

1 AN ACT relating to electric and hybrid vehicle fees and making an appropriation  
2 therefor.

3 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186 IS CREATED TO  
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *(1) At the time of initial and annual vehicle registration under Section 3 of this Act,*  
7 *the county clerk shall collect from the registrant the base fee for highway usage*  
8 *established under subsection (2) of this section, as adjusted by the calculations in*  
9 *subsection (3) of this section.*

10 *(2) The base floor for vehicle fees in this section shall be as follows:*

11 *(a) Fifty dollars (\$50) for hybrid vehicles model year 2019 or newer;*

12 *(b) One hundred dollars (\$100) for hybrid electric plug-in vehicles; and*

13 *(c) One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for non-hybrid electric vehicles.*

14 *(3) The Department of Revenue shall adjust the fee established in subsection (2) of*  
15 *this section on the same schedule as the adjustment for the gasoline tax*  
16 *established under KRS 138.228, in the following manner:*

17 *(a) For each two-tenths of one cent (\$0.002) increase in the gasoline tax, the*  
18 *fee outlined in this section shall increase one dollar (\$1);*

19 *(b) For each two-tenths of one cent (\$0.002) decrease in the gasoline tax, the*  
20 *fee outlined in this section shall decrease one dollar (\$1); and*

21 *(c) Any adjustment of fees under this subsection, shall not result in a decrease*  
22 *below the base fees established in subsection (2) of this section.*

23 *(4) All fees collected under this section shall be transferred to the road fund, as*  
24 *defined in KRS 48.010.*

25 ➔Section 2. KRS 186.010 (Effective January 1, 2019) is amended to read as  
26 follows:

27 As used in this chapter, unless otherwise indicated:

- 1 (1) "Cabinet," as used in KRS 186.400 to 186.640, means the Transportation Cabinet;  
2 except as specifically designated, "cabinet," as used in KRS 186.020 to 186.270,  
3 means the Transportation Cabinet only with respect to motor vehicles, other than  
4 commercial vehicles; "cabinet," as used in KRS 186.020 to 186.270, means the  
5 Department of Vehicle Regulation when used with respect to commercial vehicles;
- 6 (2) "Highway" means every way or place of whatever nature when any part of it is open  
7 to the use of the public, as a matter of right, license, or privilege, for the purpose of  
8 vehicular traffic;
- 9 (3) "Manufacturer" means any person engaged in manufacturing motor vehicles who  
10 will, under normal conditions during the year, manufacture or assemble at least ten  
11 (10) new motor vehicles;
- 12 (4) "Motor vehicle" means in KRS 186.020 to 186.260, all vehicles, as defined in  
13 paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of this section, which are propelled otherwise than  
14 by muscular power. As used in KRS 186.400 to 186.640, it means all vehicles, as  
15 defined in paragraph (b) of subsection (8) of this section, which are self-propelled.  
16 "Motor vehicle" shall not include a moped as defined in this section, but for  
17 registration purposes shall include low-speed vehicles and military surplus vehicles  
18 as defined in this section and vehicles operating under KRS 189.283;
- 19 (5) "Moped" means either a motorized bicycle whose frame design may include one (1)  
20 or more horizontal crossbars supporting a fuel tank so long as it also has pedals, or a  
21 motorized bicycle with a step-through type frame which may or may not have  
22 pedals rated no more than two (2) brake horsepower, a cylinder capacity not  
23 exceeding fifty (50) cubic centimeters, an automatic transmission not requiring  
24 clutching or shifting by the operator after the drive system is engaged, and capable  
25 of a maximum speed of not more than thirty (30) miles per hour;
- 26 (6) "Operator" means any person in actual control of a motor vehicle upon a highway;
- 27 (7) (a) "Owner" means a person who holds the legal title of a vehicle or a person who

1           pursuant to a bona fide sale has received physical possession of the vehicle  
2           subject to any applicable security interest.

