

HOUSE BILL No. 4699

June 6, 2017, Introduced by Rep. Wentworth and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 803m, 804, 811f, and 811g (MCL 257.803m, 257.804, 257.811f, and 257.811g), section 803m as amended by 2003 PA 152, section 804 as amended by 2015 PA 78, and sections 811f and 811g as amended by 2006 PA 562.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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

8 (2) Special organization plates shall bear letters and numbers

1 as the secretary of state prescribes. Special organization plates
2 may contain the symbol of the organization to the left of the plate
3 number. The secretary of state shall not issue a letter combination
4 or permit the use of a symbol ~~which~~**THAT** might carry a connotation
5 offensive to good taste and decency. The special organization
6 plates shall be made of the same material as standard plates.
7 Special organization plates shall not be a duplication of another
8 registration plate.

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

12 (a) Be a nonprofit fraternal or public service organization.

13 (b) Certify that it consists of not less than 500 members and
14 that not less than 500 members will apply for special organization
15 registration plates.

16 (c) Have a recognizable state, national, or international
17 symbol or emblem of the organization.

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

21 (e) Not practice or influence others to practice any form of
22 discrimination prohibited by the Elliott-Larsen civil rights act,
23 1976 PA 453, MCL 37.2101 to 37.2804.

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

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

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

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

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

9 (5) A member of an organization ~~which~~**THAT** has met the
10 criteria set forth in subsection (3) shall individually ~~make~~
11 ~~application~~**APPLY** for a special organization plate and submit with
12 the application the organization's confirmation of membership on a
13 form provided by the secretary of state.

14 (6) An application for a special organization registration
15 plate shall be submitted to the secretary of state ~~pursuant to~~
16 **UNDER** the procedures prescribed in section 217. ~~In~~**EXCEPT AS**
17 **PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (9), IN** addition to the regular registration
18 fee, each application for a new special organization plate shall be
19 accompanied by a service fee of \$25.00. The service fee prescribed
20 in this subsection shall not be charged in connection with an
21 application for a renewal tab for an existing special organization
22 plate. A special organization registration plate ~~shall expire~~
23 **EXPIRES** as provided in section 226.

24 (7) The secretary of state may issue a temporary registration
25 permit to a person who submits an application and the proper fees
26 for a special organization plate, if the applicant's current
27 vehicle registration will expire before his or her receipt of an

1 organization plate. The temporary registration ~~shall expire~~ **EXPIRES**
2 upon the applicant's receipt of an organization plate or upon the
3 expiration of 60 days after the date of issuance, whichever occurs
4 first. A temporary permit issued under this subsection shall be
5 issued without charge.

6 (8) This section ~~shall apply~~ **APPLIES** to an organization
7 described in section 811c only to the extent provided by section
8 811c.

9 (9) **IN LIEU OF THE SERVICE FEE PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6) ,**
10 **AN APPLICANT WHO APPLIES FOR A PERSONALIZED PLATE UNDER THIS**
11 **SECTION AND WHO IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN SHALL PAY A SERVICE**
12 **FEE OF \$5.00 FOR SPECIAL ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATE. AS USED**
13 **IN THIS SUBSECTION, "TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL**
14 **WHO QUALIFIES FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER SECTION**
15 **803F(2) .**

16 Sec. 804. (1) In addition to any other fees required under
17 this act, the applicant shall pay a \$5.00 service fee with each
18 application for ~~each~~ **A** distinctive or commemorative plate provided
19 for in this act to cover manufacturing and issuance costs unless
20 ~~these~~ **THOSE** costs are otherwise specifically provided for in this
21 act.

22 (2) ~~Each~~ **AN** applicant for a duplicate or replacement license
23 plate provided for in this act shall pay the following service fee
24 to the secretary of state, in addition to any other fees required
25 under this act:

26 (a) Five dollars for a standard or graphic standard plate,
27 personalized registration plate, veterans special registration

1 plate, or other registration plate for which the duplicate or
2 replacement fee has not been specified in this act.

