

SENATE BILL NO. 256

February 3, 1999, Introduced by Senator YOUNG and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled
"Michigan vehicle code,"
(MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding section 803q.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 803Q. (1) A PERSON WHO IS A MEMBER OF A DIPLOMATIC
2 CORPS OF A NATION OTHER THAN THE UNITED STATES THAT IS RECOGNIZED
3 BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND WHO IS ASSIGNED OR
4 STATIONED IN MICHIGAN MAY MAKE APPLICATION TO THE SECRETARY OF
5 STATE FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE. THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION
6 PLATE SHALL DISPLAY THE CAPITALIZED LETTERS "DPL" PRECEDING THE
7 REGISTRATION NUMBERS AND SHALL HAVE THE WORD "DIPLOMAT" INSCRIBED
8 BENEATH THE REGISTRATION LETTERS AND NUMBERS.
9 (2) APPLICATION FOR THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE DESCRIBED
10 IN SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY
11 OF STATE, AND SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ANY PROOF OF THE APPLICANT

1 BEING A FOREIGN DIPLOMAT THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE REQUIRES.
2 THE APPLICATION FOR THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE SHALL ALSO BE
3 ACCOMPANIED BY PAYMENT OF A \$5.00 SERVICE FEE.

4 (3) UPON PROPER APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF THE \$5.00 SERVICE
5 FEE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (2), THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL
6 ISSUE 1 OR MORE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES DESCRIBED IN SUBSEC-
7 TION (1) FOR EACH APPLICANT FOR USE ON A PASSENGER VEHICLE. A
8 PERSON ISSUED 1 OR MORE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES UNDER THIS
9 SECTION SHALL BE ASSESSED THE APPLICABLE TAX UNDER SECTION 801.

10 (4) THE USE OF A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE DESCRIBED IN
11 SUBSECTION (1) ON A VEHICLE OTHER THAN THE VEHICLE FOR WHICH THE
12 PLATE IS ISSUED, OR BY A PERSON WHO DOES NOT QUALIFY UNDER THIS
13 SECTION, IS A MISDEMEANOR.

14 (5) THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION
15 SHALL EXPIRE ON THE BIRTHDAY OF THE VEHICLE OWNER. WHEN NEW
16 PLATES ARE ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, THE APPLICATION FOR
17 RENEWAL OF THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
18 A \$5.00 SERVICE FEE. HOWEVER, THE APPLICANT SHALL NOT BE
19 REQUIRED TO FURNISH THE PROOF PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2).