3           (b) A vehicle is the subject of an agreement for the conditional sale or lease, with  
4           the vendee or lessee entitled to possession of the vehicle, upon performance of  
5           the contract terms, for a period of three hundred sixty-five (365) days or more  
6           and with the right of purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in  
7           the agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested in the  
8           conditional vendee or lessee, or if a mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to  
9           possession, the conditional vendee or lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed the  
10          owner.

11          (c) A licensed motor vehicle dealer who transfers physical possession of a motor  
12          vehicle to a purchaser pursuant to a bona fide sale, and complies with the  
13          requirements of KRS 186A.220, shall not be deemed the owner of that motor  
14          vehicle solely due to an assignment to his dealership or a certificate of title in  
15          the dealership's name. Rather, under these circumstances, ownership shall  
16          transfer upon delivery of the vehicle to the purchaser, subject to any  
17          applicable security interest;

18       (8) (a) "Vehicle," as used in KRS 186.020 to 186.260, includes all agencies for the  
19       transportation of persons or property over or upon the public highways of this  
20       Commonwealth and all vehicles passing over or upon said highways,  
21       excepting road rollers, road graders, farm tractors, vehicles on which power  
22       shovels are mounted, such other construction equipment customarily used  
23       only on the site of construction and which is not practical for the  
24       transportation of persons or property upon the highways, such vehicles as  
25       travel exclusively upon rails, and such vehicles as are propelled by electric  
26       power obtained from overhead wires while being operated within any  
27       municipality or where said vehicles do not travel more than five (5) miles

1 beyond the city limit of any municipality.

2 (b) As used in KRS 186.400 to 186.640, "vehicle" means every device in, upon or  
3 by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a  
4 public highway, excepting devices moved by human and animal power or  
5 used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks, or which derives its power  
6 from overhead wires;

7 (9) KRS 186.020 to 186.270 apply to motor vehicle licenses. KRS 186.400 to 186.640  
8 apply to operator's licenses;

9 (10) "Dealer" means any person engaging in the business of buying or selling motor  
10 vehicles;

11 (11) "Commercial vehicles" means all motor vehicles that are required to be registered  
12 under the terms of KRS 186.050, but not including vehicles primarily designed for  
13 carrying passengers and having provisions for not more than nine (9) passengers  
14 (including driver), motorcycles, sidecar attachments, pickup trucks and passenger  
15 vans which are not being used for commercial or business purposes, and motor  
16 vehicles registered under KRS 186.060;

17 (12) "Resident" means any person who has established Kentucky as his or her state of  
18 domicile. Proof of residency shall include but not be limited to a deed or property  
19 tax bill, utility agreement or utility bill, or rental housing agreement. The possession  
20 by an operator of a vehicle of a valid Kentucky operator's license shall be prima-  
21 facie evidence that the operator is a resident of Kentucky;

22 (13) "Special status individual" means:

23 (a) "Asylee" means any person lawfully present in the United States who  
24 possesses an I-94 card issued by the United States Department of Justice,  
25 Immigration and Naturalization Service, on which it states "asylum status  
26 granted indefinitely pursuant to Section 208 of the Immigration & Nationality  
27 Act";

- 1 (b) "K-1 status" means the status of any person lawfully present in the United  
2 States who has been granted permission by the United States Department of  
3 Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service to enter the United States for  
4 the purpose of marrying a United States citizen within ninety (90) days from  
5 the date of that entry;
- 6 (c) "Refugee" means any person lawfully present in the United States who  
7 possesses an I-94 card issued by the United States Department of Justice,  
8 Immigration and Naturalization Service, on which it states "admitted as a  
9 refugee pursuant to Section 207 of the Immigration & Nationality Act"; and
- 10 (d) "Paroled in the Public Interest" means any person lawfully present in the  
11 United States who possesses an I-94 card issued by the United States  
12 Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, on which it  
13 states "paroled pursuant to Section 212 of the Immigration & Nationality Act  
14 for an indefinite period of time";
- 15 (14) "Instruction permit" includes both motor vehicle instruction permits and motorcycle  
16 instruction permits;
- 17 (15) "Motorcycle" means any motor driven vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of  
18 the operator and designed to travel on not more than three (3) wheels in contact  
19 with the ground, including vehicles on which the operator and passengers ride in an  
20 enclosed cab. For purposes of registration, "motorcycle" shall include an  
21 alternative-speed motorcycle and an autocycle as defined in this section, but shall  
22 not include a tractor or a moped as defined in this section;
- 23 (16) "Low-speed vehicle" means a motor vehicle that:
- 24 (a) Is self-propelled using an electric motor, combustion-driven motor, or a  
25 combination thereof;
- 26 (b) Is four (4) wheeled; and
- 27 (c) Is designed to operate at a speed not to exceed twenty-five (25) miles per hour

