes are divided in continuing law. Continuing law directs 66.7 percent to the State Highway Fund and 33.63 percent to the Special City and County Highway Fund. Of the fees remitted to the Special City and County Highway Fund, continuing law directs 57.0 percent to counties and 43.0 percent to cities.