

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1763

Introduced by Assembly Member Longville

January 18, 2000

An act to amend Section 6700 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1763, as introduced, Longville. Vehicle registration: exemption.

Under existing law, the owner of a vehicle of a type that is subject to registration under the Vehicle Code is allowed to operate the vehicle without obtaining registration until gainful employment is accepted in this state or until residency is established, whichever occurs first, if the vehicle displays specified valid license plates and a valid vehicle registration that was issued in another state.

This bill would exempt an owner of a vehicle who, as a nonresident daily commuter, operates that vehicle in this state.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 6700 of the Vehicle Code is
2 amended to read:
3 6700. (a) (1) Except as provided in Section 6700.2,
4 the owner of any vehicle of a type otherwise subject to

1 registration under this code, other than a commercial
2 vehicle registered in a foreign jurisdiction, may operate
3 the vehicle in this state until gainful employment is
4 accepted in this state or until residency is established in
5 this state, whichever occurs first, if the vehicle displays
6 valid license plates and has a valid registration issued to
7 the owner, and the owner was a resident of that state at
8 the time of issuance. Application to register the vehicle
9 shall be made within 20 days after gainful employment is
10 accepted in this state or residency is established in this
11 state.

12 *(s) This subdivision does not apply to the owner of a*
13 *vehicle who, as a nonresident daily commuter, operates*
14 *that vehicle in this state.*

15 (b) A nonresident owner of a vehicle, otherwise
16 exempt from registration pursuant to this section or
17 Section 6700.2, may operate or permit operation of the
18 vehicle in this state without registering the vehicle in this
19 state if the vehicle is registered in the place of residence
20 of the owner and displays upon it valid license plates
21 issued by that place. This exemption does not apply if the
22 nonresident owner rents, leases, lends, or otherwise
23 furnishes the vehicle to a California resident for regular
24 use on the highways of this state, as defined in subdivision
25 (b) of Section 4000.4.

26 (c) Any resident who operates upon a highway of this
27 state a vehicle owned by a nonresident who furnished the
28 vehicle to the resident operator for his or her regular use
29 within this state, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section
30 4000.4, shall cause the vehicle to be registered in
31 California within 20 days after its first operation within
32 this state by the resident.

33 (d) Nothing in this section supersedes the
34 requirements of Section 6851.