1 as certified by the manufacturer;

2 (17) "Alternative-speed motorcycle" means a motorcycle that:

3 (a) Is self-propelled using an electric motor;

4 (b) Is three (3) wheeled;

5 (c) Has a fully enclosed cab and includes at least one (1) door for entry;

6 (d) Is designed to operate at a speed not to exceed forty (40) miles per hour as  
7 certified by the manufacturer; and

8 (e) Is not an auticycle as defined in this section;

9 (18) "Multiple-vehicle driving range" means an enclosed area that is not part of a  
10 highway or otherwise open to the public on which a number of motor vehicles may  
11 be used simultaneously to provide driver training under the supervision of one (1) or  
12 more driver training instructors;

13 (19) "Auticycle" means any motor vehicle that:

14 (a) Is equipped with a seat that does not require the operator to straddle or sit  
15 astride it;

16 (b) Is designed to travel on three (3) wheels in contact with the ground;

17 (c) Is designed to operate at a speed that exceeds forty (40) miles per hour as  
18 certified by the manufacturer;

19 (d) Allows the operator and passenger to ride either side-by-side or in tandem in a  
20 seating area that may be enclosed with a removable or fixed top;

21 (e) Is equipped with a three (3) point safety belt system;

22 (f) May be equipped with a manufacturer-installed air bags or a roll cage;

23 (g) Is designed to be controlled with a steering wheel and pedals; and

24 (h) Is not an alternative-speed motorcycle as defined in this section;

25 (20) "Military surplus vehicle" means a multipurpose wheeled surplus military vehicle  
26 that:

27 (a) Is not operated using continuous tracks;

1 (b) Was originally manufactured for and sold directly to the Armed Forces of the  
2 United States; and

3 (c) Was originally manufactured under the federally mandated requirements set  
4 forth in 49 C.F.R. sec. 571.7;

5 (21) "Livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine, goats, horses, alpacas, llamas, buffaloes,  
6 and any other animals of the bovine, ovine, porcine, caprine, equine, or camelid  
7 species;

8 (22) "Identity document" means an instruction permit, operator's license, or personal  
9 identification card issued under KRS 186.4102, 186.412, 186.4121, 186.4122, and  
10 186.4123 or a commercial driver's license issued under KRS Chapter 281A;~~and~~

11 (23) "Travel ID," as it refers to an identity document, means a document that complies  
12 with Pub. L. No. 109-13, Title II;

13 **(24) "Hybrid vehicle" means a motor vehicle that:**

14 **(a) Draws propulsion energy from both an internal combustion engine and an**  
15 **energy storage device; and**

16 **(b) Employs a regenerative braking system to recover waste energy to charge**  
17 **the energy storage device that is providing propulsion energy;**

18 **(25) "Hybrid electric plug-in vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is primarily**  
19 **propelled by an electric motor that is powered by an energy storage device that is**  
20 **recharged from an external source, but a combustion engine will power the**  
21 **vehicle when the energy storage device that powers the electric motor is low; and**

22 **(26) "Non-hybrid electric vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is solely propelled by**  
23 **an electric motor.**

24 ➔Section 3. KRS 186.050 is amended to read as follows:

25 (1) The annual registration fee shall be eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50) for:

26 (a) Motor vehicles, including pickup trucks and passenger vans; and

27 (b) Motor carrier vehicles, as defined in KRS 281.010, primarily designed for

1 carrying passengers or passengers for hire and having been designed or  
2 constructed to transport not more than fifteen (15) passengers, including the  
3 operator.

