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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to fees for the registration or reregistration of an agricultural trailer

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 8 of section 401 of the vehicle  
2 and traffic law, as amended by section 13 of part G of chapter 59 of the  
3 laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:  
4     a. The provisions of this chapter in relation to registration books  
5 and registration, certificates of registration, number plates, dupli-  
6 cates of certificates and number plates, times of registration and  
7 reregistration and the duration thereof, for motor vehicles, shall apply  
8 also to trailers. The following fees shall be paid upon the registration  
9 or reregistration of a trailer, other than a coach or house trailer or a  
10 semitrailer, in accordance with the provisions of this article: The  
11 annual fee of five dollars and thirty-nine cents for each five hundred  
12 pounds or fraction thereof of maximum gross weight but in no case shall  
13 the annual fee be less than fourteen dollars and thirty-eight cents. The  
14 following fees shall be paid upon the registration or reregistration of  
15 a coach or house trailer in accordance with the provisions of this arti-  
16 cle: The annual fee of one dollar and seventy-three cents for each one  
17 hundred pounds or major fraction thereof of unladen weight but in no  
18 case shall the annual fee be less than twenty-one dollars and fifty-sev-  
19 en cents. THE FOLLOWING FEES SHALL BE PAID UPON THE REGISTRATION OR  
20 REREGISTRATION OF AN AGRICULTURAL TRAILER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE  
21 PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE: THE ANNUAL FEE OF TWO DOLLARS AND SEVENTY  
22 CENTS FOR EACH FIVE HUNDRED POUNDS OR FRACTION THEREOF OF MAXIMUM GROSS  
23 WEIGHT BUT IN NO CASE SHALL THE ANNUAL FEE BE LESS THAN SEVEN DOLLARS

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

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1 AND NINETEEN CENTS. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "AGRICULTURAL  
2 TRAILER" SHALL MEAN A TRAILER OWNED BY A PERSON ENGAGED IN PRODUCTION BY  
3 MEANS OF (I) THE PLANTING, CULTIVATION AND HARVESTING OF AGRICULTURAL,  
4 VEGETABLE AND FOOD PRODUCTS OF THE SOIL, INCLUDING HORTICULTURAL  
5 SPECIALTIES SUCH AS NURSING STOCK, ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS, ORNAMENTAL TREES  
6 AND FLOWERS, (II) THE RAISING, FEEDING AND CARE OF LIVESTOCK, BEES AND  
7 POULTRY OR (III) DAIRY FARMING. A TRAILER REGISTERED AS AN "AGRICULTURAL  
8 TRAILER" UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE OPERATED ON THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS  
9 ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH. SUCH AGRICULTURAL  
10 TRAILER SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HIS OR HER OWN  
11 AGRICULTURAL OR DAIRY COMMODITIES OR SUPPLIES OR USED IN CONJUNCTION  
12 WITH LUMBERING OPERATIONS CONNECTED WITH BUT ONLY INCIDENTAL TO THE  
13 OPERATION OF A FARM. The following fees shall be paid upon the registra-  
14 tion or reregistration of a semitrailer in accordance with provisions of  
15 this article: The annual fee of twenty-eight dollars and seventy-five  
16 cents. However, upon the request of the applicant upon the registration  
17 or renewal of a registration of a nineteen hundred eighty-nine or later  
18 model year semitrailer, such semitrailer may be registered for a period  
19 of not less than five and one-half nor more than six and one-half years  
20 for a fee of eighty-six dollars and twenty-five cents. A semitrailer,  
21 used with any device for converting it to a trailer, other than one  
22 being drawn by a tractor semitrailer combination as part of a double  
23 tandem combination, shall be registered as a trailer.

24 For the purposes of this paragraph, the unladen weight of a coach or  
25 house trailer shall include the weight of any equipment permanently  
26 attached to or installed in such trailer. Notwithstanding the foregoing  
27 provisions and pursuant to regulations and limitations to be established  
28 by the commissioner and upon payment of a fee of two dollars and thirty  
29 cents therefor a temporary permit to move a coach or house trailer on  
30 the public highways from one site to another shall be issued to the  
31 owner thereof upon application therefor. Such application shall be made  
32 in the manner prescribed by the commissioner.

33 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
34 it shall have become a law.