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AN ACT

1 Providing for special and commemorative registration plates, for
2 criteria for creation of the plates, for the duties of the
3 Department of Transportation and for fees; establishing funds
4 related to certain registration plates; and making repeals.

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25 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
26 hereby enacts as follows:

27 CHAPTER 1

28 GENERAL PROVISIONS

29 Section 101. Short title.

30 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Specialty

1 License Plate Act.

2 Section 102. Definitions.

3 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
4 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
5 context clearly indicates otherwise:

6 "Department." The Department of Transportation of the
7 Commonwealth.

8 "Sponsoring organization." A government or nonprofit
9 organization named in this act that has entered into an
10 agreement with the department regarding plates covered by this
11 act.

12 Section 103. Publication of notice.

13 The department shall publish notice in the Pennsylvania
14 Bulletin and otherwise make available to the general public
15 information that donations to a sponsoring organization are a
16 qualifying expenditure for the plate identified in the notice.

17 Section 104. Fees.

18 Unless otherwise provided for in this act, annual
19 registration fees shall be as prescribed under 75 Pa.C.S.
20 (relating to vehicles).

21 Section 105. Special registration plates generally.

22 (a) General rule.--Upon request by the applicant, the
23 department may issue registration plates consisting of any
24 combination of numbers, letters or numbers and letters. These
25 special plates may be issued for special groups or for special
26 purposes and bear an appropriate designation.

27 (b) Fee authorized.--Special groups may charge a fee for
28 authorization to request a registration plate bearing the name
29 of the group, which plates shall have the same force and effect
30 as regular registration plates.

1 (c) Rules and regulations.--The department may refuse any
2 combination of letters and numbers for cause and shall adopt
3 reasonable rules and regulations for the issuance of the plates
4 and for carrying out the provisions of this section.

5 (d) Applicant obligations.--The applicant shall comply with
6 all laws and regulations pertaining to registration including
7 the payment of any additional fees.

8 (e) Reissuance.--The department is authorized to reissue a
9 combination of numbers or letters for a personal plate if:

10 (1) The department records reveal that no activity such
11 as renewal or transfer of the personal registration plate has
12 occurred for a period of five or more consecutive years.

13 (2) The personal registration plate was never reported
14 as lost or stolen.

15 Whenever the department reissues an inactive personal plate, the
16 department may purge its records of all references to the
17 previous owners of that personal plate. The department shall,
18 however, note upon its records the reissuance of the personal
19 plate and to whom the plate was issued.

20 (f) Use of special registration plates.--Unless otherwise
21 stated, a special registration plate may be used only on a
22 passenger car, motor home, trailer or truck with a registered
23 gross weight of not more than 9,000 pounds.

24 CHAPTER 3

25 SPECIAL FUND REGISTRATION PLATES

26 Section 301. Special fund registration plate requirements.

27 An organization which sponsors a special registration plate
28 under this chapter for which a portion of the registration fee
29 is dedicated to a special fund shall comply with the following:

30 (1) The sponsoring organization must submit a letter of

1 request to the department describing the proposed purpose and
2 details concerning the recipient of fund moneys. The letter
3 of request must include a proposed graphic design of the
4 special fund registration plate.

5 (2) The sponsoring organization must sign a memorandum
6 of understanding with the department associated with the
7 initial procurement of special fund registration plates and
8 any subsequent procurement.

9 (3) After ten years all plates may be recalled or
10 replaced at the discretion of the department.

11 (4) The sponsoring organization shall acknowledge in
12 writing that the proposed graphic design must be approved by
13 the Pennsylvania State Police and the special fund group tag
14 committee established on an ad hoc basis by notice in the
15 Pennsylvania Bulletin.

16 (5) The sponsoring organization may elect to retire an
17 existing design of a special fund registration plate and
18 replace it with one new design after the department has
19 issued 200,000 of the initial design. Only one redesign shall
20 be permitted. Any subsequent plate redesign by a sponsoring
21 organization must meet the same requirements provided in this
22 section.