4 (2) Except as provided in KRS 186.041 and 186.162, the annual registration fee for  
5 each motorcycle shall be nine dollars (\$9).

6 (3) (a) All motor vehicles having a declared gross weight of vehicle and any towed  
7 unit of ten thousand (10,000) pounds or less, except those mentioned in  
8 subsections (1) and (2) of this section, are classified as commercial vehicles  
9 and the annual registration fee, except as provided in subsections (4) to (14) of  
10 this section, shall be eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50).

11 (b) All motor vehicles, except those mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) of this  
12 section, and those engaged in hauling passengers for hire which are designed  
13 or constructed to transport more than fifteen (15) passengers including the  
14 operator, whose registration fee shall be one hundred dollars (\$100), are  
15 classified as commercial vehicles and the annual registration fee, except as  
16 provided in subsections (3)(a) and (4) to (14) of this section, shall be as  
17 follows:

18	Declared Gross Weight of Vehicle	Registration
19	and Any Towed Unit	Fee
20	10,001-14,000	30.00
21	14,001-18,000	50.00
22	18,001-22,000	132.00
23	22,001-26,000	160.00
24	26,001-32,000	216.00
25	32,001-38,000	300.00
26	38,001-44,000	474.00
27	44,001-55,000	669.00



1	55,001-62,000	1,007.00
2	62,001-73,280	1,250.00
3	73,281-80,000	1,410.00

- 4 (4) (a) 1. Any farmer owning a truck having a gross weight of twenty-six  
5 thousand (26,000) pounds or less may have it registered as a farmer's  
6 truck and obtain a license for eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50). The  
7 applicant's signature upon the certificate of registration and ownership  
8 shall constitute a certificate that he is a farmer engaged in the production  
9 of crops, livestock, or dairy products, that he owns a truck of the gross  
10 weight of twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds or less, and that during  
11 the next twelve (12) months the truck shall not be used in for-hire  
12 transportation and may be used in transporting persons, food, provender,  
13 feed, machinery, livestock, material, and supplies necessary for his  
14 farming operation, and the products grown on his farm.
- 15 2. Any farmer owning a truck having a gross weight of twenty-six  
16 thousand one (26,001) pounds to thirty-eight thousand (38,000) pounds  
17 may have it registered as a farmer's truck and obtain a license for eleven  
18 dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50). The applicant's signature upon the  
19 certificate of registration and ownership shall constitute a certificate that  
20 he is a farmer engaged in the production of crops, livestock, or dairy  
21 products, that he owns a truck of the gross weight between twenty-six  
22 thousand one (26,001) pounds and thirty-eight thousand (38,000)  
23 pounds, and that during the next twelve (12) months the truck shall not  
24 be used in for-hire transportation and may be used in transporting  
25 persons, food, provender, feed, machinery, livestock, material, and  
26 supplies necessary for his farming operation and the products grown on  
27 his farm.

1 (b) Any farmer owning a truck having a declared gross weight in excess of thirty-  
2 eight thousand (38,000) pounds shall not be required to pay the fee set out in  
3 subsection (3) of this section and, in lieu thereof, shall pay forty percent (40%)  
4 of the fee set out in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from  
5 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. The applicant's  
6 signature upon the registration receipt shall be considered to be a certification  
7 that he is a farmer engaged solely in the production of crops, livestock, or  
8 dairy products, and that during the current registration year the truck will be  
9 used only in transporting persons, food, provender, feed, and machinery used  
10 in operating his farm and the products grown on his farm.

11 (c) An initial applicant for, or an applicant renewing, his or her registration  
12 pursuant to this subsection, may at the time of application make a voluntary  
13 contribution to be deposited into the agricultural program trust fund  
14 established in KRS 246.247. The recommended voluntary contribution shall  
15 be set at ten dollars (\$10) and automatically added to the cost of registration or  
16 renewal unless the individual registering or renewing the vehicle opts out of  
17 contributing the recommended amount. The county clerk shall collect and  
18 forward the voluntary contribution to the cabinet for distribution to the  
19 Department of Agriculture.

