

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1053, As Amended

BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; AMENDING SECTION 49-401B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 49-504, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 49-401B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

49-401B. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION – RECEIPT FOR FEE – RECORD OF APPLICANTS. (1) Application for the registration of a vehicle required to be registered under the provisions of section 49-401A, Idaho Code, shall be made to the assessor or the department as specified in that section, by the owner upon the appropriate form. Every application shall contain the owner’s Idaho driver’s license number, Idaho identification card number, or social security number. In the case of a business, the employer tax identification number is required. Every application shall also contain the owner’s true and full legal name. In the event that the owner does not possess a social security number, Idaho driver’s license number, or Idaho identification card number, the owner shall present written documentation sufficient to the department to determine that no social security number has been issued. Such application must be signed by the owner and contain his residence address and a brief description of the vehicle to be registered, including the name of the maker, the type of fuel used, and the identification number. Upon registration of a new vehicle, the application shall also show the date of sale by the manufacturer or dealer to the person first operating such vehicle. The application shall contain any other information as may be required by the department. The assessor shall issue to the applicant a receipt for any fee paid. Social security numbers collected shall not appear on certificates of registration, and all applications on file shall be exempt from disclosure, except as provided in sections 49-202, 49-203 and 49-203A, Idaho Code.

(2) The assessor shall record on a form prescribed and furnished by the department, the names of all owners of vehicles residing in the county who make application for registration, together with the amounts of the fees paid by such owners.

(3) When application for registration is made by any motor carrier, the assessor or the department shall require each such applicant to execute a certification of safety compliance.

(4) Vehicles registered under the proportional registration provisions of section 49-435, Idaho Code, shall be registered by the department.

(5) Every owner of a vehicle registered by a county assessor shall give his ~~principal physical domicile~~ residence ~~or domicile~~ address or the business’ physical principal address to the assessor so that the proper county can be entered upon the registration. Failure to do so shall be unlawful. The department shall then attribute the registration, and all fees to

1 be apportioned to the highway distribution account, to the county of residence regardless of
2 the county in which the registration occurred. Fees imposed under the provisions of sections
3 40-827 and 40-1416, Idaho Code, shall be separately identified and accounted for, and paid
4 to the highway district for which collected. For the purposes of vehicle registration, a person
5 is an actual and permanent resident of the county in which he has his principal residence or
6 domicile. A principal residence or domicile shall not be a person's workplace, vacation, or
7 part-time residence.

8 (6) A violation of the provisions of this section shall be an infraction.

9 SECTION 2. That Section 49-504, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to
10 read as follows:

11 49-504. APPLICATIONS TO DEPARTMENT FOR CERTIFICATES – PROCEDURE
12 – IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS. (1) Application for a certificate of title shall be made
13 upon a form furnished by the department and shall contain the owner's Idaho driver's license
14 number, Idaho identification card number or social security number. In the case of a business,
15 the employer tax identification number is required. Every application shall also contain the
16 owner's true and full legal name. In the event that the owner does not possess a social security
17 number, Idaho driver's license number, or Idaho identification card number, the owner shall
18 present written documentation sufficient to the department to determine that no social security
19 number has been issued. The form must contain the owner's physical domicile address or
20 in the case of a business, the business' physical address and any mailing address if different
21 from the physical address. Such application must be signed by the owner and contain a
22 full description of the vehicle including the make, identification numbers, and the odometer
23 reading at the time of sale or transfer, and whether the vehicle is new or used, together with
24 a statement of the applicant's title and of any liens or encumbrances upon the vehicle, and
25 the name and address of the person to whom the certificate of title shall be delivered, and
26 any other information as the department may require. The application shall be filed with the
27 department, and if a certificate of title has previously been issued for that vehicle in this state,
28 shall be accompanied by the certificate of title duly assigned, unless otherwise provided for in
29 this chapter. The department may promulgate rules to provide for exceptions to the odometer
30 requirement. Social security numbers collected shall not appear on certificates of title and all
31 applications on file shall be exempt from disclosure, except as provided in section 49-202,
32 49-203 and 49-203A, Idaho Code.

33 (2) If a certificate of title has not previously been issued for the vehicle in this state, the
34 application, unless otherwise provided for in this chapter, shall be accompanied by a proper bill
35 of sale or a duly certified copy thereof, or by a certificate of title, bill of sale or other evidence
36 of ownership required by the law of any other state from which the vehicle was brought into
37 this state, and a vehicle identification number inspection completed by any city, county or state
38 peace officer or other special agent authorized by the department.

39 (3) In the case of a new vehicle being titled for the first time, no certificate of title or
40 registration shall be issued unless the application is indorsed by a franchised new vehicle dealer
41 licensed to sell a new vehicle. Each application shall be accompanied by a manufacturer's
42 certificate of origin or manufacturer's statement of origin executed by the manufacturer and
43 delivered to his agent or his franchised vehicle dealer. The certificate or statement of origin
44 shall be in a form prescribed by the board and shall contain the year of manufacture or the
45 model year of the vehicle, the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, the name of the

1 manufacturer, the number of cylinders, a general description of the body, if any, and the type
2 or model. Upon sale of a new vehicle, the manufacturer, his agent or franchised dealer shall
3 execute and deliver to the purchaser an assignment of the certificate or statement, together with
4 any lien or encumbrance to which the vehicle is subject.

5 (4) The department shall retain the evidence of title presented by the applicant and
6 on which the certificate of title is issued. The department shall maintain an identification
7 numbers index of registered vehicles, and upon receiving an application for a certificate of
8 title, shall first check the identification number shown in the application against the index. The
9 department, when satisfied that the applicant is the owner of the vehicle and that the application
10 is in proper form, shall issue in the name of the owner of the vehicle a certificate of title
11 bearing a title number, the date issued and a description of the vehicle as determined by the
12 department, together with a statement of the owner's title and of all liens or encumbrances upon
13 the vehicle, and whether possession is held by the owner under a lease, contract or conditional
14 sale, or other like agreement.

15 (5) In all cases of transfer of vehicles the application for certificates of title shall be filed
16 within thirty (30) calendar days after the delivery of the vehicles. Licensed dealers need not
17 apply for certificate of title for vehicles in stock or when they are acquired for stock purposes.

18 (6) In the case of the sale of a vehicle by a dealer to a general purchaser or user, the
19 certificate of title shall be obtained in the name of the purchaser by the dealer upon application
20 signed by the purchaser. If a lien is to be recorded, the title documentation as required in this
21 section shall be submitted to the department by the dealer or the lienholder upon application
22 signed by the purchaser. A copy of this application shall be given to the purchaser to be
23 used as a seventy-two (72) hour temporary permit. In all other cases the certificates shall
24 be obtained by the purchaser and the seller's bill of sale shall serve as a seventy-two (72)
25 hour permit. The seventy-two (72) hour time period for temporary permits shall be calculated
26 excluding weekend days and legal holidays observed by the state of Idaho. This temporary
27 permit allows operation of any noncommercial vehicle or unladen commercial vehicle or
28 vehicle combination without license plates for the period of time specified in the permit. A
29 laden commercial vehicle or vehicle combination may also operate without license plates for
30 the period of time specified in the temporary permit provided that the owner or operator has
31 also obtained a permit issued under the provisions of section 49-432, Idaho Code.

32 (7) If the vehicle has no identification number, then the department shall designate an
33 identification number for that vehicle at the time of issuance of the certificate of title. The
34 identification number shall be permanently affixed to or indented upon the frame of the vehicle
35 and legibly maintained by the owner at all times while a certificate of title to the vehicle shall
36 be issued and outstanding.