

1-1 By: Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Williams) H.B. No. 441
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2011;
1-3 April 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Transportation and Homeland Security; May 17, 2011, reported
1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 17, 2011,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to the fees for certain commercial vehicles.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 502.167(c), Transportation Code, as
1-12 effective September 1, 2011, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 (c) The fee [~~for a registration year~~] for registration of a
1-14 semitrailer used in the manner described by Subsection (a),
1-15 regardless of the date the semitrailer is registered, is[+]

1-16 [~~(1) \$30, for a semitrailer being propelled by a power
1-17 unit for which a permit under Section 623.011 has been issued, or~~

1-18 [~~(2) \$15 for a registration year [, for a semitrailer
1-19 being propelled by a power unit for which a permit under Section
1-20 623.011 has not been issued].~~

1-21 SECTION 2. Section 623.011(b), Transportation Code, is
1-22 amended to read as follows:

1-23 (b) To qualify for a permit under this section:

1-24 (1) the vehicle must be registered under Chapter 502
1-25 for the maximum gross weight applicable to the vehicle under
1-26 Section 621.101, not to exceed 80,000 pounds;

1-27 (2) the security requirement of Section 623.012 must
1-28 be satisfied; and

1-29 (3) a base permit fee of \$90 [~~\$75~~], any additional fee
1-30 required by Section 623.0111, and any additional fee set by the
1-31 department under Section 623.0112 must be paid.

1-32 SECTION 3. Section 621.353(a), Transportation Code, is
1-33 amended to read as follows:

1-34 (a) The comptroller shall send \$50 of each base fee
1-35 collected under Section 623.011 for an excess weight permit to the
1-36 counties of the state, with each county receiving an amount
1-37 determined according to the ratio of the total number of miles of
1-38 county roads maintained by the county to the total number of miles
1-39 of county roads maintained by all of the counties of this state.
1-40 The comptroller shall deposit \$40 [~~\$25~~] of each base fee, plus each
1-41 fee collected under Section 623.0112, to the credit of the state
1-42 highway fund. Money deposited to the credit of that fund under this
1-43 subsection may be appropriated only to the department to administer
1-44 this section and Sections 623.011, 623.0111, and 623.0112.

1-45 SECTION 4. (a) The changes in law made by this Act apply
1-46 only to fees charged for a vehicle registration or permit issued on
1-47 or after the effective date of this Act.

1-48 (b) A vehicle registration or permit issued before the
1-49 effective date of this Act is covered by the law in effect when the
1-50 registration or permit was issued, and the former law is continued
1-51 in effect for that purpose.

1-52 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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