20 (5) Any person owning a truck or bus used solely in transporting school children and  
21 school employees may have the truck or bus registered as a school bus and obtain a  
22 license for eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in  
23 addition to other information required, an affidavit stating that the truck or bus is  
24 used solely in the transportation of school children and persons employed in the  
25 schools of the district, that he has caused to be printed on each side of the truck or  
26 bus and on the rear door the words "School Bus" in letters at least six (6) inches  
27 high, and of a conspicuous color, and the truck or bus will be used during the next

- 1 twelve (12) months only for the purpose stated.
- 2 (6) Any church or religious organization owning a truck or bus used solely in  
3 transporting persons to and from a place of worship or for other religious work may  
4 have the truck or bus registered as a church bus and obtain a license for eleven  
5 dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in addition to other  
6 information required, an affidavit stating that the truck or bus will be used only for  
7 the transporting of persons to and from a place of worship, or for other religious  
8 work, and that there has been printed on the truck or bus in large letters the words  
9 "Church Bus," with the name of the church or religious organization owning and  
10 using the truck or bus, and that during the next twelve (12) months the truck or bus  
11 will be used only for the purpose stated.
- 12 (7) Any person owning a motor vehicle with a gross weight of fourteen thousand  
13 (14,000) pounds or less on which a wrecker crane or other equipment suitable for  
14 wrecker service has been permanently mounted may register the vehicle and obtain  
15 a license for eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in  
16 addition to other information required, an affidavit that a wrecker crane or other  
17 equipment suitable for wrecker service has been permanently mounted on such  
18 vehicle and that during the next twelve (12) months the vehicle will be used only in  
19 wrecker service. If the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds fourteen thousand  
20 (14,000) pounds, the vehicle shall be registered in accordance with subsection (3) of  
21 this section. The gross weight of a vehicle used in wrecker service shall not include  
22 the weight of the vehicle being towed by the wrecker.
- 23 (8) Motor vehicles having a declared gross weight in excess of eighteen thousand  
24 (18,000) pounds, which when operated in this state are used exclusively for the  
25 transportation of property within the limits of the city named in the affidavit  
26 hereinafter required to be filed, or within ten (10) miles of the city limits of the city  
27 if it is a city with a population equal to or greater than three thousand (3,000) based

1 upon the most recent federal decennial census, or within five (5) miles of its limits  
2 if it is a city with a population of less than three thousand (3,000) based upon the  
3 most recent federal decennial census, or anywhere within a county containing an  
4 urban-county government, shall not be required to pay the fee as set out in  
5 subsection (3) of this section, and in lieu thereof shall pay seventy-five percent  
6 (75%) of the fee set forth in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from  
7 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. Nothing in this section shall  
8 be construed to limit any right of nonresidents to exemption from registration under  
9 any other provisions of the laws granting reciprocity to nonresidents. Operations  
10 outside of this state shall not be considered in determining whether or not the  
11 foregoing mileage limitations have been observed. When claiming the right to the  
12 reduced fee, the applicant's signature on the certificate of registration and ownership  
13 shall constitute a certification or affidavit stating that the motor vehicle when used  
14 within this state is used only for the transportation of property within the city to be  
15 named in the affidavit and the area above set out and that the vehicle will not be  
16 used outside of a city and the area above set out during the current registration  
17 period.

18 (9) Motor vehicles having a declared gross weight in excess of eighteen thousand  
19 (18,000) pounds, which are used exclusively for the transportation of primary forest  
20 products from the harvest area to a mill or other processing facility, where such mill  
21 or processing facility is located at a point not more than fifty (50) air miles from the  
22 harvest area or which are used exclusively for the transportation of concrete blocks  
23 or ready-mixed concrete from the point at which such concrete blocks or ready-  
24 mixed concrete is produced to a construction site where such concrete blocks or  
25 ready-mixed concrete is to be used, where such construction site is located at a point  
26 not more than thirty (30) air miles from the point at which such concrete blocks or  
27 ready-mixed concrete is produced shall not be required to pay the fee as set out in

1 subsection (3) of this section, and in lieu thereof, shall pay seventy-five percent  
2 (75%) of the fee set out in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from  
3 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. The applicant's signature  
4 upon the certificate of registration and ownership shall constitute a certification that  
5 the motor vehicle will not be used during the current registration period in any  
6 manner other than that for which the reduced fee is provided in this section.

