UNIFORM FEES ON MOTORCYCLES
2009 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Brent H. Goodfellow
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill amends provisions in the Property Tax Act relating to the uniform fees for
certain motorcycles.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
defines the term "small street motorcycle";
amends the term "street motorcycle";
 provides a uniform fee for small street motorcycles depending on the age of the
small street motorcycle;
 repeals outdated language relating to a previous refund program; and
makes technical changes.
Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
None
Other Special Clauses:
This bill takes effect on January 1, 2010.
Utah Code Sections Affected:
AMENDS:
59-2-405.2 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapters 250 and 382



28	Section 1. Section 59-2-405.2 is amended to read:
29	59-2-405.2. Definitions Uniform statewide fee on certain tangible personal
30	property Distribution of revenues Rulemaking authority Determining the length of
31	a vessel.
32	(1) As used in this section:
33	(a) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(a)(ii), "all-terrain vehicle" means a motor
34	vehicle that:
35	(A) is an:
36	(I) all-terrain type I vehicle as defined in Section 41-22-2; or
37	(II) all-terrain type II vehicle as defined in Section 41-22-2;
38	(B) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 22, Off-Highway
39	Vehicles; and
40	(C) has:
41	(I) an engine with more than 150 cubic centimeters displacement;
42	(II) a motor that produces more than five horsepower; or
43	(III) an electric motor; and
44	(ii) notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a)(i), "all-terrain vehicle" does not include a
45	snowmobile.
46	(b) "Camper" means a camper:
47	(i) as defined in Section 41-1a-102; and
48	(ii) that is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2,
49	Registration.
50	(c) (i) "Canoe" means a vessel that:
51	(A) is long and narrow;
52	(B) has curved sides; and
53	(C) is tapered:
54	(I) to two pointed ends; or
55	(II) to one pointed end and is blunt on the other end; and
56	(ii) "canoe" includes:
57	(A) a collapsible inflatable canoe;
58	(B) a kayak;

59 (C) a racing shell; or 60 (D) a rowing scull. 61 (d) "Dealer" is as defined in Section 41-1a-102. 62 (e) "Jon boat" means a vessel that: 63 (i) has a square bow; and 64 (ii) has a flat bottom. 65 (f) "Motor vehicle" is as defined in Section 41-22-2. 66 (g) "Other motorcycle" means a motor vehicle that: 67 (i) is: 68 (A) a motorcycle as defined in Section 41-1a-102; and 69 (B) designed primarily for use and operation over unimproved terrain; 70 (ii) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2, 71 Registration; and 72 (iii) has: 73 (A) an engine with more than 150 cubic centimeters displacement; or 74 (B) a motor that produces more than five horsepower. 75 (h) (i) "Other trailer" means a portable vehicle without motive power that is primarily 76 used: 77 (A) to transport tangible personal property; and 78 (B) for a purpose other than a commercial purpose; and 79 (ii) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, for 80 purposes of Subsection (1)(h)(i)(B), the commission may by rule define what constitutes a 81 purpose other than a commercial purpose. 82 (i) "Outboard motor" is as defined in Section 41-1a-102. 83 (j) "Personal watercraft" means a personal watercraft: 84 (i) as defined in Section 73-18-2; and 85 (ii) that is required to be registered in accordance with Title 73, Chapter 18, State 86 Boating Act. 87 (k) (i) "Pontoon" means a vessel that: 88 (A) is: 89 (I) supported by one or more floats; and