23 (6) The department at its discretion may discontinue
24 issuing a special fund registration plate if within any full
25 calendar year of issuance fewer than 5,000 special fund
26 registration plates are issued.

27 (7) A sponsoring organization must meet the requirements
28 of this section within one year of enactment of a law
29 authorizing the organization's special fund registration
30 plate.

1 Section 302. Wild resource conservation plate.

2 The department, in consultation with the Wild Resource
3 Conservation Board, shall design a special wild resource
4 conservation registration plate. Upon application of any person,
5 accompanied by a fee of \$35, which shall be in addition to the
6 annual registration fee the department shall issue the plate.
7 The Wild Resource Conservation Fund shall receive \$15 of each
8 additional fee for this plate.

9 Section 303. Preserve our heritage registration plate.

10 The department, in consultation with the Pennsylvania
11 Historical and Museum Commission, shall design a special
12 preserve our heritage registration plate. Upon receipt of an
13 application, accompanied by a fee of \$35, which shall be in
14 addition to the annual registration fee, the department shall
15 issue the plate. The Historical Preservation Fund shall receive
16 \$15 of each additional fee for this plate.

17 Section 304. Zoological plate.

18 (a) Design and issuance.--The department, in consultation
19 with the Pennsylvania Zoological Council, shall design a special
20 zoological registration plate. Upon application of any person,
21 accompanied by a fee of \$35, which shall be in addition to the
22 annual registration fee, the department shall issue the plate.
23 The Zoological Enhancement Fund shall receive \$15 of each
24 additional fee for this plate.

25 (b) Zoological Enhancement Fund.--Fifteen dollars of each
26 fee received under this section shall be credited to the
27 Zoological Enhancement Fund created as follows:

28 (1) There is hereby established a special account in the
29 State Treasury which shall be known as the Zoological
30 Enhancement Fund. The purpose of the Zoological Enhancement

1 Fund is to assist Commonwealth nonprofit zoological
2 institutions accredited by the American Zoo and Aquarium
3 Association and licensed by the United States Department of
4 Agriculture to fulfill their conservation, education and
5 recreation missions to the citizens of this Commonwealth.

6 (2) All moneys in the Zoological Enhancement Fund are
7 hereby annually appropriated to the Department of Community
8 and Economic Development and may be expended for the purposes
9 authorized under this subsection.

10 (3) Estimates of amounts to be expended under this
11 subsection shall be submitted to the Governor by the
12 Department of Community and Economic Development for his
13 approval.

14 (4) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition
15 for expenditures by the Department of Community and Economic
16 Development in excess of estimates approved by the Governor
17 or in excess of the amount available for the purposes for
18 which the requisition was made, whichever is the lesser
19 amount.

20 Section 305. DARE plate.

21 (a) Design and issuance.--The department, in consultation
22 with the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, shall
23 design a special drug abuse resistance education (DARE)
24 registration plate which utilizes the DARE logo or slogan in the
25 design. Upon application of any person, accompanied by a fee of
26 \$35, which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee,
27 the department shall issue the plate. The Drug Abuse Resistance
28 Education Program shall receive \$15 of each additional fee for
29 this plate.

30 (b) Drug Abuse Resistance Education Fund.--Fifteen dollars

1 of each fee received under subsection (a) shall be credited to
2 the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Fund established as follows:

3 (1) There is hereby established a special account in the
4 State Treasury which shall be known as the Drug Abuse
5 Resistance Education (DARE) Fund. The purpose of the DARE
6 Fund is to provide moneys for an ongoing educational program
7 in public schools to prevent drug abuse, utilizing police
8 agency representatives, school district employees, materials,
9 supplies and other necessary expenses associated with the
10 program.

11 (2) All moneys in the DARE Fund are hereby annually
12 appropriated to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and
13 Delinquency and may be expended for the purposes authorized
14 under this subsection.

15 (3) Estimates of amounts to be expended under this
16 subsection shall be submitted to the Governor by the
17 Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for his
18 approval.

