

1                                   **VEHICLE REGISTRATION RENEWAL NOTICE**

2   **REQUIREMENTS**

3   2021 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5   **Chief Sponsor: Scott H. Chew**

6   Senate Sponsor: Jani Iwamoto

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**LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9                                   This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Division to provide a vehicle owner the option to  
10 receive notification through mail or email to inform the owner of the expiration of a  
11 vehicle's registration.  
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13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14                                   This bill:

- 15                                   ▶ requires the Motor Vehicle Division to send notification through the mail of the  
16 expiration of a vehicle's registration unless the individual elects to receive  
17 notification by email;
- 18                                   ▶ allows the Motor Vehicle Division to charge a fee to cover the costs of mailing an  
19 individual's notification; and
- 20                                   ▶ makes technical changes.

21 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

22                                   None

23 **Other Special Clauses:**

24                                   None

25 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

26 AMENDS:

27                                   **41-1a-203**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 479



28 [41-1a-217](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 406

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

31 Section 1. Section [41-1a-203](#) is amended to read:

32 **[41-1a-203. Prerequisites for registration, transfer of ownership, or registration](#)**  
33 **renewal.**

34 (1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), the division shall mail a notification to  
35 the owner of a vehicle at least 45 days before the date the vehicle's registration is due to expire.

36 (b) (i) The division shall provide a process for a vehicle owner to choose to receive  
37 electronic notification of the pending expiration of a vehicle's registration.

38 (ii) If a vehicle owner chooses electronic notification, the division shall notify by email  
39 the owner of a vehicle at least 45 days before the date the vehicle's registration is due to expire.

40 (c) If a vehicle owner chooses to receive notification by mail as described in  
41 Subsection (1)(a), the division may charge the vehicle owner an additional fee to pay for  
42 postage.

43 ~~[(1)]~~ (2) Except as otherwise provided, before registration of a vehicle, an owner shall:

44 (a) obtain an identification number inspection under Section [41-1a-204](#);

45 (b) obtain a certificate of emissions inspection, if required in the current year, as  
46 provided under Section [41-6a-1642](#);

47 (c) pay property taxes, the in lieu fee, or receive a property tax clearance under Section  
48 [41-1a-206](#) or [41-1a-207](#);

49 (d) pay the automobile driver education tax required by Section [41-1a-208](#);

50 (e) pay the applicable registration fee under Part 12, Fee and Tax Requirements;

51 (f) pay the uninsured motorist identification fee under Section [41-1a-1218](#), if

52 applicable;

53 (g) pay the motor carrier fee under Section [41-1a-1219](#), if applicable;

54 (h) pay any applicable local emissions compliance fee under Section [41-1a-1223](#); and

55 (i) pay the taxes applicable under Title 59, Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act.

56 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) In addition to the requirements in Subsection (1), an owner of a vehicle that  
57 has not been previously registered or that is currently registered under a previous owner's name  
58 shall apply for a valid certificate of title in the owner's name before registration.

59           ~~[(3)]~~ (4) The division may not issue a new registration, transfer of ownership, or  
60 registration renewal under Section 73-18-7 for a vessel or outboard motor that is subject to this  
61 chapter unless a certificate of title has been or is in the process of being issued in the same  
62 owner's name.

63           ~~[(4)]~~ (5) The division may not issue a new registration, transfer of ownership, or  
64 registration renewal under Section 41-22-3 for an off-highway vehicle that is subject to this  
65 chapter unless a certificate of title has been or is in the process of being issued in the same  
66 owner's name.

67           ~~[(5)]~~ (6) The division may not issue a registration renewal for a motor vehicle if the  
68 division has received a hold request for the motor vehicle for which a registration renewal has  
69 been requested as described in:

70           (a) Section 72-1-213.1; or

71           (b) Section 72-6-118.

72           Section 2. Section 41-1a-217 is amended to read:

73           **41-1a-217. Application for renewal of registration.**

74           (1) An applicant may renew a vehicle registration by:

75           (a) filing an application for registration renewal; and

76           (b) paying the fees or taxes required under~~[Subsection 41-1a-203(1)]~~ Section  
77 41-1a-203.

78           (2) The applicant shall ensure that the application for registration renewal and the  
79 payment for applicable fees or taxes is accompanied by a certificate of emissions inspection if  
80 required under Section 41-6a-1642.

81           (3) The division shall issue a new registration card that contains:

82           (a) the identical information with respect to the owner and the vehicle description  
83 required by Section 41-1a-213; and

84           (b) the new expiration date.