90	(II) propelled by either inboard or outboard power; and
91	(B) is not:
92	(I) a houseboat; or
93	(II) a collapsible inflatable vessel; and
94	(ii) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
95	commission may by rule define the term "houseboat".
96	[(1) "Qualifying adjustment, exemption, or reduction" means an adjustment, exemption
97	or reduction:]
98	[(i) of all or a portion of a qualifying payment;]
99	[(ii) granted by a county during the refund period; and]
100	[(iii) received by a qualifying person.]
101	[(m) (i) "Qualifying payment" means the payment made:]
102	[(A) of a uniform statewide fee in accordance with this section:]
103	[(I) by a qualifying person;]
104	[(H) to a county; and]
105	[(III) during the refund period; and]
106	[(B) on an item of qualifying tangible personal property; and]
107	[(ii) if a qualifying person received a qualifying adjustment, exemption, or reduction
108	for an item of qualifying tangible personal property, the qualifying payment for that qualifying
109	tangible personal property is equal to the difference between:
110	[(A) the payment described in this Subsection (1)(m) for that item of qualifying
111	tangible personal property; and]
112	[(B) the amount of the qualifying adjustment, exemption, or reduction.]
113	[(n) "Qualifying person" means a person that paid a uniform statewide fee:]
114	[(i) during the refund period;]
115	[(ii) in accordance with this section; and]
116	[(iii) on an item of qualifying tangible personal property.]
117	[(o) "Qualifying tangible personal property" means a:]
118	[(i) qualifying vehicle; or]
119	[(ii) qualifying watercraft.]
120	[(p) "Qualifying vehicle" means:]

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121	[(i) an all-terrain vehicle with an engine displacement that is 100 or more cubic
122	centimeters but 150 or less cubic centimeters;]
123	[(ii) an other motorcycle with an engine displacement that is 100 or more cubic
124	centimeters but 150 or less cubic centimeters;]
125	[(iii) a small motor vehicle with an engine displacement that is 100 or more cubic
126	centimeters but 150 or less cubic centimeters;]
127	[(iv) a snowmobile with an engine displacement that is 100 or more cubic centimeters
128	but 150 or less cubic centimeters; or]
129	[(v) a street motorcycle with an engine displacement that is 100 or more cubic
130	centimeters but 150 or less cubic centimeters.]
131	[(q) "Qualifying watercraft" means a:]
132	[(i) canoe;]
133	[(ii) collapsible inflatable vessel;]
134	[(iii) jon boat;]
135	[(iv) pontoon;]
136	[(v) sailboat; or]
137	[(vi) utility boat.]
138	[(r) "Refund period" means the time period:]
139	[(i) beginning on January 1, 2006; and]
140	[(ii) ending on December 29, 2006.]
141	[(s)] (1) "Sailboat" means a sailboat as defined in Section 73-18-2.
142	[(t)] (m) (i) "Small motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that:
143	(A) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Motor Vehicles; and
144	(B) has:
145	(I) an engine with 150 or less cubic centimeters displacement; or
146	(II) a motor that produces five or less horsepower; and
147	(ii) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
148	commission may by rule develop a process for an owner of a motor vehicle to certify whether
149	the motor vehicle has:
150	(A) an engine with 150 or less cubic centimeters displacement; or
151	(B) a motor that produces five or less horsepower.

152	(n) "Small street motorcycle" means a motor vehicle that:
153	<u>(i) is:</u>
154	(A) a motorcycle as defined in Section 41-1a-102; and
155	(B) designed primarily for use and operation on highways:
156	(ii) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2,
157	Registration; and
158	(iii) has:
159	(A) an engine with:
160	(I) 151 cubic centimeters displacement or more; and
161	(II) 650 cubic centimeters displacement or less; or
162	(B) a motor that produces:
163	(I) more than five horsepower; and
164	(II) seven horsepower or less.
165	[(u)] (o) "Snowmobile" means a motor vehicle that:
166	(i) is a snowmobile as defined in Section 41-22-2;
167	(ii) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 22, Off-Highway
168	Vehicles; and
169	(iii) has:
170	(A) an engine with more than 150 cubic centimeters displacement; or
171	(B) a motor that produces more than five horsepower.
172	[(v)] (p) "Street motorcycle" means a motor vehicle that:
173	(i) is:
174	(A) a motorcycle as defined in Section 41-1a-102; and
175	(B) designed primarily for use and operation on highways;
176	(ii) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2,
177	Registration; and
178	(iii) has:
179	(A) an engine with [more than 150] 651 cubic centimeters displacement or more; or
180	(B) a motor that produces more than [five] seven horsepower.
181	[(w)] (q) "Tangible personal property owner" means a person that owns an item of
182	qualifying tangible personal property.

