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**State of Illinois**  
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**SB1475**

Introduced 2/23/2005, by Sen. Bill Brady

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

|                  |                             |
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| 625 ILCS 5/3-803 | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-803 |
| 625 ILCS 5/3-815 | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-815 |
| 625 ILCS 5/3-819 | from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-819 |

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that registration plates for farm trucks and trailers may, at the vehicle owner's option, be issued for periods of 4 months, rather than one year. Provides that the Secretary of State shall provide by rule for the issuance and display of distinctive decals for each of the 4-month periods of the year. Provides that the owner of a truck or trailer registered under these provisions must affix the proper decal to the truck or trailer's registration plate in the manner prescribed by the Secretary. Effective January 1, 2006.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT in relation to vehicles.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 3-803, 3-815, and 3-819 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-803) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-803)

7 Sec. 3-803. Reductions.

8 (a) Reduction of fees and taxes prescribed in this Chapter  
9 shall be applicable only to vehicles newly-acquired by the  
10 owner after the beginning of a registration period or which  
11 become subject to registration after the beginning of a  
12 registration period as specified in this Act. The Secretary of  
13 State may deny a reduction as to any vehicle operated in this  
14 State without being properly and timely registered in Illinois  
15 under this Chapter, of a vehicle in violation of any provision  
16 of this Chapter, or upon detection of such violation by an  
17 audit, or upon determining that such vehicle was operated in  
18 Illinois before such violation. Bond or other security in the  
19 proper amount may be required by the Secretary of State while  
20 the matter is under investigation. Reductions shall be granted  
21 if a person becomes the owner after the dates specified or if a  
22 vehicle becomes subject to registration under this Act, as  
23 amended, after the dates specified.

24 (b) Vehicles of the First Division. The annual fees and  
25 taxes prescribed by Section 3-806 shall be reduced by 50% on  
26 and after June 15, except as provided in Sections 3-414 and  
27 3-802 of this Act.

28 (c) Vehicles of the Second Division. The annual fees and  
29 taxes prescribed by Sections 3-402, 3-402.1, 3-815 and 3-819  
30 and paid on a calendar year for such vehicles shall be reduced  
31 on a quarterly basis if the vehicle becomes subject to  
32 registration on and after March 31, June 30 or September 30.

1 Where such fees and taxes are payable on a fiscal year basis,  
2 they shall be reduced on a quarterly basis on and after  
3 September 30, December 31 or March 31.

4 (d) Two-year Registrations. The fees and taxes prescribed  
5 by Section 3-808 for 2-year registrations shall not be reduced  
6 in any event. However, the fees and taxes prescribed for all  
7 other 2-year registrations by this Act, shall be reduced as  
8 follows:

9 By 25% on and after June 15;

10 By 50% on and after December 15;

11 By 75% on and after the next ensuing June 15.

12 (e) The registration fees and taxes imposed upon certain  
13 vehicles shall not be reduced by any amount in any event in the  
14 following instances:

15 Permits under Sections 3-403 and 3-811;

16 Municipal Buses under Section 3-807;

17 Governmental or charitable vehicles under Section 3-808;

18 Farm Machinery under Section 3-809;

19 Soil and conservation equipment under Section 3-809.1;

20 Special Plates under Section 3-810;

21 Permanently mounted equipment under Section 3-812;

22 Registration fee under Section 3-813;

23 Semitrailer fees under Section 3-814;

24 ~~Farm trucks under Section 3-815;~~

25 Mileage weight tax option under Section 3-818;

26 ~~Farm trailers under Section 3-819;~~

27 Duplicate plates under Section 3-820;

28 Fees under Section 3-821;

29 Security Fees under Section 3-822;

30 Search Fees under Section 3-823.

31 (f) The reductions provided for shall not apply to any  
32 vehicle of the first or second division registered by the same  
33 applicant in the prior registration year.

34 The changes to this Section made by Public Act 84-210 take  
35 ~~This bill takes~~ effect with the 1986 Calendar Registration  
36 Year.

1 (g) Reductions shall in no event result in payment of a fee  
 2 or tax less than \$6, and the Secretary of State shall  
 3 promulgate schedules of fees reflecting applicable reductions.  
 4 Where any reduced amount is not stated in full dollars, the  
 5 Secretary of State may adjust the amount due to the nearest  
 6 full dollar amount.

