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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 12-14

"International Registration Plan Agreement Act of 1997".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P.L. 93-198 "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 12-19, on first and second readings, March 4, 1997 and May 6, 1997, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on May 23, 1997, pursuant to Section 404(e) of "the Act", and was assigned Act No. 12-91, and published in the June 27, 1997, edition of the D.C. Register (Vol. 44 page 3620) and transmitted to Congress on June 18, 1997 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 12-14, effective September 5, 1997.

LÍNDA W. CROPP Chairman of the Council

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D.C. ACT 12-91

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MAY 23, 1997

New Subchapter III, Chapter 1, Title 40

To provide for membership in the International Registration Plan pursuant to the federally mandated reciprocal registration requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 31704.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "International Registration Plan Agreement Act of 1997".

Sec. 2. Definitions.

New Section 40-121

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- (A) Is a power unit having two axles and a gross vehicle weight or registered gross vehicle weight in excess of 26,000 pounds;
 - (B) Is a power unit having three or more axles, regardless of weight; or
- (C) Is used in combination, when the weight of such combination exceeds 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight.
- (4) "Base jurisdiction" means, for purposes of fleet registration, the jurisdiction where the registrant has an established place of business, where mileage is accrued by the fleet, and where operational records of such fleet are maintained or can be made available in accordance with section 1602 of the International Registration Plan ("IRP").
- (5) "Base plate" means the plate issued by the base jurisdiction and shall be the only registration identification plate issued for the vehicle by any member jurisdiction.

- (6) "Combined Gross Vehicle Weight" ("CGVW") means the total unladen weight of a combination of vehicles and weight of the load carried on that combination of vehicles.
- (7) "Established place of business" means a physical structure owned, leased, or rented by the fleet registrant and used as his or her main office. The physical structure shall be designated by a street number or road location, be open during normal business hours, and have located within it:
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- (13) "Member jurisdiction" means a jurisdiction which has applied for membership and been accepted by all members of the IRP.
- (14) "Motor carrier" means an individual, partnership, or corporation engaged in the transportation of goods or persons.
- (15) "Owner" means any person, firm, or corporation other than the lienholder holding legal title to a vehicle.
- (16) "Properly registered vehicle" means a vehicle which has been registered in full compliance with the laws of all jurisdictions in which it is intended to operate.
- (17) "Reciprocity" means the reciprocal granting of rights and privileges to vehicles properly registered under the IRP and to vehicles not so registered if these vehicles are subject to separate reciprocity agreements, arrangements, declarations, or understandings.
- (18) "Trip permit" means a temporary permit issued by a jurisdiction in lieu of regular registration reciprocity.
- (19) "Uniform mileage schedule" means the official IRP form provided to record mileage by jurisdictions and total fleet miles derived from operational records.

Sec. 3. Reciprocal agreements.

New Section 40-122

- (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, the Mayor is authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements on behalf of the District of Columbia with duly authorized representatives of any jurisdiction of the United States or a foreign country, providing for the registration of vehicles on an apportionment or allocation basis. In the exercise of this authority, the Mayor is expressly authorized to enter into and become a member of the IRP, or such other designation that may, from time to time, be given to such a plan.
- (b) The IRP and any other agreements that this act authorizes the Mayor to enter into shall take precedence over any District of Columbia law or regulation that may be in conflict with these agreements.

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- (c) Vehicles qualifying for the IRP and engaged in interjurisdictional movement, but not apportioned or covered by reciprocity, shall acquire a trip permit prior to entering the District of Columbia.
- (d) Trucks and truck tractors, combinations of vehicles having a combined gross vehicle weight of 26,000 pounds or less, and buses used in transportation of chartered parties may be proportionally registered at the option of the registrant.

Sec. 5. Interjurisdictional and intrajurisdictional privileges.

New Section 40-124

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Sec. 6. Auditing.

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Section 8(f) of the District of Columbia Traffic Act, 1925, approved March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1123; D.C. Code § 40-303(f)), is repealed.

Sec. 9. Rules.

Within 90 days after enactment of this act, the Mayor shall issue rules to implement and enforce the provisions of this act pursuant to the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Code § 1-1501 et seq.).

Sec. 10. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code § 1-233(c)(3)).

Sec. 11. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), approval by the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995, approved April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; D.C. Code § 47-392.3(a)), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental

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Acting Chairman

Council of the District of Columbia

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APPROVED: May 23, 1997



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