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183	[(x)] <u>(r)</u> "Tent trailer" means a portable vehicle without motive power that:
184	(i) is constructed with collapsible side walls that:
185	(A) fold for towing by a motor vehicle; and
186	(B) unfold at a campsite;
187	(ii) is designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, or vacation use;
188	(iii) is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2,
189	Registration; and
190	(iv) does not require a special highway movement permit when drawn by a
191	self-propelled motor vehicle.
192	$[\underline{(y)}]$ (s) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (1)[$\underline{(y)}$](s)(ii), "travel trailer" means a
193	travel trailer:
194	(A) as defined in Section 41-1a-102; and
195	(B) that is required to be registered in accordance with Title 41, Chapter 1a, Part 2,
196	Registration; and
197	(ii) notwithstanding Subsection $(1)[\underline{(y)}]\underline{(s)}(i)$, "travel trailer" does not include:
198	(A) a camper; or
199	(B) a tent trailer.
200	[(z)] (i) "Utility boat" means a vessel that:
201	(A) has:
202	(I) two or three bench seating;
203	(II) an outboard motor; and
204	(III) a hull made of aluminum, fiberglass, or wood; and
205	(B) does not have:
206	(I) decking;
207	(II) a permanent canopy; or
208	(III) a floor other than the hull; and
209	(ii) notwithstanding Subsection $(1)[(z)](t)(i)$, "utility boat" does not include a
210	collapsible inflatable vessel.
211	[(aa)] (u) "Vessel" means a vessel:
212	(i) as defined in Section 73-18-2, including an outboard motor of the vessel; and
213	(ii) that is required to be registered in accordance with Title 73, Chapter 18, State

214	boating Act.	
215	(2) (a) In accordance with Utah Constitution Article XIII, S	Section 2, Subsection (6),
216	beginning on January 1, 2006, the tangible personal property descri	ibed in Subsection (2)(b) is:
217	(i) exempt from the tax imposed by Section 59-2-103; and	
218	(ii) in lieu of the tax imposed by Section 59-2-103, subject	to uniform statewide fees as
219	provided in this section.	
220	(b) The following tangible personal property applies to Sul	osection (2)(a) if that
221	tangible personal property is required to be registered with the state	e:
222	(i) an all-terrain vehicle;	
223	(ii) a camper;	
224	(iii) an other motorcycle;	
225	(iv) an other trailer;	
226	(v) a personal watercraft;	
227	(vi) a small motor vehicle;	
228	(vii) a small street motorcycle;	
229	[(vii)] (viii) a snowmobile;	
230	[(viii)] (ix) a street motorcycle;	
231	$\left[\frac{(ix)}{x}\right]$ a tent trailer;	
232	$[\frac{(x)}{(x)}]$ (xi) a travel trailer; and	
233	$[\frac{(xi)}{(xii)}]$ a vessel if that vessel is less than 31 feet in leng	th as determined under
234	Subsection (6).	
235	(3) For purposes of this section, the uniform statewide fees	s are:
236	(a) for an all-terrain vehicle, an other motorcycle, or a snow	wmobile:
237	Age of All-Terrain Vehicle, Other Motorcycle, or Snowmobile	Uniform Statewide Fee
238	12 or more years	\$10
239	9 or more years but less than 12 years	\$20
240	6 or more years but less than 9 years	\$30
241	3 or more years but less than 6 years	\$35
242	Less than 3 years	\$45
243	(b) for a camper or a tent trailer:	
244	Age of Camper or Tent Trailer	Uniform Statewide Fee

