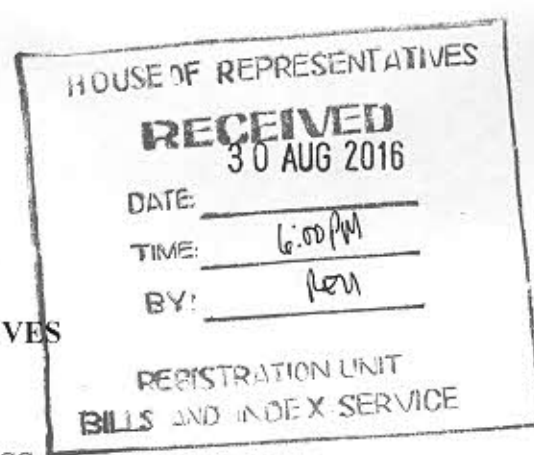


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Constitution, Article II, Section 16 provides:

“Section 16. The State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.”

High fuel consumption automobiles or motor vehicles manufactured before the year 2003 take a considerable toll on the country's fuel supply and cause damage to the environment through greenhouse gas and other noxious gas emissions which are higher than green, fuel-efficient automobiles.

Older model automobiles compared to newly manufactured ones consume more gas.

In this regard, it is encouraged that as far as practicable, older model vehicles (those with model year before 2003) be replaced or if the owner's finances does not permit their replacement or the purchase of a new one, said older model vehicle, be properly maintained and registered following the regulations of the Land Transportation Office.

This bill seeks to regulate the registration of older model vehicles and apply higher fees charged therefor towards clean air projects implemented by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.



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AN ACT REGULATING THE REGISTRATION OF OLDER MODEL MOTOR VEHICLES, PROVIDING CERTAIN CONDITIONS, CHARGES AND FEES THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress assembled:

Section 1. Short Title.- This Act shall be known as the “**GREEN VEHICLES ACT OF 2016**”.

Section 2. Declaration of Policy.- It is hereby declared the policy of the State:

- (a) To protect and advance the right of the people to a balance and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;
- (b) To conserve fuel and minimize the dependence on foreign oil;
- (c) To reduce greenhouse and other noxious substances in the atmosphere.

Section 3. Definitions.-

- (a) “**Motor vehicle**”- any four-wheeled vehicle that is propelled by fuel, or by alternative fuel manufactured primarily for use on public streets, roads and highways and rated at less than 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight except-
 - (1) a vehicle operated only on a rail line;
 - (2) a vehicle operated in different stages by two or more manufacturers, if no intermediate or final-stage manufacturer of that vehicle manufactures more than 10,000 multi-stage vehicles per year; or
 - (3) a work truck.
- (b) “**Certificate of registration**”-means a government issued document showing ownership of an automobile.

- (c) **"Department"**- means the Department of Energy.
- (d) **"LTO"**- refers to the Land Transportation Office
- (e) **"Fuel efficient automobile"**- means an automobile manufactured for any model year 2003 onwards that qualifies as fuel efficient in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Energy.
- (f) **"High fuel consumption automobile"**-means an automobile for any model year before 2003 for which the originally certified measured fuel economy level is less than eighteen (18) miles per gallon.
- (g) **"Measured fuel economy level"**- means the fuel economy level of a new automobile model measured in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Secretary of Energy.
- (h) **"New motor vehicle"**- means an automobile for which a manufacturer, distributor or dealer, has never transferred the equitable or legal title to such automobile to an ultimate purchaser.
- (i) **"Registered owner"**- means, with respect to an automobile, the person whose name appears on the current Certificate of Registration for such automobile.

Section 4. Responsibility of the owner or prospective buyer of a motor vehicle.- No motor vehicle manufactured before 2003 may be registered unless the owner or buyer agrees to the payment of appropriate fees and charges.

Section 5. Role of the Land Transportation Office.- The Land Transportation Office shall regulate the registration of motor vehicles manufactured before 2003 by charging the renewal fee of FOUR HUNDRED PESOS (P400.00) and an additional fee equivalent to another FOUR HUNDRED PESOS (P400.00) for motor vehicles with year model lower than 2003.

Section 6. Fees and Charges.- refers to the fees for the registration of motor vehicles in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED PESOS (P400.00); and additional fees equivalent to another FOUR HUNDRED PESOS (P400.00) charged against vehicles with year model before 2003. Said fees will be consolidated and applied towards the Road Board and its' air pollution control programs under Section 7 of RA 8794 or the Clean Air Act of 1999.

Section 7. Repealing Clause.- All laws, executive orders, presidential decrees, memoranda, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Separability Clause.-If any part or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Effectivity.- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,