

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 694

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS

FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS: Provides for the resale of catalytic converters

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1970(C)(2), relative to the resale of catalytic converters; to
3 require documents of origin; to require the payment of a fee under certain
4 circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:1970(C)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1970. Statement by seller required; failure to exact statement evidence of
8 fraudulent intent; exoneration from criminal knowledge; documents of origin
9 or fee for catalytic converters

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13 (2)(a) The statement shall include the name of the company or governmental
14 entity consenting to the sale and the name, employee number, and phone number of
15 the person signing the statement authorizing the sale. The operator shall attempt to
16 verify the authenticity of the statement authorizing the sale of the materials. The
17 statement shall be retained by the operator.

18 (b) In addition to the statements required in Subsection A of this Section and
19 this Paragraph, an operator shall require a person attempting to sell a catalytic
20 converter to provide documents of origin sufficient to prove that the catalytic

1 converter is not stolen property or to pay a five hundred dollar fee in lieu of the
2 documents of origin. The monies collected from the fee shall be invested by the state
3 treasurer in the same manner as monies in the general fund and shall be deposited
4 into the state general fund.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Regulates the resale of catalytic converters.

Present law requires scrap metal recyclers to obtain a statement from sellers of certain materials, in part, attesting that the property is not stolen.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a requirement that a person selling a catalytic convertor provide documents of origin.

Proposed law provides that if the seller does not provide the required documents, he shall instead pay a fee of \$500.

Proposed law provides that monies collected from the fee shall be deposited into the state general fund.

(Amends R.S. 37:1970(C)(2))