

1 AN ACT relating to driver licensing offices.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) In any county in which at least one (1) permanent Transportation Cabinet driver*
6 *licensing regional office is not located, the Transportation Cabinet shall expand*
7 *the availability of driver licensing services by either:*

8 *(a) Setting up a system in which the county clerk, through mutual agreement*
9 *between the clerk and the Transportation Cabinet, issues operator's licenses*
10 *and personal identification cards for residents of that county; or*

11 *(b) Establishing and maintaining at least one (1) permanent full-time driver*
12 *licensing office in any county where the county clerk chooses not to*
13 *participate under paragraph (a) of this subsection.*

14 *(2) In any county where the county clerk issues operator's licenses and personal*
15 *identification cards pursuant to subsection (1)(a) of this section, the fees*
16 *proscribed by KRS 186.531 shall apply and the county clerk shall retain five*
17 *dollars (\$5) from the portion of the fees directed to the License Fund, for each*
18 *document request processed.*

19 ➔Section 2. KRS 186.531 is amended to read as follows:

20 (1) As used in this section:

21 (a) "GF" means the general fund;

22 (b) "IP" means instruction permit;

23 (c) "License Fund" or "LF" means the KYTC photo license account created in
24 KRS 174.056;

25 (d) "MC" means motorcycle;

26 (e) "MC Fund" or "MCF" means the motorcycle safety education program fund
27 established in KRS 176.5065;

- 1 (f) "OL" means operator's license; and
- 2 (g) "PIDC" means personal identification card.

3 (2) The fees imposed for voluntary travel ID operator's licenses, instruction permits,
 4 and personal identification cards shall be as follows. The fees received shall be
 5 distributed as shown in the table. The fees shown, unless otherwise noted, are for an
 6 eight (8) year period:

7 Card Type	Fee	LF	GF	MCF
8 OL (initial/renewal)	\$48	\$48	\$0	\$0
9 OL (Under 21) (Up to 4 years)	\$18	\$18	\$0	\$0
10 Any OL, MC, or combination				
11 (duplicate/corrected)	\$15	\$13.25	\$1.75	\$0
12 Motor vehicle IP (3 years)	\$18	\$16	\$2	\$0
13 Motorcycle IP (1 year)	\$18	\$13	\$1	\$4
14 Motorcycle OL (initial/renewal)	\$48	\$38	\$0	\$10
15 Combination vehicle/MC OL				
16 (initial/renewal)	\$58	\$48	\$0	\$10
17 PIDC (initial/renewal)	\$28	\$25	\$3	\$0
18 PIDC (duplicate/corrected)	\$15	\$13.50	\$1.50	\$0

19 (3) Except as provided in subsection (10) of this section, the fees imposed for standard
 20 operator's licenses, instruction permits, and personal identification cards shall be as
 21 follows and, unless otherwise noted, are for an eight (8) year period:

22 Card Type	Fee	LF	GF	MCF
23 OL (initial/renewal)	\$43	\$43	\$0	\$0
24 OL (Under 21) (Up to 4 years)	\$15	\$15	\$0	\$0
25 Any OL, MC, or combination				
26 (duplicate/corrected)	\$15	\$13.25	\$1.75	\$0
27 Motor vehicle IP (3 years)	\$15	\$13	\$2	\$0

1	Motorcycle IP (1 year)	\$15	\$10	\$1	\$4
2	Motorcycle OL (initial/renewal)	\$43	\$33	\$0	\$10
3	Combination vehicle/MC OL				
4	(initial/renewal)	\$53	\$43	\$0	\$10
5	PIDC (initial/renewal)	\$23	\$20	\$3	\$0
6	PIDC (duplicate/corrected)	\$15	\$13.50	\$1.50	\$0
7	PIDC (no fixed address) under				
8	KRS 186.4122(5)/186.4123(5)				
9	(initial, duplicate, or corrected)	\$5	\$5	\$0	\$0

10 (4) The fee for a four (4) year original or renewal license issued pursuant to KRS
 11 186.4101 shall be fifty percent (50%) of the amount shown in subsections (2) and
 12 (3) of this section. The distribution of fees shown in subsections (2) and (3) of this
 13 section shall also be reduced by fifty percent (50%) for licenses that are issued for
 14 four (4) years.

15 (5) Any fee for any identity document applied for using alternative technology under
 16 KRS 186.410 and 186.4122 shall be distributed in the same manner as a document
 17 applied for in person with the cabinet.

18 (6) (a) An applicant for an original or renewal operator's license, permit, commercial
 19 driver's license, motorcycle operator's license, or personal identification card
 20 shall be requested by the cabinet to make a donation to promote an organ
 21 donor program.

22 (b) The donation under this subsection shall be added to the regular fee for an
 23 original or renewal motor vehicle operator's license, permit, commercial
 24 driver's license, motorcycle operator's license, or personal identification card.
 25 One (1) donation may be made per issuance or renewal of a license or any
 26 combination thereof.

27 (c) The fee shall be paid to the cabinet and shall be forwarded by the cabinet on a

1 monthly basis to the Kentucky Circuit Court Clerks' Trust for Life, and such
2 moneys are hereby appropriated to be used exclusively for the purpose of
3 promoting an organ donor program. A donation under this subsection shall be
4 voluntary and may be refused by the applicant at the time of issuance or
5 renewal.

6 (7) In addition to the fees outlined in this section, the following individuals, upon
7 application for an initial or renewal operator's license, instruction permit, or
8 personal identification card, shall pay an additional application fee of thirty dollars
9 (\$30), which shall be deposited in the photo license account:

10 (a) An applicant who is not a United States citizen or permanent resident and who
11 applies under KRS 186.4121 or 186.4123; or

12 (b) An applicant who is applying for a instruction permit, operator's license, or
13 personal identification card without a photo under KRS 186.4102(9).

14 (8) (a) Except for individuals exempted under paragraph (c) of this subsection, an
15 applicant for relicensing after revocation or suspension shall pay a
16 reinstatement fee of forty dollars (\$40).

17 (b) The reinstatement fee under this subsection shall be distributed by the State
18 Treasurer as follows:

19 1. Thirty-five dollars (\$35) shall be deposited into the photo license
20 account; and

21 2. Five dollars (\$5) shall be deposited into a trust and agency fund to be
22 used in defraying the costs and expenses of administering a driver
23 improvement program for problem drivers.

24 (c) This subsection shall not apply to:

25 1. Any person whose license was suspended for failure to meet the
26 conditions set out in KRS 186.411 when, within one (1) year of
27 suspension, the driving privileges of the individual are reinstated; or

1 2. A student who has had his or her license revoked pursuant to KRS
2 159.051.

3 (9) As payment for any fee identified in this section, the cabinet:

4 (a) Shall accept cash and personal checks;

5 (b) May accept other methods of payment in accordance with KRS 45.345; and

6 (c) May enter into billing agreements with homeless shelters, health care
7 facilities, or social service agencies that serve individuals without an
8 established and fixed nighttime residence of regular return.

9 (10) There shall be no fee assessed for the initial, renewal, or duplicate standard personal
10 identification card to an individual, if the individual:

11 (a) Does not possess a valid operator's license or a commercial driver's license;
12 and

13 (b) Is at least eighteen (18) years of age on or before the next regular election.

14 **(11) For any document issued by a county clerk in accordance with Section 1 of this**
15 **Act, the county clerk shall retain five dollars (\$5) from the portion of the fees**
16 **imposed by this section that are directed to the License Fund.**

17 ➔Section 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 2025.