

## **SENATE BILL 508:**

2023 Budget Technical/Other Corrections, Sec. 10.1:

## Clarify Division of Motor Vehicles Authority to Implement Transaction Fees on Electronic Payments

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Analysis of: Sec. 10.1 of S.L. 2024-1
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OVERVIEW: Section 10.1 of S.L. 2024-1 makes a clarifying change to a provision enacted in 2023 authorizing the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to add transaction fees to electronic payment transactions. This section makes clear this fee authority applies to all electronic payments accepted by the DMV, notwithstanding a separate general statutory provision governing electronic transaction fees implemented by public agencies.

This section became effective July 1, 2024.

**CURRENT LAW:** In 2023, the General Assembly enacted a provision directing the DMV to develop a plan for adding a fee to transactions where it accepts electronic payment to offset any service charge the DMV pays for electronic payment service and to submit the plan to the General Assembly. It also authorized the DMV to charge a transaction fee of up to 2% of the electronic payment beginning July 1, 2024.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Section 10.1 of S.L. 2024-1 amends the previously enacted provision authorizing the DMV to add transaction fees to electronic payment transactions to make clear that this authority applies to all electronic payments, whether they are made in person or by any other means of electronic access, notwithstanding another general provision of law that governs electronic transactions and fees implemented by public agencies.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This section became effective July 1, 2024.

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