

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB45

Hearing Date: Monday January 26, 2015
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Coash
One Liner: Eliminate film vehicle provisions under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Brasch, Friesen, Garrett, McCoy, Murante, Seiler, Smith
Nay: 1 Senator Davis
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:
Senator Colby Coash
Mark Hoeger
Robert Christoffersen

Representing:
Introducer
Nebraska Film Association
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill amends section 60-3,104, classification of the types of motor vehicle license plates authorized to be issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles. The section is amended by striking and eliminating subsection (12) - film vehicle license plates.

In addition to eliminating the film vehicle plate category, the bill repeals outright the following sections:

60-327. Film vehicle, defined.

Film vehicle means any motor vehicle or trailer used exclusively by a nonresident production company temporarily on location in Nebraska producing a feature film, television commercial, documentary, or industrial or educational videotape production.

60-383. Film vehicles; registration; fees.

(1) A film vehicle, subject to approval by the Department of Economic Development, may be registered upon application to the Department of Motor Vehicles. The Department of Motor Vehicles may provide distinctive license plates for such film vehicles. Such license plates shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100.

(2) The registration for film vehicles shall be issued only with the payment of the fees required by section 60-3,102 and

this section. The registration shall be valid for six months from the date of issuance and may be renewed for a period not to exceed three months upon payment of the renewal fee specified in this section.

(3) The six-month registration fee for a film vehicle shall be fifty dollars for a film vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of sixteen thousand pounds or less and one hundred fifty dollars for a film vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of more than sixteen thousand pounds. The three-month renewal fee shall be twenty-five dollars. All fees collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles under this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Trust Fund.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee considered and adopted an amendment which does the following:

Original sections 2 and 3 of the bill are stricken and a new section 1 is added which amends section 60-366; nonresident owners of motor vehicles, registration of vehicles in Nebraska. The general requirement is that a nonresident owner who operates a motor vehicle for 30 or more consecutive days must register the vehicle in Nebraska, unless their state of residence offers immunity from registration for similarly situated individuals in that state.

The section is amended to provide that a nonresident owner of a film vehicle may operate such vehicle for up to one year without registering the vehicle in this state.

The original bill repealed outright the defined term "Film Vehicle". The amendment retains the definition in law.

Jim Smith, Chairperson