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To amend the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937 to allow for the occasional pleasure driving of historic vehicles; and to amend Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to provide for periodic odometer checks of historic vehicles used for occasional pleasure driving and to provide for a penalty for exceeding the maximum occasional pleasure driving permitted by law.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Historic Motor Vehicle Amendment Act of 2008”.

Sec. 2. Title IV of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, approved August 17, 1937 (50 Stat. 679; D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 1 (D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.01) is amended as follows:

Amend
§ 50-1501.01

(1) A new subsection (j-1) is added to read as follows:

“(j-1) The term “class F(I) historic motor vehicle” means any motor vehicle whose manufacturer’s model year is at least 25 years old or any motor vehicle which is at least 15 years old and is a make of motor vehicle no longer manufactured; provided, that the motor vehicle has been or is being restored, preserved, or maintained as an exhibition or collector’s item because of its special historical value or significance, has not been substantially altered or modified from the manufacturer’s original specifications and is used on the public highways for the transportation of passengers or property for occasional pleasure driving or in conjunction with exhibitions, expositions, parades, tours, club activities, or similar activities or events, including transportation directly to or from such activities or events, not exceeding a total driving mileage under all conditions of 1,000 miles annually, but in no event used for general transportation. Motor vehicles which are less than 25 years old but which are 15 or more years old and which qualify as historic motor vehicles shall include the following makes, which are no longer manufactured: Kaiser, Hudson, DeSoto, Nash, Edsel, Studebaker and Packard.”

(2) Subsection (k) is amended by striking the phrase “historic motor vehicle” and inserting the phrase “class F(II) historic motor vehicle” in its place.

(b) Subsection 3(b) (D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.03(b)) is amended as follows:

Amend
§ 50-1501.03

(1) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking the phrase “passenger vehicle” and inserting the phrase “passenger vehicle, including a motor vehicle classified by the Mayor or his or her designated agent as a class F(I) historic motor vehicle which meets the criteria established under section 1(j-1)” in its place.

(2) Paragraph (6) is amended by striking the phrase “an historic motor vehicle” and inserting the phrase “a class F(II) historic motor vehicle” in its place.

Sec. 3. Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations is amended as follows:

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(a) Section 601 is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection 601.4(j) is amended to read as follows:

“(j) Vehicle registered as a class F(I) historic motor vehicle: one (1) time, at time of registration, plus an inspection limited to confirming the odometer reading every two (2) years;”

(2) Subsection 601.4(k) is amended to read as follows:

“(k) Vehicle registered as a class F(II) historic motor vehicle: one (1) time, at time of registration; and”.

(3) A new subsection 601.4(l) is added to read as follows:

“(l) All other motor vehicles: every two (2) years.”.

(b) Section 701 is amended by adding a new subsection 701.7 to read as follows:

“701.7 A vehicle registered as a class F(I) historic motor vehicle that exceeds the maximum mileage limits set forth in D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.01(j-1) shall have its registration suspended for a period of two (2) years or until such time as the owner registers the vehicle as a different class of vehicle, whichever is shorter. Such a vehicle shall not be registered as a class F(I) historic motor vehicle or class F(II) historic motor vehicle for a period of at least two (2) years from the date that its registration was suspended.”.

Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the December 1, 2008 fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

Sec. 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December

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24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

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District of Columbia