19 (4) The State Treasurer shall not honor any requisition
20 for expenditures by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and
21 Delinquency in excess of estimates approved by the Governor
22 or in excess of the amount available for the purposes for
23 which the requisition was made, whichever is the lesser
24 amount.

25 CHAPTER 5

26 PERSONAL SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES

27 Section 501. Personal special registration plates.

28 (a) General rule.--The department may, upon application of
29 any person and upon payment of the additional fee under this
30 section, issue a personal special registration plate to

1 applicants for special plates authorized in this act.

2 (b) Additional fee.--

3 (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the
4 department shall collect an additional fee of up to \$150 for
5 any personal special registration plate issued under
6 subsection (a).

7 (2) For any personal plate issued under Chapter 3, the
8 department shall retain one-fourth of the fee and three-
9 fourths of the fee shall be deposited in the funds as
10 provided in sections 302, 303, 304 and 305.

11 (3) For any personal plate issued under section 502 and
12 75 Pa.C.S. §§ 1338 (relating to person with disability plate
13 and placard) and 1342 (relating to veteran plates and
14 placard), the department shall collect only an additional fee
15 of \$20.

16 Section 502. Hearing impaired plates.

17 On the application of any person with a hearing impairment,
18 verified by a licensed physician and accompanied by the
19 appropriate fee, the department shall issue to that person a
20 special registration plate designating the vehicle as belonging
21 to a person who has a hearing impairment, which plate shall have
22 the same effect as a regular registration plate.

23 CHAPTER 7

24 GROUP PLATES

25 Section 701. Authorized group plates.

26 The department shall develop designs for the plates described
27 in this chapter in consultation with the sponsoring
28 organization. An organization which sponsors a special
29 registration plate authorized in this chapter shall comply with
30 the following:

1 (1) The sponsoring organization or organizations must
2 submit a letter of request to the department describing the
3 proposed purpose and details concerning the use of funds
4 designated related to compliance with this act. The letter of
5 request must include a proposed graphic design of the
6 authorized group plate.

7 (2) The sponsoring organization or organizations must
8 sign a memorandum of understanding with the department
9 associated with the initial procurement of plates and any
10 subsequent procurement. The sponsoring organization or
11 organizations shall be responsible initially for a minimum of
12 300 plates.

13 (3) After ten years all plates may be recalled or
14 replaced at the discretion of the department.

15 (4) The sponsoring organization shall acknowledge in
16 writing that the proposed graphic design must be approved by
17 the Pennsylvania State Police and the special fund group tag
18 committee established on an ad hoc basis by notice in the
19 Pennsylvania Bulletin.

20 (5) The sponsoring organization may elect to retire an
21 existing design of a plate and replace it with one new design
22 after the department has issued 200,000 of the initial
23 design. Only one redesign shall be permitted. Any subsequent
24 plate redesign by a sponsoring organization must meet the
25 same requirements provided in this section.

26 (6) The department at its discretion may discontinue
27 issuing an authorized group registration plate if within any
28 full calendar year of issuance fewer than 300 registration
29 plates are issued.

30 (7) A sponsoring organization must meet the requirements

of this section within one year of enactment of a law
authorizing the organization's group registration plate.

Section 702. Youth hunter and angler education plate.

(a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
annual registration fee and documentation as the department
shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

(b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
eligible under this section include, but are not limited to, the
following:

(1) The Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs.

(2) The Unified Sportsmen of Pennsylvania.

(3) The United Bowhunters of Pennsylvania.

(4) The National Rifle Association.

(5) The Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Wild Turkey
Federation.

(6) The Pennsylvania Chapter of Trout Unlimited.

(7) The Pennsylvania Sportsmen for Youth.

(c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
this section shall be used solely to assist this Commonwealth's
nonprofit sportsmen's clubs, Commonwealth natural resource
agencies and other organizations in conducting youth field days,
conservation schools and other related hunter or trapper or
angler youth education programs.

Section 703. Animal protection plate.