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276	12 or more years	\$10
277	9 or more years but less than 12 years	\$35
278	6 or more years but less than 9 years	\$50
279	3 or more years but less than 6 years	\$70
280	Less than 3 years	[\$95] <u>\$100</u>
281	[(g)] (h) for a travel trailer:	
282	Age of Travel Trailer	Uniform Statewide Fee
283	12 or more years	\$20
284	9 or more years but less than 12 years	\$65
285	6 or more years but less than 9 years	\$90
286	3 or more years but less than 6 years	\$135
287	Less than 3 years	\$175
288	[(h)] (i) \$10 regardless of the age of the vessel if the ves	sel is:
289	(i) less than 15 feet in length;	
290	(ii) a canoe;	
291	(iii) a jon boat; or	
292	(iv) a utility boat;	
293	[(i)] (j) for a collapsible inflatable vessel, pontoon, or sa	ilboat, regardless of age:
294	Length of Vessel	Uniform Statewide Fee
295	15 feet or more in length but less than 19 feet in length	\$15
296	19 feet or more in length but less than 23 feet in length	\$25
297	23 feet or more in length but less than 27 feet in length	\$40
298	27 feet or more in length but less than 31 feet in length	\$75
299	[(j)] (<u>k</u>) for a vessel, other than a canoe, collapsible infla	table vessel, jon boat, pontoon,
300	sailboat, or utility boat, that is 15 feet or more in length but less	than 19 feet in length:
301	Age of Vessel Unit	form Statewide Fee
302	12 or more years	\$25
303	9 or more years but less than 12 years	\$65
304	6 or more years but less than 9 years	\$80
305	3 or more years but less than 6 years	\$110
306	Less than 3 years	\$150

307 [(k)] (1) for a vessel, other than a canoe, collapsible inflatable vessel, jon boat, pontoon, 308 sailboat, or utility boat, that is 19 feet or more in length but less than 23 feet in length: 309 Age of Vessel Uniform Statewide Fee 310 12 or more years \$50 311 9 or more years but less than 12 years \$120 312 6 or more years but less than 9 years \$175 313 3 or more years but less than 6 years \$220 314 Less than 3 years \$275 315 [(1)] (m) for a vessel, other than a canoe, collapsible inflatable vessel, jon boat, 316 pontoon, sailboat, or utility boat, that is 23 feet or more in length but less than 27 feet in length: 317 Uniform Statewide Fee Age of Vessel 318 \$100 12 or more years 319 9 or more years but less than 12 years \$180 320 6 or more years but less than 9 years \$240 321 3 or more years but less than 6 years \$310 322 \$400 Less than 3 years 323 [(m)] (n) for a vessel, other than a canoe, collapsible inflatable vessel, jon boat, 324 pontoon, sailboat, or utility boat, that is 27 feet or more in length but less than 31 feet in length: 325 Age of Vessel Uniform Statewide Fee 326 \$120 12 or more years 327 9 or more years but less than 12 years \$250 328 6 or more years but less than 9 years \$350 329 3 or more years but less than 6 years \$500 330 Less than 3 years \$700 331 (4) Notwithstanding Section 59-2-407, tangible personal property subject to the 332 uniform statewide fees imposed by this section that is brought into the state shall, as a 333 condition of registration, be subject to the uniform statewide fees unless all property taxes or 334 uniform fees imposed by the state of origin have been paid for the current calendar year. 335 (5) (a) The revenues collected in each county from the uniform statewide fees imposed 336 by this section shall be distributed by the county to each taxing entity in which each item of

tangible personal property subject to the uniform statewide fees is located in the same

