

**AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION AMENDMENT**

2009 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Stephen E. Sandstrom**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies the Motor Vehicle Act by amending provisions relating to motor vehicle registration.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- requires an owner, prior to registration of a vehicle for a new registration only, to present a valid driver license certificate that meets certain requirements; and
- makes technical changes.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill takes effect on July 1, 2009.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**41-1a-203**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2005, Chapter 2

REPEALS:

**41-1a-210.5**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2001, Chapter 242

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **41-1a-203** is amended to read:



28 **41-1a-203. Prerequisites for registration.**

29 (1) Except as otherwise provided, prior to registration of a vehicle [~~must have~~] an  
30 owner shall:

31 (a) obtain an identification number inspection under Section 41-1a-204;

32 (b) [~~passed the~~] obtain a safety inspection certificate, if required in the current year, as  
33 provided under Sections 41-1a-205 and 53-8-205;

34 (c) [~~passed the~~] obtain a certificate of emissions inspection, if required in the current  
35 year, as provided under Section 41-6a-1642;

36 (d) [~~paid~~] pay property taxes, the in lieu fee, or received a property tax clearance under  
37 Section 41-1a-206 or 41-1a-207;

38 (e) [~~paid~~] pay the automobile driver education tax required by Section 41-1a-208;

39 (f) [~~paid~~] pay the applicable registration fee under Part 12, Fee and Tax Requirements;

40 (g) [~~paid~~] pay the uninsured motorist identification fee under Section 41-1a-1218, if  
41 applicable; [~~and~~]

42 (h) [~~paid~~] pay the motor carrier fee under Section 41-1a-1219, if applicable[-]; and

43 (i) for a new registration only, present a valid driver license certificate:

44 (i) other than a driving privilege card; and

45 (ii) that:

46 (A) includes date of birth;

47 (B) has a picture affixed; and

48 (C) is issued:

49 (I) under Title 53, Chapter 3, Uniform Driver License Act; or

50 (II) in accordance with the laws of the state in which the driver license certificate is  
51 issued.

52 (2) In addition to the requirements in Subsection (1), an owner whose vehicle has not  
53 been previously registered or that is currently registered under a previous owner's name must  
54 also apply for a valid certificate of title in the owner's name prior to registration.

55 (3) A new registration, transfer of ownership, or registration renewal under Section  
56 73-18-7 may not be issued for a vessel or outboard motor that is subject to the title provisions  
57 of this chapter unless a certificate of title has been or is in the process of being issued in the  
58 same owner's name.

59 (4) A new registration, transfer of ownership, or registration renewal under Section  
60 41-22-3 may not be issued for an off-highway vehicle that is subject to the titling provisions of  
61 this chapter unless a certificate of title has been or is in the process of being issued in the same  
62 owner's name.

63 Section 2. **Repealer.**

64 This bill repeals:

65 Section **41-1a-210.5, Driver license required on new registrations.**

66 Section 3. **Effective date.**

67 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2009.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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**H.B. 344 - Automobile Registration Amendment**

**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill may decrease revenue to the Transportation Fund by \$24.50 per vehicle that is no longer registered. It may also increase revenue to the General Fund associated with fines paid by those caught driving an unregistered vehicle. The number of used vehicles registered by individuals without a valid driver's license is unknown.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Individuals without a valid driver license certificate will not be able to register their vehicles. Local entities may experience an increase in revenue through enforcement. Businesses are likely unaffected.

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