



2026 South Dakota Legislature

House Bill 1227

Introduced by: **Representative Weems**

1 **An Act to increase the annual fee required of an owner of an electric motor vehicle.**

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 **Section 1. That § 32-5-188 be AMENDED:**

4 **32-5-188.** In addition to the license fees paid pursuant to the provisions of this
 5 chapter for a motor vehicle, the owner of an electric motor vehicle shall pay an annual fee
 6 of fifty one hundred dollars. The fee ~~shall~~ must be paid at the time of annual registration
 7 as otherwise provided in this chapter. ~~However, the~~ The license fee imposed by this section
 8 does not apply to any motorcycle propelled by an electric motor, if the license fee is paid
 9 pursuant to § 32-5-9.

10 For the purposes of this section, ~~the term,~~ "electric motor vehicle," means a
 11 noncommercial motor vehicle ~~that is~~ propelled by an electric motor that draws electricity
 12 from a battery ~~that is~~ capable of being recharged from an external source of electricity, and
 13 ~~that~~ which may be legally operated on the interstate highways in this state and eligible
 14 for registration pursuant to the laws of this state. The electric motor vehicle ~~shall~~ must
 15 have been made by a manufacturer primarily for use on public streets, roads, and
 16 highways and ~~meets~~ must meet National Highway Traffic Safety Administration standards
 17 ~~included provided~~ in 49 C.F.R. § 571-~~as of~~ (January 1, 2021).

18 The fees received pursuant to this section ~~shall~~ must be deposited in the state
 19 highway fund.