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# PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 239

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) blue bold italics is new language in the original bill; (2) <u>GREEN BOLD ITALIC UNDERLINING</u> is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) red strikethrough is deleted language in the original bill; (4) green bold double strikethrough is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment and (5) green bold dashed underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment.

MARCH 5, 2003

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for issuance of special permit to display vintage license plate on front of certain motor vehicles. (BDR 43-126)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government; No. Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets to material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish a procedure pursuant to which the owner of a motor vehicle that is at least 25 years old may obtain a special permit to display a vintage license plate on the front of that motor vehicle under certain circumstances; requiring the

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Department to impose a reasonable fee for the issuance of such a special permit; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. The Department shall establish a procedure pursuant to which an owner of a motor vehicle that is at least 25 years old MANUFACTURED ON OR BEFORE 1942 MAY may apply for a special permit authorizing the owner to display a vintage license plates on the front of that motor vehicle. The Director of the Department shall, by regulation, set forth the circumstances under which a person who holds such a special permit may display a vintage license plate on the front of the motor vehicle.
- 2. The procedure established pursuant to subsection 1 must provide that an applicant MUST PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT is authorized to receive such a special permit upon:
  - (a) Submission of a completed application;
  - (b) Payment of the fee described in subsection 4; and
- (c) Signing a declaration in which the applicant affirms that he will affix a vintage license plates to the front of the motor vehicle only under the circumstances authorized by the Department for the display of a vintage license plate.
- 3. A special permit issued pursuant to this section is valid for a period of 1 year and may be renewed upon payment of the fee described in subsection 4.
- 4. The Department shall impose a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$35, for the issuance and renewal of a special permit THE REGISTRATION OF THE VINTAGE LICENSE PLATE pursuant to this section. The fee described in this subsection is in addition to any registration fee and governmental services tax that the owner of the motor vehicle is required to pay to register that motor vehicle.
- 5. The provisions of this section do not relieve a person of the duty to display on the rear of a motor vehicle a license plate that:
  - (a) Is not a vintage license plate; and
- 31 (b) Contains the required sticker, tab or other suitable device 32 indicating the current registration of the motor vehicle.

#### New language:

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- A vintage license plate must be
- a. The same year of issuance as the year of the motor vehicle to which it is being affixed;
- b. An authentic Nevada plate restored, reproduced, or original of the exact color, design, and size as the original design of that year's license plate design;
- c. In a condition that allows easy identification of the entire plate.

All vintage license plates must be presented in person to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the inspection for authenticity and legibility and confirmation that the plate number is not currently issued to another active registrant. Vintage license plates may not be transferred to another vehicles except one that meets the requirements of this provision.

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- 6. The Director of the Department may adopt such additional regulations as he determines are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 7. As used in this section, "vintage license plate" means a license plate of a design that:

(a) Is not currently prepared or issued by the Department; and

(b) Has been reproduced to appear as it appeared at the time of issuance.

Sec. 2. NRS 482.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 482.265 1. The Department shall furnish to every owner whose vehicle is registered two license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or power cycle, and one license plate for all other vehicles required to be registered hereunder. Upon renewal of registration, the Department may issue one or more license plate stickers, tabs or other suitable devices in lieu of new license plates.
- 2. [The] Except with respect to vintage license plates, the use of which is authorized pursuant to section 1 of this act, the Director shall have the authority to require the return to the Department of all number plates upon termination of the lawful use thereof by the owner under this chapter.

3. Except as otherwise specifically provided by statute, for the issuance of each special license plate authorized pursuant to this chapter:

- (a) The fee to be received by the Department for the initial issuance of the special license plate is \$35, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate funds for a particular cause or charitable organization;
- (b) The fee to be received by the Department for the renewal of the special license plate is \$10, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate financial support for a particular cause or charitable organization; and
- (c) The Department shall not design, prepare or issue a special license plate unless, within 4 years after the date on which the measure authorizing the issuance becomes effective, it receives at least 250 applications for the issuance of that plate.
  - Sec. 3. NRS 482.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.275 1. [The] Except as otherwise provided in section 1 of this act, the license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, power cycle or motor vehicle being transported by a licensed vehicle transporter must be attached thereto, one in the front and the other in the rear. The license plate issued for all other vehicles required to be registered must be attached to the rear of the vehicle. The license plates must be so displayed during the current calendar year or registration period.
- 2. Every license plate must at all times be securely fastened to the vehicle to which it is assigned so as to prevent the plate from swinging and

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at a height not less than 12 inches from the ground, measuring from the bottom of such plate, in a place and position to be clearly visible, and must be maintained free from foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible.

3. Any license plate which is issued to a vehicle transporter or a dealer, rebuilder or manufacturer may be attached to a vehicle owned or controlled by that person by a secure means. No license plate may be displayed loosely in the window or by any other unsecured method in any motor vehicle.

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