

THE THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF AMERICAN SAMOA

Second Regular Session

Begun and held at Fagatogo, Tutuila, American Samoa
on Monday, the tenth day of July
two thousand and seventeen

AN ACT AMENDING THE REGISTRATIONS OF VEHICLES TO ANNUALLY
REQUIRE FEES BASED ON WEIGHT; AMENDING SECTION 22.1002 A.S.C.A.

Preamble:

WHEREAS, weight was added to registration fees in 1980; and

WHEREAS, fees based on weight are levied in over 13 states; and

WHEREAS, due to increase use of the roads, inflation, costs to run the government, and
the cost to repair roads, these fees must be updated; and

WHEREAS, heavier motor vehicles place more wear and tear on our roads; and

WHEREAS, road repairs and construction come at a huge cost and these fees will help
cover a portion of those expenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF AMERICAN SAMOA:

Section 1. 22.1002 is amended to read:

“22.1002 Application for and issuance of license—Fees.

**(a) Application for a motor vehicle license shall be made to the
Commissioner on forms as the Commissioner may prescribe.**

(b) No motor vehicle license may be issued without:

(1) payment of the prescribed motor vehicle license fee;

**(2) presentation of a valid inspection certificate issued pursuant to 22.1201 et
seq.;**

**(3) certification of insurance coverage as required by 22.2001 et seq.,
provided that such coverage will be effective for the period of the license;**

(4) issuance of a valid motor vehicle registration.

**(c) Upon satisfactory compliance with the provisions of this section the
Commissioner shall issue 2 decals to the applicant which decals denominate the
period for which registration is effective and are to be placed on the license tags.**

(d) The following vehicle license registration fees are established:

(1) motor vehicle, including private vehicles, cargo vehicles, buses, motorcycles, taxis, trailers, tractors and rentals, \$32.00; plus per ton of weight, or fraction thereof, \$12.00;

(2) bicycle, \$2.00;

(3) renewal for motor vehicle, \$32.00; plus per ton of weight, or fraction thereof, \$12.00;

(4) Legal Ownership Certificates and Titles, \$10.00;

(5) Transfers, \$10.00;

(6) Shipments, \$10.00;

(7) Conversions, \$12.00;

(8) Duplicate titles, \$10.00;

(9) Late penalties, \$9.00.

(e) For the purposes of subsection (d), the definitions in 22.0101 apply.

(f) The Commissioner shall issue 2 license tags to each applicant:

(1) registering a vehicle not registered in the Territory in the preceding 5 years; or

(2) whose tags have been lost or stolen, upon proof of same. The fee for replacing lost or stolen tags or plates shall be \$22.00.

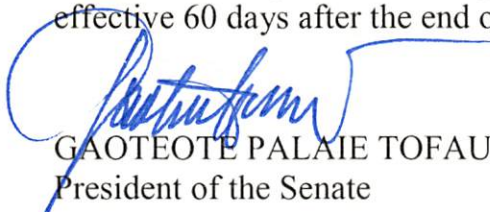
(g) For purposes of this section only, a total of \$7.00 from each fee paid shall be placed in a revenue fund for the Department of Public Safety for law enforcement costs and maintenance and supplies for production of driver licenses and vehicle registrations.

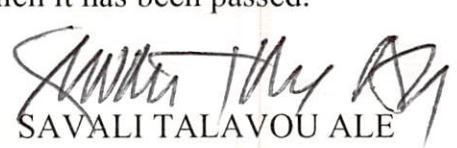
(h) Half (50%) of tonnage fees collected under A.S.C.A. 22.1002(d)(1)(3) shall be placed in a road maintenance fund to be used for road repair.

(i) The remaining amount of fees collected under this section shall be deposited into the general fund and shall be available for appropriation by the Legislature."


Sec 2. Effective date.

In accordance with Article II, Section 19 of the Revised Constitution of American Samoa and subject to the implementation dates set out above, this bill shall become effective 60 days after the end of the session at which it has been passed.


GAOTEOTE PALAIE TOFAU
President of the Senate


SAVALI TALAVOU ALE
Speaker, House of Representatives

Hereby Approved this 2nd day of October, 2017


Governor Of American Samoa

NOFOAIGA TOLUSEFULU-LIMA FONOFAITULAFONO AMERIKA SAMOA

Fono Tele Lona Lua

Nofioia ma usua i Fagatogo, Tutuila, Amerika Samoa
Aso Gafua, aso sefulu o Iulai
Lua afe sefulufitu

O SE TULAFONO E SUIA AI LE LESITALAINA O TAAVALE INA IA MANAOMIA I TAUSAGA UMA SE TOTOGI E FAAVAE I LUGA O LE MAMAFI; SUIA AI MAGA 22.1002 T.T.A.S.