(a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,

1 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
2 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
3 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
4 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
5 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

6 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
7 eligible under this section include:

8 (1) Any organization that is dedicated to assist this
9 Commonwealth's nonprofit organizations that provide low-cost
10 dog or cat spaying or neutering services.

11 (2) A nonprofit organization that maintains a shelter
12 for unwanted, stray or relinquished animals.

13 (3) An organization that provides emergency care for
14 unwanted, stray or relinquished animals.

15 (4) Nonprofit organizations that enforce Pennsylvania's
16 cruelty to animals law under 18 Pa.C.S. § 5511 (relating to
17 cruelty to animals).

18 Section 704. Gettysburg Civil War Memorial plate.

19 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
20 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
21 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
22 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
23 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
24 special registration plate which shall have a replica of the
25 main Pennsylvania monument at the Gettysburg National Military
26 Park and shall display the words "Gettysburg 1863" designating
27 the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who has so
28 contributed.

29 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
30 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to:

1 (1) The National Park Service.

2 (2) The Pennsylvania Monuments at Gettysburg National
3 Military Park Fund.

4 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
5 this section shall be used solely to preserve and restore the
6 Pennsylvania monuments and sites surrounding the monuments.
7 Section 705. Kids first plate.

8 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
9 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
10 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
11 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
12 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
13 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
14 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

15 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
16 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to, the
17 Children's Trust Fund Board, established under the act of
18 December 15, 1988 (P.L.1235, No.151), known as the Children's
19 Trust Fund Act.

20 (c) Grants.--

21 (1) The money collected and credited to the Children's
22 Trust Fund under this section shall be designated as
23 demonstration grants to county children and youth programs
24 for community-based child abuse and neglect prevention
25 services, except that grants made from funds made available
26 under this subsection shall not be subject to the usual local
27 match requirements of the Children's Trust Fund and family
28 support services. In addition to specific programs identified
29 as eligible for grants under the Children's Trust Fund Act,
30 services funded by money collected under this subsection

1 shall also include the development of court-appointed special
2 advocate programs for children, otherwise known as CASA.

3 (2) In order to qualify for a grant funded by money
4 collected under this section, a county children and youth
5 agency must demonstrate to the Children's Trust Fund Board
6 that:

7 (i) The services reflect the unmet needs of children
8 and families in the community.

9 (ii) The programs contribute to the coordination of
10 local services for children and families.

11 (iii) The program could not be funded through
12 existing Federal or State programs.

13 (3) To the fullest extent possible, the Children's Trust
14 Fund Board shall ensure the equitable geographic distribution
15 of the funds to county children and youth programs across
16 this Commonwealth.

17 Section 706. Cancer research plate.

18 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
19 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
20 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
21 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
22 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
23 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
24 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

25 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
26 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to:

27 (1) The Pennsylvania Cancer Control, Prevention and
28 Research Advisory Board of the Department of Health.

29 (2) The American Cancer Society.

30 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under

1 this section shall be used solely for purposes of cancer
2 research.

3 Section 707. Coal heritage commemorative registration plate.

4 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
5 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
6 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
7 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
8 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
9 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
10 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

11 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
12 eligible under this section include the Pennsylvania Historical
13 and Museum Commission for nonprofit and government-owned coal
14 mining sites and museums and their affiliate tunnels. The
15 commission shall administer the funds contributed as follows:

16 (1) To promote coal heritage.

17 (2) To preserve, maintain and operate nonprofit and
18 government-owned coal mining sites and museums and their
19 affiliate tunnels.

20 Section 708. Independence National Historical Park plate.

21 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
22 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
23 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
24 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
25 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
26 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
27 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

28 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
29 eligible under this section include:

30 (1) Eastern National.

(2) Independence National Historical Park of the United States National Park Service.

(c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under this section shall be used solely to assist and support educational programs sponsored through the Independence National Historical Park's history education center, known as the Independence Park Institute, which promotes tourism and educates visitors on the founding of this nation at Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

Section 709. Volunteer firefighter's plate.