7 (h) The reductions provided for in subsections (a) through  
 8 (g) of this Section shall not apply to those vehicles of the  
 9 first or second division registered on a staggered registration  
 10 basis.

11 (i) A vehicle which becomes subject to registration during  
 12 the last month of the current registration year is exempt from  
 13 any applicable reduced fourth quarter or second semiannual  
 14 registration fee, and may register for the subsequent  
 15 registration year as its initial registration. This subsection  
 16 does not include those apportioned and prorated fees under  
 17 Sections 3-402 and 3-402.1 of this Code.

18 (Source: P.A. 84-1311; revised 2-25-02.)

19 (625 ILCS 5/3-815) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-815)  
 20 Sec. 3-815. Flat weight tax; vehicles of the second  
 21 division.

22 (a) Except as provided in Section 3-806.3, every owner of a  
 23 vehicle of the second division registered under Section 3-813,  
 24 and not registered under the mileage weight tax under Section  
 25 3-818, shall pay to the Secretary of State, for each  
 26 registration year, for the use of the public highways, a flat  
 27 weight tax at the rates set forth in the following table, the  
 28 rates including the \$10 registration fee:

29 SCHEDULE OF FLAT WEIGHT TAX

30 REQUIRED BY LAW

| Gross Weight in Lbs. |       | Total Fees  |
|----------------------|-------|-------------|
| Including Vehicle    |       | each Fiscal |
| and Maximum          |       | year        |
| Load                 | Class |             |
| 8,000 lbs. and less  | B     | \$78        |

|    |                            |   |       |
|----|----------------------------|---|-------|
| 1  | 8,001 lbs. to 12,000 lbs.  | D | 138   |
| 2  | 12,001 lbs. to 16,000 lbs. | F | 242   |
| 3  | 16,001 lbs. to 26,000 lbs. | H | 490   |
| 4  | 26,001 lbs. to 28,000 lbs. | J | 630   |
| 5  | 28,001 lbs. to 32,000 lbs. | K | 842   |
| 6  | 32,001 lbs. to 36,000 lbs. | L | 982   |
| 7  | 36,001 lbs. to 40,000 lbs. | N | 1,202 |
| 8  | 40,001 lbs. to 45,000 lbs. | P | 1,390 |
| 9  | 45,001 lbs. to 50,000 lbs. | Q | 1,538 |
| 10 | 50,001 lbs. to 54,999 lbs. | R | 1,698 |
| 11 | 55,000 lbs. to 59,500 lbs. | S | 1,830 |
| 12 | 59,501 lbs. to 64,000 lbs. | T | 1,970 |
| 13 | 64,001 lbs. to 73,280 lbs. | V | 2,294 |
| 14 | 73,281 lbs. to 77,000 lbs. | X | 2,622 |
| 15 | 77,001 lbs. to 80,000 lbs. | Z | 2,790 |

16 (a-1) A Special Hauling Vehicle is a vehicle or combination  
 17 of vehicles of the second division registered under Section  
 18 3-813 transporting asphalt or concrete in the plastic state or  
 19 a vehicle or combination of vehicles that are subject to the  
 20 gross weight limitations in subsection (b) of Section 15-111  
 21 for which the owner of the vehicle or combination of vehicles  
 22 has elected to pay, in addition to the registration fee in  
 23 subsection (a), \$125 to the Secretary of State for each  
 24 registration year. The Secretary shall designate this class of  
 25 vehicle as a Special Hauling Vehicle.

26 (b) Except as provided in Section 3-806.3, every camping  
 27 trailer, motor home, mini motor home, travel trailer, truck  
 28 camper or van camper used primarily for recreational purposes,  
 29 and not used commercially, nor for hire, nor owned by a  
 30 commercial business, may be registered for each registration  
 31 year upon the filing of a proper application and the payment of  
 32 a registration fee and highway use tax, according to the  
 33 following table of fees:

