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**An Act To Reduce Registration Fees and Excise Taxes for For-hire  
Vehicles with Adaptive Equipment Enabling Access by Persons with  
Disabilities**

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Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative VEROW of Brewer.  
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin and  
Representatives: DAVITT of Hampden, PETERSON of Rumford, SCHNECK of Bangor,  
STANLEY of Medway.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and  
3 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 **3. Passenger vehicles for hire.** The fee for a passenger vehicle used for hire is  
5 double the fee provided in subsection 1, except that for a passenger vehicle used for hire  
6 that is equipped with adaptive equipment to make that vehicle accessible by a person with  
7 a disability the fee is the same fee provided in subsection 1. The Secretary of State may  
8 issue a 2nd registration for the same vehicle at no additional fee.

9 **Sec. 2. 36 MRSA §1483, sub-§15**, as amended by PL 2007, c. 404, §2 and  
10 affected by §4, is further amended to read:

11 **15. Adaptive equipment.** Adaptive equipment installed on a motor vehicle owned  
12 by a disabled person or the family of a disabled person or by a carrier engaged in  
13 furnishing passenger service for hire to make that vehicle operable or accessible by a  
14 disabled person; and

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill exempts from the motor vehicle excise tax adaptive equipment installed on a  
17 motor vehicle owned by a carrier engaged in furnishing passenger service for hire. It also  
18 reduces by half the motor vehicle registration fee of a passenger vehicle used for hire that  
19 is equipped with adaptive equipment to make that vehicle operable or accessible by a  
20 person with a disability.