
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY SANTONI, GEIST, McCALL, CAWLEY, WASHINGTON,
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STABACK, SOLOBAY, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SAINATO, ROBERTS, HORSEY
AND PALLONE, MARCH 6, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 6, 2003

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for special registration plates.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 1341 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

7 § 1341. Special registration plates generally.

8 Upon request by the applicant, the department may issue
9 registration plates consisting of any combination of numbers,
10 letters or numbers and letters. These special plates may be
11 issued for special groups or for special purposes and bear an
12 appropriate designation. Special groups may charge a fee for
13 authorization to request a registration plate bearing the name
14 of the group. They shall have the same force and effect as
15 regular registration plates. The department may refuse any
16 combination of letters and numbers for cause and shall adopt

1 reasonable rules and regulations for the issuance of the plates
2 and for carrying out the provisions of this section. The
3 applicant shall comply with all laws and regulations pertaining
4 to registration including the payment of any additional fees.
5 The department is authorized to reissue a combination of numbers
6 or letters for a personal plate if the department records reveal
7 that no activity, such as renewal or transfer of the personal
8 registration plate, has occurred for a period of five or more
9 consecutive years and provided that the personal registration
10 plate was never reported as lost or stolen. Whenever the
11 department reissues an inactive personal plate, the department
12 may purge its records of all references to the previous owners
13 of that personal plate. The department shall, however, note upon
14 its records the reissuance of the personal plate and to whom the
15 plate was issued. If the vehicle is licensed to a business that
16 is not a member of the special group, the department shall issue
17 the plate as long as the business owner or officer making
18 application is a member of that group.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.