

ORDINANCE NO. 2076

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain sections 22-238 and 22-243 of Article XI of Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963; which Chapter 22 relates to MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, which Article XI relates to LICENSE TAXES ON MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS AND SEMI-TRAILERS, which section 22-238 relates to TAX ON VEHICLES USED FOR TRANSPORTATION OF PASSENGERS-SCHEDULE, and which section 22-243 relates to TRANSFER OF PLATES AND REPLACEMENT OF WINDSHIELD TAG.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 22-238 of Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-238. Tax on vehicles used for transportation of passengers - Schedule.

For the 1976 license year and each license year thereafter the annual license tax on motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers designed and used for the transportation of passengers shall be as follows:

- (1) Twenty dollars for a passenger car, if such passenger car is not used for the transportation of passengers for compensation and is not kept or used for rent or for hire or is not operated under a lease without a chauffeur.
 - (2) Thirty cents per one hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof for a private motor vehicle other than a motorcycle with a normal seating capacity of more than ten adult persons, including the driver, if such private motor vehicle is not used for the transportation of passengers for compensation and is not kept or used for rent or for hire or is not operated under a lease without chauffeur; provided, that in no case shall the fee be less than twenty dollars.
 - (3) Thirty cents per hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof for a private school bus; provided, that in no case shall the fee be less than twenty dollars.
 - (4) Twelve dollars and fifty cents for a trailer or semitrailer designed for use as living quarters for human beings.
 - (5) Five dollars in addition to eighty cents per hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof for each motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer kept or used for rent or for hire or operated under a lease without chauffeur for the transportation of passengers, provided that the annual license tax on passenger vehicles rented or leased for terms of not less than twelve months, without a chauffeur, shall be five dollars in addition to fifty cents per hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof, and provided, further, that in no case shall the fee be less than twenty dollars. This subsection does not apply to vehicles used as common carriers.
 - (6) Five dollars in addition to ninety cents per hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof for a taxicab and other vehicles kept for rent or hire operated with a chauffeur for the transportation of passengers, which operates or should operate under permits issued by the state corporation commission as required by law. This subsection does not apply to vehicles used as common carriers.
 - (7) Eight dollars for a motorcycle.
 - (8) Seven dollars for a sidecar.
 - (9) Ten dollars for a bus used exclusively for transportation to and from Sunday school or church for the purpose of divine worship.
 - (10) Five dollars in addition to seventy cents per hundred pounds of weight or major fraction thereof for other passenger-carrying vehicles.
- Provided however, that in addition to the fees set forth in paragraphs (1) through (10) hereinabove, a fee of five dollars shall be imposed for the licensing of motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers exceeding four thousand pounds.

Section 2. That Section 22-243 of Article XI, Chapter 22 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

Sec. 22-243. Transfer of plates and replacement of windshield tag.

Any owner who has paid a license tax required under this article for any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer for which a license plate was issued may transfer the license plate to another motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer registered in such owner's name, provided the vehicle to which the license plate is transferred is a like vehicle and category as specified in this article and requires an identical license tax, upon application on forms furnished by the director of finance or presentation of the registration card for the motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer to which the license plate is being transferred, accompanied by a fee of one dollar, provided that if such other motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer requires a greater license tax than that for which the license plate was issued, the amount of the difference in license taxes shall also be paid.

Any owner who has paid a license tax required under this article for any motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer for which a windshield tag was issued may obtain a replacement windshield tag for use on another vehicle registered in such owner's name, upon application on forms furnished by the director of finance and presentation of the registration card for the vehicle for which the replacement windshield tag is sought and pieces of the previously issued license windshield tag as proof that it was removed from the vehicle for which the license tax was previously paid, accompanied by a fee of one dollar, provided that if such other motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer requires a greater license tax than that for which the license windshield tag was issued, the amount of the difference in license taxes shall also be paid.

Section 3. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective January 1, 1976.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

Final passage - December 23, 1975