Faatomuaga:

TALUAI, o le 1980 sa faaopoopo ai le mamafa o le taavale i le totogi o le lesitala; ma

TALUAI, o totogi e faavae i luga o le mamafa e faia lea i le silia i le 13 setete; ma

TALUAI, le faaopoopo pea o le fa'aaogaina o auala, o le siitaga o le tau o le soifuaga, o le tau o le faagaioia o le malo, ma le tau o le faalelea o auala, ua alagata ai le toe faafou o totogi nei; ma

TALUAI, o taavale mamafa e tele atu le afaina ma leaga vave ai auala; ma

TALUAI, e matua taugata tele le faalelea ma le fausia o auala, ma o tupe nei o le a fesoasoani e totogi ai se vaega o nei galuega.

IA FAATULAFONOINA E LE FONOFAITULAFONO O AMERIKA SAMOA:

Maga 1. 22.1002 ua suia e faitauina:

“22.1002 Talosaga ma le tuuina mai o laisene—Totogi

(a) O talosaga mo se laisene o se taavale e faia lea i le Komesina i pepa ua uma ona saunia e tusa ai ma le faatonuga mai le Komesina.

(e) E leai se laisene taavale e mafai ona tuuina atu e aunoa ma mea nei:

(1) totogi o le laisene taavale e pei ona faatonuina;

(2) tuuina atu o se tusi o le asiasiga o le taavale, e tuuina mai e tusa ai ma le 22.1201 ma isi maga e mulimuli ai;

(3) pepa o le inisiua e pei ona manaomia e le 22.2001 ma isi e mulimuli ane ai, pe afai o le inisiua lea e aofia ai le vaitaimi o le laisene;

(4) tuuina mai o le lesitala o le taavale ua uma ona fai.

(i) A faamalieina le usita'ia o aiaiga o lenei maga ona tuuina mai lea e le Komesina o tamai fasipepa se lua e faapipii i luga o le 'apa o le laisene e ta'u mai ai aso e taualoa ai le laisene.

(o) O totogi la nei o le lesitalaina o taavale ua faavaeina:

(1) o taavale, e aofia ai ma taavale a le tagata lava ia, o taavale la'uuta, pasi, uilaafi, tamaitaavale la'upasese, masini ma taavale totogi, \$32; faaopoopo i ai ma le totogi o le mamafa, o le tone e tasi, poo se vaega o le tone, e \$12.00;

(2) uila vilivae, \$2.00;

(3) faafouina o le taavale, \$32.00; faaopoopo i ai ma le totogi o le mamafa, o le tone e tasi, poo se vaega o le tone, e \$12.00;

(4) Tusi o le ana ia o le Taavale ma igoa o alu ai, \$10.00;

(5) Fesuia'ia, \$10.00;

(6) Fela'ua'ia i vaa, \$10.00;

(7) Faaliliuga, \$12.00;

(8) Toalua o tagata e ana ia le taavale, \$10.00;

(9) Sala o le tuai, \$9.00.

(u) Mo mafuaaga o le soamaga (o), e fa'aaoga faauigaga i le 22.0101.

(f) E tailua laisene e tuuina mai i tagata taitoatasi e talosaga:

(1) o le lesitalaina o se taavale e le o lesitalaina i le Teritori i tausaga e 5 ua mavae; poo

(2) le ua leiloa poo ua gaioia ana laisene, pe afai ua faamaonia o le mea lea ua tupu. O le totogi o le toe faia o laisene o taavale ua leiloa e \$22.00.

(g) Mo mafuaaga o lenei lava maga, e \$7.00 o tupe uma e totogi o le a tuuina i se tupe mo le Matagaluega o le Saogalemu Lautele mo le faamalosia o le tulafono ma meniteni ma mea e fa'aaoga mo le faia o laisene avetaavale ma le lesitalaina o taavale.

(l) O le 'afa (50%) o tupe totogi mo le mamafa o taavale e aoina i lalo o le 22.1002(o)(1)(3) o le a tuuina i le tupe mo le tausia lelei o auala e fa'aaoga mo le faaleleia o auala.

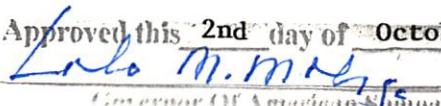
(m) O le tupe totoe mai tupe aoina i lalo o lenei maga o le a teuina i totonu o le teugatupe tele a le Malo ma fa'aavanoaina ai mo le fa'asoasoina e le Fono Faitulafono."

Maga 2. Aso e taualoa ai

Ina ia tusa ai ma le Vaega II, Maga 19 ole Faavae Toe Tetuteu o Amerika Samoa ma aso e faagaoioia ai e pei ona ta'ua i luga, o le a taualoa ai lenei pili i totonu o le 60 aso talu ona mae'a le tauaofiaga sa pasia ai.


GAOTEOTE PALAIE TOFAU
Peresetene, Maota Maualuga


SAVALI TALAVOU ALE
Fofoga Fetalai, Maota o Sui

Hereby Approved this 2nd day of October 2017

Lolo M. Mays
Governor of American Samoa