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CARE, HARDY, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN,
SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER AND TOWNSEND

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for issuance of special license plates for
support of naturalized citizenship. (BDR 43-1087)

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

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

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; providing for the issuance of
special license plates for the support of naturalized
citizenship; imposing a fee for the issuance and renewal
of such license plates; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
3 1. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the*
4 *Department, in cooperation with the Immigrant Workers*
5 *Citizenship Project or its successor, shall design, prepare and*
6 *issue license plates for the support of naturalized citizenship,*
7 *using any colors and designs that the Department deems*



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1 appropriate. The design of the license plates must include a
2 depiction of the Aztec Calendar. The Department shall not design,
3 prepare or issue the license plates unless it receives at least 1,000
4 applications for the issuance of those plates.

5 2. If the Department receives at least 1,000 applications for
6 the issuance of license plates for the support of naturalized
7 citizenship, the Department shall issue those plates for a passenger
8 car or light commercial vehicle upon application by a person who
9 is entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who
10 otherwise complies with the requirements for registration and
11 licensing pursuant to this chapter. A person may request that
12 personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS
13 482.3667 be combined with license plates for the support of
14 naturalized citizenship if that person pays the fees for the
15 personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees for the
16 license plates for the support of naturalized citizenship pursuant to
17 subsections 3 and 4.

18 3. The fee for license plates for the support of naturalized
19 citizenship is \$35, in addition to all other applicable registration
20 and license fees and governmental services taxes. The license
21 plates are renewable upon the payment of \$10.

22 4. In addition to all other applicable registration and license
23 fees and governmental services taxes and the fee prescribed in
24 subsection 3, a person who requests a set of license plates for the
25 support of naturalized citizenship must pay for the initial issuance
26 of the plates an additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the
27 plates an additional fee of \$20, to be distributed pursuant to
28 subsection 5.

29 5. The Department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to
30 subsection 4 with the State Treasurer for credit to the State
31 General Fund. The State Treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis,
32 distribute the fees deposited pursuant to this subsection to the
33 Immigrant Workers Citizenship Project or its successor for its
34 programs and charitable activities in support of naturalized
35 citizenship.

36 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of license plates
37 issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the
38 vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:

39 (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that
40 meets the requirements of this section if the holder pays the fee for
41 the transfer of the registration and any registration fee or
42 governmental services tax due pursuant to NRS 482.399; or

43 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
44 return them to the Department.



1 **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.216 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 482.216 1. Upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the
3 Department may authorize the new vehicle dealer to:
4 (a) Accept applications for the registration of the new motor
5 vehicles he sells and the related fees and taxes;
6 (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the
7 requirements of this chapter; and
8 (c) Accept applications for the transfer of registration pursuant
9 to NRS 482.399 if the applicant purchased from the new vehicle
10 dealer a new vehicle to which the registration is to be transferred.
11 2. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates
12 of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall:
13 (a) Transmit the applications he receives to the Department
14 within the period prescribed by the Department;
15 (b) Transmit the fees he collects from the applicants and
16 properly account for them within the period prescribed by the
17 Department;
18 (c) Comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection
19 4; and
20 (d) Bear any cost of equipment which is necessary to issue
21 certificates of registration, including any computer hardware or
22 software.
23 3. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates
24 of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall not:
25 (a) Charge any additional fee for the performance of those
26 services;
27 (b) Receive compensation from the Department for the
28 performance of those services;
29 (c) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a motor
30 vehicle; or
31 (d) Accept an application for the registration of a motor vehicle
32 if the applicant wishes to:
33 (1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667
34 to 482.3825, inclusive ~~§~~, *and section 1 of this act*; or
35 (2) Claim the exemption from the governmental services tax
36 provided pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.
37 4. The Director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to
38 carry out the provisions of this section. The regulations adopted
39 pursuant to this subsection must provide for:
40 (a) The expedient and secure issuance of license plates and
41 decals by the Department; and
42 (b) The withdrawal of the authority granted to a new vehicle
43 dealer pursuant to subsection 1 if that dealer fails to comply with the
44 regulations adopted by the Department.



1 **Sec. 3.** NRS 482.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 482.500 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or 3,
3 whenever upon application any duplicate or substitute certificate of
4 registration, decal or number plate is issued, the following fees must
5 be paid:

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- 7 For a certificate of registration \$5.00
- 8 For every substitute number plate or set of plates..... 5.00
- 9 For every duplicate number plate or set of plates 10.00
- 10 For every decal displaying a county name..... .50
- 11 For every other decal, license plate sticker or tab 5.00

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13 2. The following fees must be paid for any replacement plate or
14 set of plates issued for the following special license plates:

15 (a) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667,
16 482.3672, 482.3675, 482.370 to 482.376, inclusive, or 482.379 to
17 482.3816, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, a fee of \$10.

18 (b) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.368,
19 482.3765, 482.377 or 482.378, a fee of \$5.

20 (c) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.37937 and
21 482.37945, for any souvenir license plate issued pursuant to NRS
22 482.3825 or sample license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.2703,
23 a fee equal to that established by the Director for the issuance of
24 those plates.

25 3. A fee must not be charged for a duplicate or substitute of a
26 decal issued pursuant to NRS 482.37635.

27 4. The fees which are paid for duplicate number plates and
28 decals displaying county names must be deposited with the State
29 Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund and allocated to the
30 Department to defray the costs of duplicating the plates and
31 manufacturing the decals.

32 5. As used in this section:

33 (a) "Duplicate number plate" means a license plate or a set of
34 license plates issued to a registered owner which repeat the code of
35 a plate or set of plates previously issued to the owner to maintain his
36 registration using the same code.

37 (b) "Substitute number plate" means a license plate or a set of
38 license plates issued in place of a previously issued and unexpired
39 plate or set of plates. The plate or set of plates does not repeat the
40 code of the previously issued plate or set.

41 **Sec. 4.** On or before October 1, 2005, the Department of
42 Motor Vehicles shall determine and publicly declare the number of
43 applications it has received for the issuance of license plates
44 pursuant to section 1 of this act.



1 **Sec. 5.** The amendatory provisions of this act expire by
2 limitation on October 1, 2005, if on that date the Department of
3 Motor Vehicles has received fewer than 1,000 applications for the
4 issuance of license plates pursuant to section 1 of this act.

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