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Abstract: Increases the fees collected at the sale of certain tires and increases the reimbursement to the waste tire processors.

<u>Present law</u> provides that \$2 per passenger/light truck tire, \$5 per medium truck tire, and \$10 per off-road tire be collected for every tire sold. Specifies that these fees are deposited into the Waste Tire Management Fund which is used to operate the waste tire program in the Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ). One aspect of that program is to reimburse waste tire processors from the fund for scrapping waste tires generated within the state.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the fee on a passenger/light truck tire <u>from</u> \$2 <u>to</u> \$3 and the fee on a medium truck tire <u>from</u> \$5 <u>to</u> \$7.50.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the secretary to provide for fee exemptions for certain tires. <u>Proposed law</u> retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> requires a permitted waste tire processing facility to be paid a minimum of .075 ¢ per pound of waste tire material that is recycled or that reaches end market uses or per pound of whole waste tires that are recycled or reaches end market uses.

Proposed law changes the minimum payment from $.075 \not c$ to $9 \not c$.

(Amends R.S. 30:2418(I)(1) and (2))