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HOUSE BILL NO. 1524

Offered January 18, 2008

A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 46.2-755.1 and 46.2-755.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the method of collection of local annual license fees and initial registration fees in certain localities.

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

10 1. That §§ 46.2-755.1 and 46.2-755.2 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted as 11 follows:

§ 46.2-755.1. Additional annual license fees in certain localities.

13 In addition to taxes and license fees imposed pursuant to § 46.2-752 and to all other taxes and fees 14 permitted by law, the Hampton Roads Transportation Authority established pursuant to § 33.1-391.7 and 15 the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established pursuant to § 15.2-4830 are authorized to 16 charge an additional non-refundable annual license fee in the amount of \$10 for each vehicle registered in any county or city that is embraced by the respective Authority, for such vehicles subject to state 17 registration fees under this Title. Such additional license fees shall not, however, be charged for any 18 vehicle registered under the International Registration Plan developed by International Registration Plan, 19 20 Inc. Such additional license fees shall be collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles in connection with the issuance or renewal of license plates or by agents or others acting on behalf of the Department 21 22 of Motor Vehicles (1) who agree voluntarily and in writing to act on behalf of the Department of Motor 23 Vehicles and (2) in accordance with a compensation scheduled developed by the Department of Motor 24 Vehicles. 25 § 46.2-755.2. Additional initial registration fees in certain localities.

26 In addition to taxes and license fees imposed pursuant to § 46.2-752 and to all other taxes and fees 27 permitted by law, the Hampton Roads Transportation Authority established pursuant to § 33.1-391.7 and 28 the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority established pursuant to § 15.2-4830 are authorized to 29 charge an additional non-refundable initial, one-time registration fee on any vehicle registered in any 30 county or city that is embraced by the respective Authority, for such vehicles subject to state registration 31 fees under this Title. The fee shall be imposed at a rate of 1% of the value of the vehicle at the time 32 the vehicle is first registered in such county or city by the owner of the vehicle. The value of the 33 vehicle shall be determined on the same basis as is or would be used to determine the basis for motor 34 vehicle sales and use tax as set forth in Chapter 24 (§ 58.1-2400 et seq.) of Title 58.1. The fee 35 authorized by this section shall be assessed at the time the vehicle is first registered in the county or city embraced by the respective Authority by the owner of the vehicle, and shall be imposed only once, so 36 37 long as the ownership of the vehicle upon which they are imposed remains unchanged. Such initial registration fees shall be collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles by agents or others acting on 38 39 behalf of the Department of Motor Vehicles (1) who agree voluntarily and in writing to act on behalf of 40 the Department of Motor Vehicles and (2) in accordance with a compensation schedule developed by the 41 Department of Motor Vehicles.

The fee authorized by this section shall not be imposed upon (i) vehicles registered prior to January 1, 2008 unless the ownership of the vehicle changes on or after January 1, 2008; (ii) vehicles registered under the International Registration Plan developed by International Registration Plan, Inc.; and (iii) any vehicle for which the sole basis for imposing the fee would be a change in the ownership of the vehicle due to (a) a gift to the spouse, son, or daughter of the transferor, (b) a transfer to a spouse, heir under the will, or heir at law by intestate succession as a result of the death of the owner of the vehicle, or (c) the addition or removal of a spouse.