

Driver and Vehicle Services Update

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PA Turnpike Commission - Unpaid Toll Suspensions

Act 165, signed into law on November 4, 2016, allows PennDOT to suspend Pennsylvania registrations for individuals who did not pay tolls or related fines received in Pennsylvania.

As a reminder, effective on August 4, 2017, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission is able to request PennDOT to suspend a vehicle registration until the unpaid fees are addressed. PennDOT will issue registration suspensions for individuals passing through tolling locations without paying the appropriate fees, when a vehicle has accumulated either:

- Six or more PA toll violations; or,
- PA toll violations, fees, and costs exceed \$500.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission will inform the vehicle owner or registrant of the unpaid amounts, and provide the opportunity to pay those amounts, or to be heard in an administrative proceeding. If that effort yields no results, the Turnpike Commission can request PennDOT to suspend the registration of the vehicle until the monies due are paid.

The Act also allows PennDOT, where reciprocal agreements with other states are in place, to request those states take appropriate action on the registration of any vehicle registered in their state when that vehicle owner or registrant owes at least the minimum in unpaid tolls in Pennsylvania. Further, it allows those states to request the suspension of registrations of Pennsylvania vehicles owing unpaid tolls and fines in their states.

All payments of tolls, fees, and restoration fees (if applicable) must be made to the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission only. Customers may call the PA Turnpike Commission, at 1-877-736-6727 and select Option 5, to obtain specific information regarding these unpaid tolls.

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