

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 524

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE SPECIAL JUNK VEHICLE DISPOSAL FEE
5 FROM 50 CENTS TO 65 CENTS; PROVIDING THAT 15 CENTS OF THE SPECIAL JUNK VEHICLE
6 DISPOSAL FEE BE USED FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF REIMBURSING THE HIRED REMOVAL OF
7 ABANDONED VEHICLES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 61-3-508 AND
8 75-10-532, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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12 **Section 1.** Section 61-3-508, MCA, is amended to read:

13 **"61-3-508. Junk vehicle disposal fee.** A special junk vehicle disposal fee must be assessed on
14 each new application for a motor vehicle title and on each transfer of a motor vehicle title in the amount
15 of \$1.50 on passenger cars and trucks under 8,001 pounds GVW. An additional special junk vehicle
16 disposal fee must be assessed in the amount of ~~50~~ 65 cents on each passenger car and truck under 8,001
17 pounds GVW registered for licensing, 15 cents of which must be used for the exclusive purpose of
18 reimbursing the hired removal of abandoned vehicles. The fees must be collected by the county treasurer.

19 However, the following are exempt from payment of the fees:

20 (1) vehicles leased or owned by the state or by a county or municipality;

21 (2) vehicles used for transportation by nonresident, migratory workers temporarily employed in
22 agricultural work in this state;

23 (3) vehicles displaying dealer's or wholesaler's plates while owned by a dealer or wholesaler; and

24 (4) housetrailers or equipment that is not self-propelled or that requires towing upon a highway
25 of this state."

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27 **Section 2.** Section 75-10-532, MCA, is amended to read:

28 **"75-10-532. Disposition of money collected.** All money received from the sale of the junk vehicles
29 or from recycling of the material and all motor vehicle wrecking facility license fees and fees collected as
30 motor vehicle disposal fees must be deposited with the state treasurer to be used for the control,

1 collection, recycling, and disposal of junk vehicles and component parts and, ~~to the extent the legislature~~
2 ~~appropriates funds expressly and solely for this purpose,~~ for the removal of abandoned vehicles."
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4 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Coordination instruction. If Senate Bill No. 168 and [this act] are both
5 passed and approved, then [section 1] of Senate Bill No. 168 is amended to read:

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7 "**61-3-508. Junk vehicle disposal fee.** A special junk vehicle disposal fee must be assessed on
8 each new application for a motor vehicle title and on each transfer of a motor vehicle title in the amount
9 of \$1.50 on passenger cars and trucks under 8,001 pounds GVW. An additional special junk vehicle
10 disposal fee must be assessed in the amount of ~~50 cents~~ \$1.15 on each passenger car and truck under
11 8,001 pounds GVW registered for licensing, 15 cents of which must be used for the exclusive purpose
12 of reimbursing the hired removal of abandoned vehicles. The fees must be collected by the county
13 treasurer. However, the following are exempt from payment of the fees:

- 14 (1) vehicles leased or owned by the state or by a county or municipality;
- 15 (2) vehicles used for transportation by nonresident, migratory workers temporarily employed in
16 agricultural work in this state;
- 17 (3) vehicles displaying dealer's or wholesaler's plates while owned by a dealer or wholesaler; and
- 18 (4) housetrailers or equipment that is not self-propelled or that requires towing upon a highway
19 of this state.""

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21 NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION. THERE IS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
22 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FROM THE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND \$128,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2002 AND \$128,000
23 IN FISCAL YEAR 2003 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REIMBURSING THE HIRED REMOVAL OF ABANDONED VEHICLES AS PROVIDED
24 IN [SECTION 1].

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26 NEW SECTION. SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. [THIS ACT] IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001.

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