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338 proportion in which revenues collected from the ad valorem property tax are distributed. 339 (b) Each taxing entity described in Subsection (5)(a) that receives revenues from the 340 uniform statewide fees imposed by this section shall distribute the revenues in the same 341 proportion in which revenues collected from the ad valorem property tax are distributed. 342 (6) (a) For purposes of the uniform statewide fee imposed by this section, the length of 343 a vessel shall be determined as provided in this Subsection (6). 344 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b)(ii), the length of a vessel shall be 345 measured as follows: 346 (A) the length of a vessel shall be measured in a straight line; and 347 (B) the length of a vessel is equal to the distance between the bow of the vessel and the 348 stern of the vessel. 349 (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (6)(b)(i), the length of a vessel may not include the 350 length of: 351 (A) a swim deck; (B) a ladder; 352 353 (C) an outboard motor; or 354 (D) an appurtenance or attachment similar to Subsections (6)(b)(ii)(A) through (C) as 355 determined by the commission by rule. 356 (iii) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, 357 the commission may by rule define what constitutes an appurtenance or attachment similar to 358 Subsections (6)(b)(ii)(A) through (C). 359 (c) The length of a vessel: 360 (i) (A) for a new vessel, is the length: 361 (I) listed on the manufacturer's statement of origin if the length of the vessel measured 362 under Subsection (6)(b) is equal to the length of the vessel listed on the manufacturer's 363 statement of origin; or 364 (II) listed on a form submitted to the commission by a dealer in accordance with 365 Subsection (6)(d) if the length of the vessel measured under Subsection (6)(b) is not equal to 366 the length of the vessel listed on the manufacturer's statement of origin; or 367 (B) for a vessel other than a new vessel, is the length:

(I) corresponding to the model number if the length of the vessel measured under

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369	Subsection (6)(b) is equal to the length of the vessel determined by reference to the model
370	number; or
371	(II) listed on a form submitted to the commission by an owner of the vessel in
372	accordance with Subsection (6)(d) if the length of the vessel measured under Subsection (6)(b)
373	is not equal to the length of the vessel determined by reference to the model number; and
374	(ii) (A) is determined at the time of the:
375	(I) first registration as defined in Section 41-1a-102 that occurs on or after January 1,
376	2006; or
377	(II) first renewal of registration that occurs on or after January 1, 2006; and
378	(B) may be determined after the time described in Subsection (6)(c)(ii)(A) only if the
379	commission requests that a dealer or an owner submit a form to the commission in accordance
380	with Subsection (6)(d).
381	(d) (i) A form under Subsection (6)(c) shall:
382	(A) be developed by the commission;
383	(B) be provided by the commission to:
384	(I) a dealer; or
385	(II) an owner of a vessel;
386	(C) provide for the reporting of the length of a vessel;
387	(D) be submitted to the commission at the time the length of the vessel is determined in
388	accordance with Subsection (6)(c)(ii);
389	(E) be signed by:
390	(I) if the form is submitted by a dealer, that dealer; or
391	(II) if the form is submitted by an owner of the vessel, an owner of the vessel; and
392	(F) include a certification that the information set forth in the form is true.
393	(ii) A certification made under Subsection (6)(d)(i)(F) is considered as if made under
394	oath and subject to the same penalties as provided by law for perjury.
395	(iii) (A) A dealer or an owner that submits a form to the commission under Subsection
396	(6)(c) is considered to have given the dealer's or owner's consent to an audit or review by:
397	(I) the commission;
398	(II) the county assessor; or
399	(III) the commission and the county assessor.