7 (10) Any owner of a commercial vehicle registered for a declared gross weight in excess  
8 of eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds, intending to transfer same and desiring to  
9 take advantage of the refund provisions of KRS 186.056(2), may reregister such  
10 vehicle and obtain a "For Sale" certificate of registration and ownership for one  
11 dollar (\$1). Title to a vehicle so registered may be transferred, but such registration  
12 shall not authorize the operation or use of the vehicle on any public highway. No  
13 refund may be made under the provisions of KRS 186.056(2) until such time as the  
14 title to such vehicle has been transferred to the purchaser thereof. Provided,  
15 however, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to prevent the seller of a  
16 commercial vehicle from transferring the registration of such vehicle to any  
17 purchaser thereof.

18 (11) The annual registration fee for self-propelled vehicles containing sleeping or eating  
19 facilities shall be twenty dollars (\$20) and the multiyear license plate issued shall be  
20 designated "Recreational vehicle." The foregoing shall not include any motor  
21 vehicle primarily designed for commercial or farm use having temporarily attached  
22 thereto any sleeping or eating facilities, or any commercial vehicle having sleeping  
23 facilities.

24 (12) The registration fee on any vehicle registered under this section shall be increased  
25 fifty percent (50%) when the vehicle is not equipped wholly with pneumatic tires.

26 (13) (a) The Department of Vehicle Regulation is authorized to negotiate and execute  
27 an agreement or agreements for the purpose of developing and instituting

1 proportional registration of motor vehicles engaged in interstate commerce, or  
2 in a combination of interstate and intrastate commerce, and operating into,  
3 through, or within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The agreement or  
4 agreements may be made on a basis commensurate with, and determined by,  
5 the miles traveled on, and use made of, the highways of this Commonwealth  
6 as compared with the miles traveled on and use made of highways of other  
7 states, or upon any other equitable basis of proportional registration.  
8 Notwithstanding the provisions of KRS 186.020, the cabinet shall promulgate  
9 administrative regulations concerning the registration of motor vehicles under  
10 any agreement or agreements made under this section and shall provide for  
11 direct issuance by it of evidence of payment of any registration fee required  
12 under such agreement or agreements. Any proportional registration fee  
13 required to be collected under any proportional registration agreement or  
14 agreements shall be in accordance with the taxes established in this section.

15 (b) Any owner of a commercial vehicle who is required to title his motor vehicle  
16 under this section shall first title such vehicle with the county clerk pursuant  
17 to KRS 186.020 for a state fee of one dollar (\$1). Title to such vehicle may be  
18 transferred; however title without proper registration shall not authorize the  
19 operation or use of the vehicle on any public highway. Any commercial  
20 vehicle properly titled in Kentucky may also be registered in Kentucky, and,  
21 upon payment of the required fees, the department may issue an apportioned  
22 registration plate to such commercial vehicle.

23 (c) Any commercial vehicle that is properly titled in a foreign jurisdiction, which  
24 vehicle is subject to apportioned registration, as provided in paragraph (a) of  
25 this subsection, may be registered in Kentucky, and, upon proof of proper title  
26 and payment of the required fees, the department may issue an apportioned  
27 registration plate to the commercial vehicle. The department shall promulgate

1 administrative regulations in accordance with this section.

2 (14) Any person seeking to obtain a special license plate for an automobile that has been  
3 provided to him pursuant to an occupation shall meet both of the following  
4 requirements:

5 (a) The automobile shall be provided for the full-time exclusive use of the  
6 applicant; and

7 (b) The applicant shall obtain permission in writing from the vehicle owner or  
8 lessee on a form provided by the cabinet to use the vehicle and for the vehicle  
9 to bear the special license plate.

