THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2418 Session of 2008

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AN ACT

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated 2 Statutes, further providing for application for certificate 3 of title; and providing for licensing cost for document 4 preparation. 5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 6 7 Section 1. Section 1103.1 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read: § 1103.1. Application for certificate of title. 10

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11 (d.2) Licensing cost.--A licensed dealer contracted as an

12 issuing agent with the department may charge to the purchaser of

13 <u>a vehicle</u>, including a vehicle that the purchaser will title and

14 register outside of this Commonwealth, a licensing cost for

15 document preparation in accordance with section 1962 (relating

16 to licensing cost for document preparation) for the following:

17 (1) The actual cost to the dealer of the fees associated

18 with titling and registering the vehicle, including messenger

- 1 fees, notary fees and electronic transaction fees.
- 2 (2) Document preparation as a licensing cost permissible
- 3 pursuant to this title or the act of December 17, 1968
- 4 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and
- 5 Consumer Protection Law, and any regulations promulgated
- 6 under that act, which includes the preparation, completion,
- 7 collection and submission of any documents and fees
- 8 prescribed in this title, taxes payable by the purchaser and
- 9 any other information associated with the titling and
- 10 <u>registering of a vehicle.</u>
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- 12 Section 2. Title 75 is amended by adding a section to read:
- 13 § 1962. Licensing cost for document preparation.
- 14 (a) Licensing cost for electronic document preparation. -- A
- 15 <u>dealer which provides electronic transaction services may impose</u>
- 16 <u>a maximum charge of \$120 for document preparation services</u>
- 17 provided under section 1103.1(d.2)(2) (relating to application
- 18 for certificate of title).
- 19 (b) Licensing cost for nonelectronic document preparation.--
- 20 A dealer which does not provide electronic transaction services
- 21 <u>may impose a maximum charge of \$100 for document preparation</u>
- 22 services provided under section 1103.1(d.2)(2).
- 23 (c) Adjustment of licensing cost for document preparation. --
- 24 The licensing cost for electronic and nonelectronic document
- 25 preparation shall be adjusted annually, on a cumulative basis,
- 26 beginning with calendar year 2010, in accordance with the
- 27 Federal Consumer Price Index, calculated based on the previous
- 28 <u>calendar year and effective upon the announcement by the United</u>
- 29 States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics or any
- 30 successor agency that makes the annual announcement. Any

- adjustment which is less than 50¢ shall be rounded down to the 1
- 2 next lowest dollar amount, and any adjustment which is 50c or
- 3 greater shall be rounded up to the next highest dollar amount.
- 4 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.