Upon application of any person serving as a member in good standing of a volunteer fire department, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and documentation as the department shall require, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who has so contributed. A qualifying person is limited to one such plate regardless of the number of vehicles registered.

Section 710. Saving children plate.

(a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and documentation as the department shall require, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who has so contributed. The department shall design a saving children registration plate with likenesses of children of different races and ethnic backgrounds.

(b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations

1 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to, any
2 organization that would assist with the payment for
3 extracurricular activities in public schools.

4 Section 711. Emergency services plate.

5 Upon application of any person serving as an emergency
6 services worker, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in
7 addition to the annual registration fee and documentation as the
8 department shall require, the department shall issue to the
9 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
10 licensed as belonging to an emergency services worker. A
11 qualifying person is limited to one such plate regardless of the
12 number of vehicles registered.

13 Section 712. Breast cancer awareness plate.

14 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
15 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
16 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
17 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
18 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
19 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
20 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

21 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
22 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to, the
23 Susan G. Komen Foundation.

24 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
25 this section shall be used solely for research, education,
26 screening and treatment of breast cancer.

27 Section 713. Pennsylvania agriculture plate.

28 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
29 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
30 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the

1 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
2 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
3 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
4 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

5 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
6 eligible under this section include the Department of
7 Agriculture for:

8 (1) Agricultural education programs.

9 (2) Transfer to the Agricultural Conservation Easement
10 Purchase Fund established pursuant to the act of June 30,
11 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area
12 Security Law.

13 No funds allocated from proceeds shall be used for
14 administrative or general government expenses.

15 Section 714. Pennsylvania Irish Caucus plate.

16 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
17 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
18 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
19 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
20 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
21 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
22 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

23 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
24 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to, the
25 Pennsylvania Irish Caucus.

26 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
27 this section shall be used solely for a Irish Famine Memorial.

28 Section 715. Friend for life plate.

29 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
30 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,

1 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
2 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
3 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
4 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
5 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

6 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
7 eligible under this section include nonprofit adoption agencies
8 that do not promote abortion as an alternative.

9 Section 716. Chesapeake Bay commemorative plate.

10 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
11 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
12 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
13 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
14 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
15 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
16 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

17 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
18 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to:

19 (1) The Chesapeake Bay Commission.

20 (2) The Department of Environmental Protection.

21 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
22 this section shall be used solely to assist with stream
23 restoration projects in the Chesapeake Bay watershed in this
24 Commonwealth.

25 Section 717. Pride in America plate.

26 Upon application of any person who has contributed at least
27 \$50 to a sponsoring organization or relief fund which benefits
28 victims of terrorism or war, served as a rescue or recovery
29 worker for victims of terrorism or war any time beginning
30 September 11, 2001, or thereafter, or contributed to the Rewards

1 for Justice Fund of the Department of State, accompanied by a
2 fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration
3 fee and documentation as the department shall require, the
4 department shall issue to the person a special registration
5 plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a
6 person who has so contributed or served.

7 Section 718. Steelworkers plate.

8 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who is a
9 steelworker, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in
10 addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as
11 the department shall require, the department shall issue to the
12 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
13 licensed as belonging to a person who is a steelworker. The
14 plate shall bear the likeness of the official emblem of the
15 American Iron and Steel Institute.

16 (b) Definition.--As used in this section, the term
17 "steelworker" means a person currently or formerly employed in
18 the manufacture of steel or a surviving member of the
19 steelworker's family.

20 Section 719. Legislative plate.

21 Upon application by a member or retired member of the
22 Congress of the United States, the General Assembly of the
23 Commonwealth or the department may issue special registration
24 plates indicating that the vehicle is owned by a member or
25 retired member of the United States Senate or Pennsylvania
26 Senate or House of Representatives, as appropriate.

27 Section 720. Library registration plate.

28 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
29 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
30 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the

1 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
2 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
3 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
4 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

5 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
6 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to:

7 (1) Public libraries.

8 (2) The Department of Education.

9 (3) District library centers' advisory councils.