10 (15) An applicant for any motor vehicle registration issued pursuant to this section shall  
11 have the opportunity to make a donation of two dollars (\$2) to promote a hunger  
12 relief program through specific wildlife management and conservation efforts by the  
13 Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources in accordance with KRS 150.015. If an  
14 applicant elects to make a contribution under this subsection, the two dollar (\$2)  
15 donation shall be added to the regular fee for any motor vehicle registration issued  
16 pursuant to this section. One (1) donation may be made per issuance of each  
17 registration. The fee shall be paid to the county clerk and shall be transmitted by the  
18 State Treasurer to the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to be used  
19 exclusively for the purpose of wildlife management and conservation activities in  
20 support of hunger relief. The county clerk may retain up to five percent (5%) of the  
21 fees collected under this subsection for administrative costs associated with the  
22 collection of this donation. Any donation requested under this subsection shall be  
23 voluntary and may be refused by the applicant at the time of issuance or renewal of  
24 a license plate.

25 **(16) In addition to the registration fees outlined in this section, any owner of a hybrid**  
26 **vehicle model year 2019 or newer, a hybrid plug-in vehicle, or a non-hybrid**  
27 **electric vehicle, shall, at the time of registration, be subject to the fees established**

1        *in Section 1 of this Act.*

2        ➔Section 4. KRS 138.220 is amended to read as follows:

- 3        (1) (a) An excise tax at the rate of nine percent (9%) of the average wholesale price  
4                rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one cent (\$0.001) shall be paid on all  
5                gasoline and special fuel received in this state. The tax shall be paid on a per  
6                gallon basis.
- 7                (b) The average wholesale price shall be determined and adjusted as provided in  
8                KRS 138.228.
- 9                (c) For the purposes of the allocations in KRS 177.320(1) and (2) and 177.365,  
10               the amount calculated under this subsection shall be reduced by the amount  
11               calculated in subsection (3) of this section.
- 12               (d) Except as provided by KRS Chapter 138, no other excise or license tax shall  
13               be levied or assessed on gasoline or special fuel by the state or any political  
14               subdivision of the state.
- 15               (e) The tax herein imposed shall be paid by the dealer receiving the gasoline or  
16               special fuel to the State Treasurer in the manner and within the time specified  
17               in KRS 138.230 to 138.340 and all such tax may be added to the selling price  
18               charged by the dealer or other person paying the tax on gasoline or special fuel  
19               sold in this state.
- 20               (f) Nothing herein contained shall authorize or require the collection of the tax  
21               upon any gasoline or special fuel after it has been once taxed under the  
22               provisions of this section, unless such tax was refunded or credited.
- 23        (2) (a) In addition to the excise tax provided in subsection (1) of this section, there is  
24               hereby levied a supplemental highway user motor fuel tax to be paid in the  
25               same manner and at the same time as the tax provided in subsection (1) of this  
26               section.
- 27               (b) The tax shall be:



1           1. Five cents (\$0.05) per gallon on gasoline; and

2           2. Two cents (\$0.02) per gallon on special fuel.

3           (c) The supplemental highway user motor fuel tax provided by this subsection  
4           and the provisions of subsections (1) and (3) of this section shall constitute the  
5           tax on motor fuels imposed by KRS 138.220.

6           (3) Two and one-tenth cents (\$0.021), of the tax collected under subsection (1) of this  
7           section shall be excluded from the calculations in KRS 177.320(1) and (2) and  
8           177.365. The funds identified in this subsection shall be deposited into the state  
9           road fund.

10          (4) (a) Notification of the average wholesale price shall be given to all licensed  
11           dealers; and

12          (b) Notification of the fees established in Section 1 of this Act shall be given to  
13           all county clerks;

14          at least twenty (20) days in advance of the first day of each fiscal year~~calendar~~  
15          ~~quarter~~.

16          (5) Dealers with a tax-paid gasoline or special fuel inventory at the time an average  
17          wholesale price becomes effective, shall be subject to additional tax or appropriate  
18          tax credit to reflect the increase or decrease in the average wholesale price for the  
19          new quarter. The department shall promulgate administrative regulations to  
20          properly administer this provision.

21          ➔Section 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 2019.