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Overview

This bill modifies various provisions related to driver's licenses, special license plates, vehicle titles, DWI sanctions, and filing fee payment.

- 1** **Optional donation for education on anatomical gifts.** Requires Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) in the Department of Public Safety to include procedures for vehicle owners to donate \$2 for organ donation educational programs as part of payment of vehicle registration taxes when paid in-person at a deputy registrar's office.
- 2** Additional fee. Eliminates an optional \$2 donation procedure for organ donation educational programs, which is being replaced by a similar provision in section 1 of the bill.
- 3** General requirements; fees. Eliminates a \$5 surcharge on some special veterans license plates issued for one-ton pickup trucks.
- 4** Design. Modifies the design requirements for various special veterans plates to eliminate a single letter placed over a second single letter from each design that specifies stacked letters.
- 5** Ownership at issue; certificate withheld or bond filed. Modifies a provision allowing DVS to require a surety bond as a requirement of issuing a certificate of title on a vehicle in situations where the department is not fully assured of vehicle ownership or the status of liens. Under the changes, the department would also be required to (1) notify previous vehicle owners and lien holders of an impending title change; (2) delay title issuance (to provide time for someone to respond to the notification); and (3) charge a \$30 fee for processing the title application. Creates a statutory appropriation to the department of fee proceeds.
- 6** Revocation periods for DWI convictions. Recodifies language on license revocation periods for DWI-related offenses (which is repealed in the bill), to place all relevant provisions into one section of statutes. Makes technical changes.
- 7** Applicability of implied consent revocation. Narrows the alcohol concentration cut-off allowed for a reduced driver's license revocation period (of 60 or 90 days) instead of a longer period (of at least one year) for DWI violations under certain circumstances. The shorter period could apply with an alcohol

concentration of up to twice the legal limit (0.16 BAC) instead of up to 0.20 BAC. (This provision aligns with changes made in Laws 2010, Chapter 366, throughout the license revocation provisions.)

- 8** Fee; equipment. Allows payment of driver's license and identification card fees by credit or debit card, and authorizes driver's license agents (who perform driver licensing under the purview of the Department of Public Safety) to impose a convenience fee. Any convenience fee must not exceed the cost of processing credit and debit card transactions. Provides streamlined rulemaking authority concerning the payments.
- 9** Anatomical gift account. Makes a conforming change.
- 10** **Conditions of issuance.** Makes conforming changes.
- 11** **Issuance of restricted license.** Makes conforming changes.
- 12** **Repealer.** Repeals a provision on DWI license revocation that is recodified elsewhere in the bill.