HOUSE BILL NO. 5428

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A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

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by amending section 805 (MCL 257.805), as amended by 2021 PA 96.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 805. (1) An applicant for the issuance or renewal of a motor vehicle registration or for a replacement registration tab or sticker may submit a state park and state-operated public boating access site-recreation passport fee to the secretary of state with the application. Subject to subsection (7), (8), the amount of the

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recreation passport fee is as follows:

(a) Except as **otherwise** provided in subdivision (b) or (c), this subsection, \$10.00.

- (b) For a motorcycle, \$5.00.
- (c) (b) For an individual who obtains a 2-year vehicle registration under section 226(14), \$20.00.2 times the amount in subdivision (a) or (b), as applicable.
 - (c) For a motorcycle, \$5.00.
- (2) In—Subject to subsection (8), in addition to the requirements of section 217, an application for a motor vehicle registration must contain at least the following information, in substantially the following format and language or similar language agreed to by the secretary of state and the director of the department of natural resources, except that the amount of the recreation passport fee specified must be \$20.00 for a vehicle registered for 2 years under section 226(14) and \$5.00 for a motorcycle:the amount calculated under subsection (1), as applicable:
- \$\(\)\$ \$[Amount] Annual vehicle registration or renewal **and annual**\$10.00 recreation passport fee to use this vehicle
 for unlimited entry into all Michigan state parks
 and recreation areas and DNR-operated state boating
 access sites.
- 24 \$10.00 Annual authorization to use this vehicle for
 25 unlimited entry into all Michigan state parks
 26 and recreation areas and DNR-operated state
 27 boating access sites. (Check one of the
 28 boxes below.)

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I elect to pay this \$10.00 fee.

- Total amount due.

- (3) The secretary of state may revise the format and language of an application for motor vehicle registration to reflect the fact that, under sections 74116 and 78119 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.74116 and 324.78119, payment of the recreation passport fee authorizes entry into all state parks and recreation areas and designated state-operated public boating access sites until expiration of the motor vehicle registration.
- (4) If the applicant applies by mail and, in addition to the registration fee, the applicant pays an amount equal to the recreation passport fee, the applicant shall be considered to have has elected to pay the recreation passport fee. regardless of whether such an election is indicated on the application.
- (5) If the applicant would like to request a refund of the recreation passport fee, they must do so in written form sent to the department of natural resources within 30 days of registering or renewing registration of the applicant's vehicle.
- (6) (5)—Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to any of the following:
- (a) An application submitted by a dealer under section 217 for a vehicle sold, leased, or exchanged by the dealer.
- (b) The issuance or renewal of a motor vehicle registration described in section 803e(1) and exempt under section 803e(6) from the registration tax or the issuance or renewal of a motor vehicle registration described in section 217d or 803f.

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- (7) (6)—The secretary of state shall, at least monthly, transfer the revenue from recreation passport fees to the department of natural resources for deposit as provided in section 2045 of the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.2045.
- (8) (7) For By August 1 of each calendar year, the state treasurer shall adjust the amounts set forth in subsection (1) by an amount determined by the state treasurer to reflect the cumulative percentage change in the Consumer Price Index from October 1, 2010 to the October 1 immediately preceding that calendar year, using the most recent data available and rounded to the nearest dollar.
- (9) (8)—The legislature shall annually review the amount of revenue raised by the recreation passport fee to ensure that the amount is appropriate for the purposes for which the recreation passport fee is assessed and in compliance with law.
- (10) (9)—If the secretary of state issues a registration tab or sticker for a registration plate or personalized registration plate under section 224 or 803b for a motor vehicle that had a recreation passport fee paid under this section, the tab or sticker must be marked in a distinctive manner determined by the secretary of state after consultation with the director of the department of natural resources and the department of state police. Before discontinuing the issuance of a registration tab or sticker, the secretary of state shall—must consult with the director of the department of natural resources and establish an alternative method or procedure the department of natural resources can use to determine whether a recreation passport fee has been paid for a motor vehicle.

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- (11) (10) Whether or not an individual paid or indicated that he or she elected to pay or not to pay requested a refund under subsection (5) for a recreation passport fee under this section is personal information for purposes of section 40b.
 - (12) $\frac{(11)}{}$ As used in this section:

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- (a) "Consumer Price Index" means the most comprehensive index of consumer prices available for this state from the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.
- (b) "Motor vehicle" does not include a commercial motor vehicle.
- 11 (c) "Recreation passport fee" means the state park and state
 12 operated public boating access site recreation passport fee as

 13 provided for in subsection (1).