34 MOTOR HOME, MINI MOTOR HOME, TRUCK CAMPER OR VAN CAMPER

|    |                       |            |
|----|-----------------------|------------|
| 35 | Gross Weight in Lbs.  | Total Fees |
| 36 | Including Vehicle and | Each       |

|   |                          |               |
|---|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Maximum Load             | Calendar Year |
| 2 | 8,000 lbs and less       | \$78          |
| 3 | 8,001 Lbs. to 10,000 Lbs | 90            |
| 4 | 10,001 Lbs. and Over     | 102           |

CAMPING TRAILER OR TRAVEL TRAILER

|    |                           |               |
|----|---------------------------|---------------|
| 6  | Gross Weight in Lbs.      | Total Fees    |
| 7  | Including Vehicle and     | Each          |
| 8  | Maximum Load              | Calendar Year |
| 9  | 3,000 Lbs. and Less       | \$18          |
| 10 | 3,001 Lbs. to 8,000 Lbs.  | 30            |
| 11 | 8,001 Lbs. to 10,000 Lbs. | 38            |
| 12 | 10,001 Lbs. and Over      | 50            |

Every house trailer must be registered under Section 3-819.

(c) Farm Truck. Any truck used exclusively for the owner's own agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising operations and not-for-hire only, or any truck used only in the transportation for-hire of seasonal, fresh, perishable fruit or vegetables from farm to the point of first processing, may be registered by the owner under this paragraph in lieu of registration under paragraph (a), upon filing of a proper application and the payment of the \$10 registration fee and the highway use tax herein specified as follows:

SCHEDULE OF FEES AND TAXES

|    |                       |       |                  |
|----|-----------------------|-------|------------------|
| 24 | Gross Weight in Lbs.  |       | Total Amount for |
| 25 | Including Truck and   |       | each             |
| 26 | Maximum Load          | Class | Fiscal Year      |
| 27 | 16,000 lbs. or less   | VF    | \$150            |
| 28 | 16,001 to 20,000 lbs. | VG    | 226              |
| 29 | 20,001 to 24,000 lbs. | VH    | 290              |
| 30 | 24,001 to 28,000 lbs. | VJ    | 378              |
| 31 | 28,001 to 32,000 lbs. | VK    | 506              |
| 32 | 32,001 to 36,000 lbs. | VL    | 610              |
| 33 | 36,001 to 45,000 lbs. | VP    | 810              |
| 34 | 45,001 to 54,999 lbs. | VR    | 1,026            |
| 35 | 55,000 to 64,000 lbs. | VT    | 1,202            |
| 36 | 64,001 to 73,280 lbs. | VV    | 1,290            |

|   |                       |    |       |
|---|-----------------------|----|-------|
| 1 | 73,281 to 77,000 lbs. | VX | 1,350 |
| 2 | 77,001 to 80,000 lbs. | VZ | 1,490 |

3 In the event the Secretary of State revokes a farm truck  
4 registration as authorized by law, the owner shall pay the flat  
5 weight tax due hereunder before operating such truck.

6 Any combination of vehicles having 5 axles, with a distance  
7 of 42 feet or less between extreme axles, that are subject to  
8 the weight limitations in subsection (a) and (b) of Section  
9 15-111 for which the owner of the combination of vehicles has  
10 elected to pay, in addition to the registration fee in  
11 subsection (c), \$125 to the Secretary of State for each  
12 registration year shall be designated by the Secretary as a  
13 Special Hauling Vehicle.

14 (c-1) A farm truck eligible for yearly registration under  
15 subsection (c) may, at the owner's option, instead be  
16 registered under this subsection (c-1) for a period of 4  
17 months, at a cost of one-third of the applicable yearly  
18 registration fee. The Secretary shall provide by rule for the  
19 issuance and display of distinctive decals for each of the  
20 4-month periods of the year: July through October, November  
21 through February and March through June. The owner of a truck  
22 registered under this subsection (c-1) must affix to the  
23 truck's rear registration plate, in the manner prescribed by  
24 the Secretary, the proper decal for the 4-month period during  
25 which the vehicle is operated. A farm truck registered under  
26 this subsection (c-1) may not be registered for more than 2  
27 4-month periods in a registration year.

28 (d) The number of axles necessary to carry the maximum load  
29 provided shall be determined from Chapter 15 of this Code.

30 (e) An owner may only apply for and receive 5 farm truck  
31 registrations, and only 2 of those 5 vehicles shall exceed  
32 59,500 gross weight in pounds per vehicle.

