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Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to increasing the retention percentage collected for certain motor vehicle service fees

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 3-a of section 205 of the vehicle and  
2     traffic law, subdivision 3 as amended by section 3 of part G of chapter  
3     59 of the laws of 2008 and subdivision 3-a as added by section 1 of part  
4     F of chapter 58 of the laws of 2012, are amended to read as follows:  
5     3. Each such county clerk shall retain from fees collected for any  
6     motor vehicle related service described in subdivision one of this  
7     section processed by such county clerk an amount based on a percentage  
8     of gross receipts collected. For purposes of this section, the term  
9     "gross receipts" shall include all fines, fees and penalties collected  
10    pursuant to this chapter by a county clerk acting as agent of the  
11    commissioner, but shall not include any state or local sales or compen-  
12    sating use taxes imposed under or pursuant to the authority of articles  
13    twenty-eight and twenty-nine of the tax law and collected by such clerk  
14    on behalf of the commissioner of taxation and finance. The retention  
15    percentage shall be [12.7] TWENTY-FIVE percent and shall take effect  
16    April first, nineteen hundred ninety-nine; provided, however, the  
17    retention percentage shall be [thirty] SIXTY percent of the thirty  
18    dollar fee established in paragraph (e) of subdivision two of section  
19    four hundred ninety-one and paragraph f-one of subdivision two of  
20    section five hundred three of this chapter.  
21    3-a. In addition to the fees retained pursuant to subdivision three of  
22    this section, each county clerk acting as the agent of the commissioner  
23    pursuant to subdivision one of this section shall retain [four] EIGHT  
24    percent of "enhanced internet and electronic partner revenue" collected

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 by the commissioner. For the purposes of this subdivision, "enhanced  
2 internet and electronic partner revenue" shall mean the amount of gross  
3 receipts attributable to all transactions conducted on the internet by  
4 residents of such county and by designated partners of the department on  
5 behalf of such residents for the current calendar year that exceeds the  
6 amount of such revenue collected by the commissioner during calendar  
7 year two thousand eleven. The commissioner shall certify the amounts to  
8 be retained by each county clerk pursuant to this subdivision.  
9 [Provided, however, that if the aggregate amount of fees retained by  
10 county clerks pursuant to this subdivision in calendar years two thou-  
11 sand twelve and two thousand thirteen combined exceeds eighty-eight  
12 million five hundred thousand dollars, then the percentage of fees to be  
13 retained thereafter shall be reduced to a percentage that, if applied to  
14 the fees collected during calendar years two thousand twelve and two  
15 thousand thirteen combined, would have resulted in an aggregate  
16 retention of eighty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars or 2.5  
17 percent of enhanced internet and electronic partner revenue, whichever  
18 is higher. If the aggregate amount of fees retained by county clerks  
19 pursuant to this subdivision in calendar years two thousand twelve and  
20 two thousand thirteen combined is less than eighty-eight million five  
21 hundred thousand dollars, then the percentage of fees to be retained  
22 thereafter shall be increased to a percentage that, if applied to the  
23 fees collected during calendar years two thousand twelve and two thou-  
24 sand thirteen combined, would have resulted in an aggregate retention of  
25 eighty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars, or six percent of  
26 enhanced internet and electronic partner revenue, whichever is less. On  
27 and after April first, two thousand sixteen, the percent of enhanced  
28 internet and electronic partner revenue to be retained by county clerks  
29 shall be the average of the annual percentages that were in effect  
30 between April first, two thousand twelve and March thirty-first, two  
31 thousand sixteen.]  
32 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
33 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.