

Assembly Bill No. 183

CHAPTER 232

An act to amend Section 9250.14 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles, and making an appropriation therefor.

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AB 183, Washington. Vehicles: registration fees.

Existing law, in addition to the other fees imposed for the registration of a vehicle, imposes, with certain exceptions, an additional fee of \$1, and continuously appropriates the money to fund local programs relating to vehicle theft crimes. These provisions are to be repealed as of January 1, 2000.

This bill would require each participating county to submit a specified quarterly report to the Department of the California Highway Patrol which would be required to prepare an annual report for the Legislature and participating counties.

The bill would extend the repeal date to January 1, 2005, and would, thus, extend the fee and continuous appropriation to that date, thereby making an appropriation. The bill would make conforming changes.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 9250.14 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

9250.14. (a) In addition to any other fees specified in this code and the Revenue and Taxation Code, upon the adoption of a resolution by any county board of supervisors, a fee of one dollar (\$1) shall be paid at the time of registration or renewal of registration of every vehicle registered to an address within that county except those expressly exempted from payment of registration fees. The fees, after deduction of the administrative costs incurred by the department in carrying out this section, shall be paid quarterly to the Controller.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, the money paid to the Controller is continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal years, for the administrative costs of the Controller, and for disbursement by the Controller to each county that has adopted a resolution pursuant to subdivision (a), based upon the

number of vehicles registered, or whose registration is renewed, to an address within that county.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, money allocated to a county pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be expended exclusively to fund programs that enhance the capacity of local police and prosecutors to deter, investigate, and prosecute vehicle theft crimes. In any county with a population of 200,000 or less, the money shall be expended exclusively for those vehicle theft crime programs and for the prosecution of crimes involving driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs in violation of Section 23152 or 23153, or vehicular manslaughter in violation of Section 191.5 or subdivision (c) of Section 192 of the Penal Code, or any combination of those crimes.

(d) No money collected pursuant to this section shall be expended to offset a reduction in any other source of funds, nor for any purpose not authorized under this section.

(e) Any funds received by a county prior to January 1, 2000, pursuant to this section that are not expended to deter, investigate, or prosecute crimes pursuant to subdivision (c) shall be returned to the Controller, for deposit in the Motor Vehicle Account in the State Transportation Fund. Those funds received by a county after January 1, 2000, shall be expended in accordance with this section.

(f) Each county that has adopted or adopts a resolution pursuant to subdivision (a) shall submit, on or before the 13th day following the end of each quarter, a quarterly expenditure and activity report to the designated statewide Vehicle Theft Investigation and Apprehension Coordinator in the Department of the California Highway Patrol. The coordinator shall compile all county reports and prepare an annual report for dissemination to the Legislature and participating counties.

(g) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2005, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted on or before January 1, 2005, deletes or extends that date.