33 (f) Every person convicted of violating this Section by  
34 failure to pay the appropriate flat weight tax to the Secretary  
35 of State as set forth in the above tables shall be punished as  
36 provided for in Section 3-401.

1 (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99.)

2 (625 ILCS 5/3-819) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-819)

3 Sec. 3-819. Trailer; Flat weight tax.

4 (a) Farm Trailer. Any farm trailer drawn by a motor vehicle  
5 of the second division registered under paragraph (a) or (c) of  
6 Section 3-815 and used exclusively by the owner for his own  
7 agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising operations  
8 and not used for hire, or any farm trailer utilized only in the  
9 transportation for-hire of seasonal, fresh, perishable fruit  
10 or vegetables from farm to the point of first processing, and  
11 any trailer used with a farm tractor that is not an implement  
12 of husbandry may be registered under this paragraph in lieu of  
13 registration under paragraph (b) of this Section upon the  
14 filing of a proper application and the payment of the \$10  
15 registration fee and the highway use tax herein for use of the  
16 public highways of this State, at the following rates which  
17 include the \$10 registration fee:

18 SCHEDULE OF FEES AND TAXES

| 19 Gross Weight in Lbs.  | 20 Class | 21 Total Amount |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| 22 Including Vehicle     | 23 each  | 24 Fiscal Year  |
| 25 and Maximum Load      | 26       | 27              |
| 28 10,000 lbs. or less   | 29 VDD   | 30 \$60         |
| 31 10,001 to 14,000 lbs. | 32 VDE   | 33 106          |
| 34 14,001 to 20,000 lbs. | 35 VDG   | 36 166          |
| 37 20,001 to 28,000 lbs. | 38 VDJ   | 39 378          |
| 40 28,001 to 36,000 lbs. | 41 VDL   | 42 650          |

27 An owner may only apply for and receive two farm trailer  
28 registrations.

29 (a-1) A farm trailer eligible for yearly registration under  
30 subsection (a) may, at the owner's option, instead be  
31 registered under this subsection (a-1) for a period of 4  
32 months, at a cost of one-third of the applicable yearly  
33 registration fee. The Secretary shall provide my rule for the  
34 issuance and display of distinctive decals for each of the  
35 4-month periods of the year: July through October, November



1 through February and March through June. The owner of a trailer  
 2 registered under this subsection (a-1) must affix to the  
 3 trailer's registration plate, in the manner prescribed by the  
 4 Secretary, the proper decal for the 4-month period during which  
 5 the trailer is used. A farm trailer registered under this  
 6 subsection (a-1) may not be registered for more than 2 4-month  
 7 periods in a registration year.

8 (b) All other owners of trailers, other than apportionable  
 9 trailers registered under Section 3-402.1 of this Code, used  
 10 with a motor vehicle on the public highways, shall pay to the  
 11 Secretary of State for each registration year a flat weight  
 12 tax, for the use of the public highways of this State, at the  
 13 following rates (which includes the registration fee of \$10  
 14 required by Section 3-813):

15 SCHEDULE OF TRAILER FLAT  
 16 WEIGHT TAX REQUIRED  
 17 BY LAW

| 18 Gross Weight in Lbs.                 |       | Total Fees  |
|---|-------|-------------|
| 19 Including Vehicle and                |       | each        |
| 20 Maximum Load                         | Class | Fiscal Year |
| 21 3,000 lbs. and less                  | TA    | \$18        |
| 22 5,000 lbs. and more than 3,000       | TB    | 54          |
| 23 8,000 lbs. and more than 5,000       | TC    | 58          |
| 24 10,000 lbs. and more than 8,000      | TD    | 106         |
| 25 14,000 lbs. and more than 10,000     | TE    | 170         |
| 26 20,000 lbs. and and more than 14,000 | TG    | 258         |
| 27 32,000 lbs. and more than 20,000     | TK    | 722         |
| 28 36,000 lbs. and more than 32,000     | TL    | 1,082       |
| 29 40,000 lbs. and more than 36,000     | TN    | 1,502       |

30 (c) The number of axles necessary to carry the maximum load  
 31 provided shall be determined from Chapter 15 of this Code.  
 32 (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99 .)

33 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
 34 1, 2006.