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MONDAY 14TH MARCH, 2016
ACT NO. 7 of 2016

MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ACT 2016

I assent.

David Granger,
President.
March 14, 2016.

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

1. Short title.
2. Amendment of section 28 of the Principal Act.
3. Amendment of the First Schedule to the Principal Act.
AN ACT to amend the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act.

Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:-

1. This Act, which amends the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act, may be cited as the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act 2016.

2. Section 28(1) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in the proviso immediately after the word “State” the words “or any other person who is sixty-five years old and over”.

3. The First Schedule to the Principal Act is amended by the substitution for it of the following Schedule -

**“FIRST SCHEDULE”**

-**A-**

**LICENCE FEES IN RESPECT OF VEHICLES**

Vehicles solely for private use in carrying persons or for broadcasting purposes.

1. For each motor cycle:-
   - (a) having 2 wheels and not exceeding 200 pounds $1,500
   - (b) having 3 wheels $2,250
   - (c) having 2 wheels and exceeding 200 pounds $3,000

2. For each motor vehicle other than a motor cycle:-
   - (a) not exceeding 2240 pounds $3,000
   - (b) exceeding 2240 pounds and not exceeding 3,000 pounds $3,750
   - (c) exceeding 3,000 pounds and not exceeding 4,000 pounds $6,000
(d) exceeding 4,000 pounds and not exceeding 5,000 pounds 9,000
(c) exceeding 5,000 pounds 15,000

Passenger vehicle for hire or reward

3. For each hire car:—
   (a) not exceeding 2240 pounds 6,000
   (b) exceeding 2240 pounds and not exceeding
      3,000 pounds 6,750
   (c) exceeding 3,000 pounds 7,500

4. (a) For each motor bus used solely in Georgetown or New Amsterdam and
    seating:—
       (i) not more than 14 passengers 7,425
       (ii) more than 14 passengers 14,040
    (b) For each motor bus used elsewhere and seating:—
       (i) not more than 14 passengers 7,425
       (ii) more than 14 passengers 14,040

Goods Vehicles

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5. For each goods vehicle:—
   (a) not exceeding 1120 pounds unladen weight 3,750
   (b) exceeding 1120 pounds but not exceeding 2240 pounds
       unladen weight 6,750
   (c) exceeding 2240 pounds but not exceeding 4,480 pounds
       unladen weight 13,500
   (d) exceeding 4,480 pounds but not exceeding 8,960 pounds
       unladen weight 16,500
(e) exceeding 8,960 pounds but not exceeding 13,440 pounds
unladen weight 37,500
(f) exceeding 13,440 pounds unladen weight 45,000

Provided that:

(i) for a motor lorry exceeding four tons, but not
exceeding six tons payload, the licence
fee shall be 37,500
(ii) for a motor lorry exceeding six tons payload,
the licence fee shall be 45,000
(iii) for an articulated vehicle* the unladen
weight of which exceeds 11,200 pounds the
licence fee shall be 52,500

OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES

6. (a) for any agricultural motor tractor and trailer which are used for
the sole purpose of carrying agricultural machinery, appliances
and produce or any of them to or from, or to and from, any
cultivated plantation, lot or farm within a radius of 6 miles
thereof but not in Georgetown or New Amsterdam 5,400
(b) for any agricultural motor tractor used alone for the said purpose 900

7. For each motor hearse 1,800

8. For each motor vehicle used solely for the serving of equipment or
machinery 4,500
9. For each mechanically propelled crane, hoist, compressor, bulldozer or similar vehicle used in connection with construction, which is not in itself designed or constructed to carry any load other than loose tools and equipment 1,800

10. (a) For trailer used in connection with a motor car:-
   (i) having two wheels 540
   (ii) having more than two wheels 900

   (b) For each trailer capable of being attached to any vehicle, other than a motor tractor or motor car and not constructed as a permanent attachment to that vehicle 1,080

11. For each ATV 2,250

   Provided that:
   (a) no licence fee shall be payable in respect of any invalid carriage;
   (b) no licence shall be required for any motor vehicle or trailer if used only within the bounds of any sugar cane plantation, wood cutting grant, cattle farm, lot or farm under cultivation, cocoa estate, rubber estate, private grant, mining or placer claim;
   (c) in item 4, “passengers”, include the driver;
   (d) the Minister may, by order, define districts in which the fee for any trailer used in connection with a motor car shall be one half of the appropriate amount set out in item 10(a);
   (e) for any trailer fitted with tyres other than pneumatic tyres, the fee shall be twice the appropriate amount set out in item 10;
(f) no licence fee shall be payable for any motor vehicle or trailer kept for use exclusively on roads and trails, or any of them, in any district defined by the Minister by order, which shall come, or be deemed to have come into operation on such day, being the first day of any quarter not earlier than the commencement of the year in which the order is made, as shall be specified therein. Where there has been payment for any motor vehicle or trailer of a licence fee from which the motor vehicle or trailer is, upon the application of the licence holder shown to the satisfaction of the licensing officer to have, by virtue of any such order published in the Gazette after the payment in question, been exempted to the extent of any amount so paid in respect of any period commencing on or after the coming into operation of the order, such amount shall pursuant to the said application, and upon surrender of the licence if such period is unexpired, be refunded by or on the authority of the Licensing Authority; and any decision of the licensing officer with which the applicant is dissatisfied shall be subject to appeal, which shall lie in the like manner as an appeal under the proviso to section 18(3) against refusal to issue a licence.

B—OTHER FEES

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5. For registration:-
   of motor cycle 1,000
   of other motor vehicles 2,000
   of trailer 600
   For copy of entry in motor vehicles register 1,000
9. For transfer of registration:
   - of motor cycle 500
   - of other motor vehicles 1,000
   - of trailer 300

14. For certificate of fitness:—
   - for examination of two-wheeled motor cycle 1,000
   - for examination of motor car or three-wheeled motor cycle 2,000
   - for examination of motor lorry or motor bus 3,000
   - for examination of hire car 1,500
   - for examination of articulated vehicles* 4,000
   - for examination of any other goods vehicle 3,000
   - for examination of any other motor vehicle or trailer 1,000

21. For dealer’s general licence
   - for each dealer’s general identification mark 200,000

22. For learner’s provisional licence 2,000

27. For driver’s test of competence 3,000

28. For driver’s licence 4,000

78. For conductor’s licence 1,000

80. For licence to drive a hire car 3,000

81. For licence to drive a hire car
   - (for any period not exceeding seven days) 2,000

81. For the issue of an identification mark
   - for a hire car being used in the manner contemplated by section 81(1).
   - This fee shall be refunded upon the return of the identification mark to the licensing officer 2,000

105. For duplicate licence or certificate
   - Same fee as for original
For the purpose of this Schedule –

*“articulated vehicle” means any motor vehicle with a trailer drawn thereby which is so constructed and by partial super-imposition attached to the motor vehicle that a substantial part of the weight of the trailer is borne by the motor vehicle;

“the payload” of a motor lorry is the gross weight thereof as specified by the manufacturer less the unladen weight.”.

Passed by the National Assembly on the 26th February, 2016.

(Signed)

S.E. Maclus,
Clerk of the National Assembly.

(BILL No. 3/2016)