



AN ACT REVISING REGISTRATION LAWS FOR MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS; ALLOWING THE MOTOR VEHICLE DIVISION TO EXTEND CERTAIN INCENTIVES TO ALL MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS WHO ARE MONTANA RESIDENTS; AMENDING SECTION 61-3-456, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**Section 1.** Section 61-3-456, MCA, is amended to read:

**"61-3-456. Registration of motor vehicle owned and operated by Montana resident on active military duty stationed outside Montana.** (1) As an incentive for military service, an owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer who is a Montana resident ~~who entered active military duty from Montana,~~ including a national guard or reserve member, and who is stationed outside Montana may file with the department an application for the registration of the motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer. The application must be sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths. The application must state:

(a) the name and address of the owner;

(b) the make, the gross weight, the year and number of the model, and the manufacturer's identification number and serial number of the motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer; and

(c) that the motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer is owned and operated by a Montana resident who meets the qualifications of subsection (1) and is on active military duty and stationed outside Montana.

(2) The registration fee for a motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer registered under subsection (1) is as provided in 61-3-321.

(3) A motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer registered under this section is not subject to:

(a) the taxes or fees described in 61-3-303(6);

- (b) the fee in lieu of tax under 61-3-529 or the registration fee under 61-3-321(2) or 61-3-562; or
- (c) any of the fees provided in part 5 of this chapter."

**Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 224, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

HOUSE BILL NO. 224

INTRODUCED BY D. HARVEY

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