Notice to the Yale Community

Regarding Automobiles
Registered Out-of-State and
Kept in Connecticut and
Municipal Property Taxes

The State of Connecticut authorizes municipalities to levy a tax on personal property, especially automobiles. Due to Connecticut law, which has long been in effect, automobiles owned by residents of other states and registered elsewhere are subject to this tax if the automobile is kept in the State of Connecticut for more than 90 days.

To assure equity with the hundreds of thousands of other Connecticut residents who pay this tax based on their state registration, some municipalities assess this tax against vehicles registered out-of-state that are kept here.

Many such vehicles are in and around Connecticut campuses. All colleges have been asked to remind interested persons of the need to pay personal property tax on vehicles registered out-of-state that are garaged locally for more than 90 days.

Owners of such vehicles are required to list the automobile with the appropriate city or town tax assessor, which in the case of New Haven can be done at City Hall at 165 Church Street. If you have any questions regarding this matter, you should inquire at the relevant tax assessor’s office in your town.