400	(B) The consent described in Subsection (6)(d)(iii)(A) is a condition to the acceptance
401	of any form.
402	[(7) (a) A county that collected a qualifying payment from a qualifying person during
403	the refund period shall issue a refund to the qualifying person as described in Subsection (7)(b)
404	if:]
405	[(i) the difference described in Subsection (7)(b) is \$1 or more; and]
406	[(ii) the qualifying person submitted a form in accordance with Subsections (7)(c) and
407	(d).]
408	[(b) The refund amount shall be calculated as follows:]
409	[(i) for a qualifying vehicle, the refund amount is equal to the difference between:]
410	[(A) the qualifying payment the qualifying person paid on the qualifying vehicle during
411	the refund period; and]
412	[(B) the amount of the statewide uniform fee:
413	[(I) for that qualifying vehicle; and]
414	[(II) that the qualifying person would have been required to pay:]
415	[(Aa) during the refund period; and]
416	[(Bb) in accordance with this section had Laws of Utah 2006, Fifth Special Session,
417	Chapter 3, Section 1, been in effect during the refund period; and]
418	[(ii) for a qualifying watercraft, the refund amount is equal to the difference between:]
419	[(A) the qualifying payment the qualifying person paid on the qualifying watercraft
420	during the refund period; and]
421	[(B) the amount of the statewide uniform fee:]
422	[(I) for that qualifying watercraft;]
423	[(II) that the qualifying person would have been required to pay:]
424	[(Aa) during the refund period; and]
425	[(Bb) in accordance with this section had Laws of Utah 2006, Fifth Special Session,
426	Chapter 3, Section 1, been in effect during the refund period.]
427	[(c) Before the county issues a refund to the qualifying person in accordance with
428	Subsection (7)(a) the qualifying person shall submit a form to the county to verify the
429	qualifying person is entitled to the refund.]
430	[(d) (i) A form under Subsection (7)(c) or (8) shall:]

431	[(A) be developed by the commission;]
432	[(B) be provided by the commission to the counties;]
433	[(C) be provided by the county to the qualifying person or tangible personal property
434	owner;]
435	[(D) provide for the reporting of the following:]
436	[(I) for a qualifying vehicle:]
437	[(Aa) the type of qualifying vehicle; and]
438	[(Bb) the amount of cubic centimeters displacement;]
439	[(II) for a qualifying watercraft:]
440	[(Aa) the length of the qualifying watercraft;]
441	[(Bb) the age of the qualifying watercraft; and]
442	[(Cc) the type of qualifying watercraft;]
443	[(E) be signed by the qualifying person or tangible personal property owner; and]
444	[(F) include a certification that the information set forth in the form is true.]
445	[(ii) A certification made under Subsection (7)(d)(i)(F) is considered as if made under
446	oath and subject to the same penalties as provided by law for perjury.]
447	[(iii) (A) A qualifying person or tangible personal property owner that submits a form
448	to a county under Subsection (7)(c) or (8) is considered to have given the qualifying person's
449	consent to an audit or review by:]
450	[(I) the commission;]
451	[(H) the county assessor; or]
452	[(III) the commission and the county assessor.]
453	[(B) The consent described in Subsection (7)(d)(iii)(A) is a condition to the acceptance
454	of any form.]
455	[(e) The county shall make changes to the commission's records with the information
456	received by the county from the form submitted in accordance with Subsection (7)(e).]
457	[(8) A county shall change its records regarding an item of qualifying tangible personal
458	property if the tangible personal property owner submits a form to the county in accordance
459	with Subsection (7)(d).]
460	[(9) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (9) "owner of tangible personal property"
461	means a person that was required to pay a uniform statewide fee:]

462	[(1) during the refund period;]
463	[(ii) in accordance with this section; and]
464	[(iii) on an item of tangible personal property subject to the uniform statewide fees
465	imposed by this section.]
466	[(b) A county that collected revenues from uniform statewide fees imposed by this
467	section during the refund period shall notify an owner of tangible personal property:]
468	[(i) of the tangible personal property classification changes made to this section
469	pursuant to Laws of Utah 2006, Fifth Special Session, Chapter 3, Section 1;]
470	[(ii) that the owner of tangible personal property may obtain and file a form to modify
471	the county's records regarding the owner's tangible personal property; and]
472	[(iii) that the owner may be entitled to a refund pursuant to Subsection (7).]
473	Section 2. Effective date.
474	This bill takes effect on January 1, 2010.

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