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**HOUSE BILL 19-1138**

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**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**Williams D. and Melton**, Humphrey

**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**(None)**,

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**House Committees**

Transportation & Local Government  
Finance

**Senate Committees**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE CREDIT AN OWNER OF A VEHICLE MAY RECEIVE FOR**  
102                    **FEES PAID TO REGISTER A MOTOR VEHICLE WHEN THE VEHICLE**  
103                    **IS SOLD BEFORE THE REGISTRATION EXPIRES.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law allows a prorated credit for the taxes paid on a vehicle that is sold before the registration year ends. The credit is applied to vehicles subsequently registered. The bill broadens this credit to cover most registration fees.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-107, **amend**  
3 (25) as follows:

4           **42-3-107. Taxable value of classes of property - rate of tax -**  
5 **when and where payable - department duties - apportionment of tax**  
6 **collections - definitions - rules - repeal.** (25) (a) (I) EXCEPT AS  
7 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (25)(b) OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT  
8 SHALL ALLOW a credit ~~shall be allowed~~ for taxes AND REGISTRATION FEES  
9 paid on any item of Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D, or Class F  
10 personal property if the owner disposes of the vehicle during the  
11 registration period or if the owner converts the vehicle from any class of  
12 personal property to Class F property. The credit may apply to payments  
13 of taxes AND REGISTRATION FEES on a subsequent application by the  
14 owner for registration of an item of Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D,  
15 or Class F personal property made during the registration period, or THE  
16 CREDIT may be assigned by the owner to the transferee of the property for  
17 which taxes OR REGISTRATION FEES were paid; except that, when the  
18 transferee is a dealer in new or used vehicles, the transferee shall account  
19 to the owner for any assignment of the credit.

20           (II) The credit ~~shall be~~ AUTHORIZED BY THIS SUBSECTION (25)(a)  
21 IS prorated based on the number of months remaining in the registration  
22 period after the ~~transfer, and~~ CONVERSION, OR disposal of the vehicle. The  
23 PRORATION calculation for the credit ~~shall be determined by using the~~  
24 ~~period beginning~~ BEGINS with the first day of the month following the  
25 ~~date of~~ AFTER THE ~~transfer, through~~ CONVERSION, OR DISPOSAL AND ENDS  
26 the last day of the month ~~for the period~~ for which the vehicle was

1 registered.

2 (III) ~~Specific ownership tax~~ THE CREDIT ~~WILL BE~~ IS ALLOWED ONLY IF  
3 the total ownership tax AND REGISTRATION FEE CREDIT DUE EXCEEDS TEN  
4 DOLLARS.

5 (b) THE CREDIT AUTHORIZED IN SUBSECTION (25)(a) OF THIS  
6 SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO FEES IMPOSED IN SECTIONS 42-3-301,  
7 42-3-304 (5), (6), (7), (19), AND (22), 42-3-312, AND 42-3-313.

8 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date -**  
9 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect January 1, 2020; except that, if a  
10 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
11 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
12 within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general  
13 assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless  
14 approved by the people at the general election to be held in November  
15 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official  
16 declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

17 (2) This act applies to taxes or fees due on or after the applicable  
18 effective date of this act.