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Introduced by Senators Pridnia Koivisto and McManus

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 665

AN ACT to amend section 803m of Act No 300 of the Public Acts of 1949 entitled as amended An act to provide for the registration titling sale transfer and regulation of certain vehicles operated upon the public highways of this state or any other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles and distressed vehicles to provide for the licensing of dealers to provide for the examination licensing and control of operators and chauffeurs to provide for the giving of proof of financial responsibility and security by owners and operators of vehicles to provide for the imposition levy and collection of specific taxes on vehicles and the levy and collection of sales and use taxes license fees and permit fees to provide for the regulation and use of streets and highways to create certain funds to provide penalties and sanctions for a violation of this act to provide for civil liability of owners and operators of vehicles and service of process on residents and nonresidents to provide for the levy of certain assessments to provide for the enforcement of this act to provide for the creation of and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies to repeal all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act or contrary to this act and to repeal certain parts of this act on a specific date as added by Act No 111 of the Public Acts of 1989 being section 257 803m of the Michigan Compiled Laws and to add section 811c

The People of the State of Michigan enact

Section 1 Section 803m of Act No 300 of the Public Acts of 1949 as added by Act No 111 of the Public Acts of 1989 being section 257 803m of the Michigan Compiled Laws is amended and section 811c is added to read as follows

Sec 803m (1) The secretary of state may issue 2 special organization motor vehicle registration plates to an applicant for use on a passenger motor vehicle pickup truck van or motor home for which the plates are issued instead of standard plates A special organization motor vehicle registration plate is a registration plate issued by the secretary of state that bears on its face the symbol or emblem of an organization

(2) Special organization plates shall bear letters and numbers as the secretary of state prescribes Special organization plates may contain the symbol of the organization to the left of the plate number The secretary of state shall not issue a letter combination or permit the use of a symbol which might carry a connotation offensive to good taste and decency The special organization plates shall be made of the same material as standard plates Special organization plates shall not be a duplication of another registration plate

(3) In order to qualify its members to receive special organization plates an organization shall meet all of the following criteria

- (a) Be a nonprofit fraternal or public service organization
- (b) Certify that it consists of not less than 500 members and that not less than 500 members will apply for special organization registration plates
- (c) Have a recognizable state national or international symbol or emblem of the organization

(d) Submit a service fee of \$500.00 for the initial manufacture of the symbols or emblems for the special registration plates

(e) Not practice or influence others to practice any form of discrimination prohibited by the Elliott Larsen civil rights act Act No. 453 of the Public Acts of 1976 being sections 37.2101 to 37.2804 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

(4) If an organization meets the criteria set forth in subsection (3) the organization may request the secretary of state to manufacture special organization registration plates for its members. A request shall be accompanied by all of the following:

(a) A copy of the organization's charter and bylaws, if any

(b) A statement of the organization's consent to use of the organization's symbol or emblem on special organization plates. The statement shall be signed by the president or chief executive officer of the organization

(c) A sample of the organization's symbol or emblem

(d) The name of the organization's representative who will serve as a contact person with the secretary of state

(5) A member of an organization which has met the criteria set forth in subsection (3) shall individually make application for a special organization plate and submit with the application the organization's confirmation of membership on a form provided by the secretary of state

(6) An application for a special organization registration plate shall be submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to the procedures prescribed in section 217. In addition to the regular registration fee, each application for a new special organization plate shall be accompanied by a service fee of \$25.00. The service fee prescribed in this subsection shall not be charged in connection with an application for a renewal tab for an existing special organization plate. A special organization registration plate shall expire as provided in section 226

(7) Each service fee collected under this section shall be deposited in the state treasury and shall be credited to the Michigan transportation fund. After deducting manufacturing and administrative costs, the service fees shall be allocated pursuant to section 10 of Act No. 51 of the Public Acts of 1951 being section 247.660 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

(8) The secretary of state may issue a temporary registration permit to a person who submits an application and the proper fees for a special organization plate, if the applicant's current vehicle registration will expire before his or her receipt of an organization plate. The temporary registration shall expire upon the applicant's receipt of an organization plate or upon the expiration of 60 days after the date of issuance, whichever occurs first. A temporary permit issued under this subsection shall be issued without charge

(9) This section shall apply to an organization described in section 811c only to the extent provided by section 811c

Sec. 811c (1) Upon application, the secretary of state shall issue a registration plate with an appropriate decal representing an olympic education training center in this state to an applicant for use on the passenger motor vehicle, pickup truck, van, or motor home for which the plate is issued

(2) An application for a registration plate with an olympic education training center decal shall be submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to the procedures prescribed in section 217. In addition to the regular registration tax imposed by section 801, each application shall be accompanied with payment of a service fee of \$3.00 for the first month and \$2.00 per month for each additional month of the registration period of the plate. Registration plates with an olympic education training center decal shall expire on the applicant's birthday pursuant to section 226

(3) The olympic education training center fund is created in the state treasury. Money in the fund shall be expended only as provided in this section

(4) The secretary of state shall deposit each service fee collected pursuant to this section with the state treasurer to the credit of the olympic education training center fund. The fund may receive money from any other source as appropriated by the legislature. The money in the fund shall, upon appropriation, be distributed to the olympic education training center after deducting manufacturing and administrative costs

(5) The olympic education training center shall submit to the secretary of state a design of a separate decal to be affixed to a registration plate. The secretary of state shall confer with the department of state police to ensure the design will not compromise the ability of law enforcement agencies to accurately identify specific vehicles. Registration plates with an olympic education training center decal shall not be a duplication of another registration plate. The olympic education training center shall comply with section 803m(2), (3)(c) and (d), and (4)(c) and (d)

(6) The secretary of state may issue a temporary registration permit to a person who submits an application and the proper payments for a registration plate with an olympic education training center decal, if the applicant's current vehicle registration will expire before his or her receipt of a registration plate with an olympic education training center decal. The temporary registration shall expire upon receipt of a registration plate with an olympic education training center decal or 60 days after the issuance, whichever occurs first. The temporary permit shall be issued without a separate fee

Section 2 This amendatory act shall take effect October 1 1994

This act is ordered to take immediate effect

Secretary of the Senate

Co Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

Governor