3 (b) ~~Ten dollars~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS**
4 **SUBDIVISION, \$10.00** for a set of plates provided for in section
5 803m. **AN APPLICANT FOR A PLATE PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 803M WHO IS**
6 **A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN SHALL PAY A SERVICE FEE OF \$5.00. AS**
7 **USED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, "TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN" MEANS AN**
8 **INDIVIDUAL WHO QUALIFIES FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER**
9 **SECTION 803F(2) .**

10 (c) ~~Ten dollars~~ **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS**
11 **SUBDIVISION, \$10.00** for each fund-raising registration plate issued
12 under section 811e or 811f, or collector plate described in section
13 811g. **AN APPLICANT FOR A PLATE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 811E OR 811F OR**
14 **A COLLECTOR PLATE DESCRIBED IN SECTION 811G WHO IS A TOTALLY**
15 **DISABLED VETERAN SHALL PAY A SERVICE FEE OF \$5.00. AS USED IN THIS**
16 **SUBDIVISION, "TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO**
17 **QUALIFIES FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER SECTION 803F(2) .**

18 (3) The secretary of state shall deposit the service fees
19 collected under this section in the transportation administration
20 collection fund created in section 810b through October 1, 2019.

21 Sec. 811f. (1) The secretary of state may, upon application,
22 issue 1 fund-raising plate instead of a standard registration plate
23 to a person for use on a passenger motor vehicle or motor home or a
24 pickup truck or van used exclusively to transport personal
25 possessions or family members for nonbusiness purposes.

26 (2) A person may be issued a fund-raising plate for use on a
27 vehicle under this act by applying to the secretary of state

1 ~~pursuant to~~ **UNDER** section 217. An application for an original fund-
2 raising plate shall be accompanied by a \$25.00 fund-raising
3 donation, payment of the regular vehicle registration tax
4 prescribed under this act, and, **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN**
5 **THIS SUBSECTION**, a \$10.00 service fee. An application for renewal
6 of a fund-raising plate shall be accompanied by payment of the
7 vehicle registration tax required under section 801 and a \$10.00
8 fund-raising donation. Application for a replacement fund-raising
9 plate shall be accompanied by payment of only the fee prescribed
10 under section 804. **AN APPLICANT FOR AN ORIGINAL FUND-RAISING PLATE**
11 **WHO IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN SHALL PAY A \$5.00 SERVICE FEE. AS**
12 **USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN" MEANS AN**
13 **INDIVIDUAL WHO QUALIFIES FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE UNDER**
14 **SECTION 803F(2) .**

15 (3) The secretary of state may issue a personalized fund-
16 raising plate upon application and the payment of the personalized
17 registration plate fee prescribed under section 803b in addition to
18 the fees and donations prescribed under subsection (2) and the
19 regular vehicle registration tax prescribed under this act.

20 (4) A disabled person who applies for a fund-raising plate
21 under this section and who pays the required service fees shall be
22 issued, as determined by the secretary of state, a disabled
23 person's plate as provided in section 803d for his or her fund-
24 raising plate. The secretary of state shall require the same proof
25 that the applicant is a disabled person as is required for issuance
26 of a permanent windshield placard under section 675.

27 (5) A fund-raising plate expires pursuant to section 226. The

1 secretary of state may issue a tab or tabs designating the month
2 and year of expiration for an original or renewal fund-raising
3 plate.

4 (6) The secretary of state may issue a temporary registration
5 permit to a person who submits an application and the proper fees
6 and donation for a fund-raising plate, if the applicant's current
7 vehicle registration will expire before his or her receipt of a
8 fund-raising plate. The temporary registration shall expire upon
9 the applicant's receipt of a fund-raising plate or upon the
10 expiration of 30 days after the date of issuance, whichever occurs
11 first. The temporary permit shall be issued without a separate fee.

12 Sec. 811g. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this act, the
13 secretary of state may develop, market, promote, and sell a
14 collector plate. However, the secretary of state shall only
15 develop, market, and promote a collector plate with funds available
16 from the collection of service fees under this chapter.

17 (2) A collector plate shall not be attached to a motor vehicle
18 in a manner prescribed in section 225. A collector plate may be
19 used on a vehicle in any lawful manner, including, but not limited
20 to, being displayed on the front bumper of a vehicle.

21 (3) ~~A—EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, A~~ person may
22 purchase 1 or more collector plates by making payment to the
23 secretary of state of the \$10.00 service fee and a \$25.00 fund-
24 raising donation. **A PERSON WHO IS A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN MAY**
25 **PURCHASE 1 OR MORE COLLECTOR PLATES BY MAKING PAYMENT TO THE**
26 **SECRETARY OF STATE OF A \$5.00 SERVICE FEE AND A \$25.00 FUND-RAISING**
27 **DONATION. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN"**

1 **MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO QUALIFIES FOR A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE**
2 **UNDER SECTION 803F(2) .**

3 (4) The secretary of state may, as determined necessary by the
4 secretary of state, cease to sell a collector plate.

5 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
6 after the date it is enacted into law.