10 Section 721. Ruffed grouse plate.

11 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
12 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
13 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
14 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
15 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
16 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
17 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

18 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
19 eligible under this section include the Pennsylvania Game
20 Commission.

21 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
22 this section shall only be used by the commission for forest
23 habitat management and educational programs relating to the
24 ruffed grouse.

25 Section 722. Lighthouse preservation plate.

26 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
27 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
28 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
29 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
30 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a

1 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
2 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

3 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
4 eligible under this section include the Pennsylvania Historical
5 and Museum Commission.

6 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
7 this section shall only be used by the commission.

8 Section 723. Choose life plate.

9 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
10 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
11 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
12 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
13 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
14 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
15 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

16 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
17 eligible under this section include, but are not limited to,
18 Choose Life, Inc.

19 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
20 this section shall only be used to pay for programs offered by
21 certain crisis pregnancy centers.

22 Section 724. Civilian Conservation Corps worker plate.

23 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has served
24 in the Civilian Conservation Corps, accompanied by a fee of \$20
25 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and
26 documentation as the department shall require, the department
27 shall issue to the person a special registration plate
28 designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who
29 has so contributed.

30 (b) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "Civilian

1 Conservation Corps worker" means a person currently or formerly
2 employed by the Civilian Conservation Corps or Pennsylvania
3 Conservation Corps or a surviving member of the person's family.
4 Section 725. Organ donor plate.

5 Upon application of any person who has contributed at least
6 \$20 to the Organ Donation Awareness Trust Fund accompanied by a
7 fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration
8 fee and documentation as the department shall require, the
9 department shall issue to the person a special registration
10 plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a
11 person who has so contributed.

12 Section 726. Prostate cancer research plate.

13 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of any person who has
14 contributed at least \$20 to an eligible sponsoring organization,
15 accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the
16 annual registration fee and documentation as the department
17 shall require, the department shall issue to the person a
18 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
19 as belonging to a person who has so contributed.

20 (b) Eligible organizations.--Sponsoring organizations
21 eligible under this section include the American Cancer Society.

22 (c) Authorized use of fees.--Additional fees collected under
23 this section shall be used solely for purposes of prostate
24 cancer research.

25 SECTION 727. AUTISM AWARENESS AND RESEARCH PLATE.

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26 (A) ISSUANCE.--UPON APPLICATION OF ANY PERSON WHO HAS
27 CONTRIBUTED AT LEAST \$20 TO AN ELIGIBLE SPONSORING ORGANIZATION,
28 ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE OF \$20 WHICH SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO THE
29 ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE AND DOCUMENTATION AS THE DEPARTMENT
30 SHALL REQUIRE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE TO THE PERSON A

1 SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE DESIGNATING THE VEHICLE SO LICENSED
2 AS BELONGING TO A PERSON WHO HAS SO CONTRIBUTED.

3 (B) ELIGIBLE ORGANIZATIONS.--SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS
4 ELIGIBLE UNDER THIS SECTION INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, THE
5 PENNSYLVANIA ACTION COALITION FOR AUTISM SERVICES.

6 (C) AUTHORIZED USE OF FEES.--ADDITIONAL FEES COLLECTED UNDER
7 THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED SOLELY FOR RESEARCH, EDUCATION,
8 SCREENING AND TREATMENT OF AUTISM.

9 CHAPTER 9

10 LIMITED USE SPECIAL VEHICLE PLATES

11 Section 901. Antique, classic and collectible plates.

12 Upon submission by a vehicle owner of information
13 satisfactory to the department that a motorcycle or motor
14 vehicle is an antique motorcycle or motor vehicle or classic
15 motorcycle or motor vehicle or collectible motorcycle or motor
16 vehicle, accompanied by the appropriate fee, the department may
17 issue special plates for the motorcycle or vehicle. The
18 applicant shall provide photographic proof in a manner specified
19 by the department to demonstrate the condition of the motor
20 vehicle. No annual registration fee may be charged for antique,
21 collectible or classic motorcycles or motor vehicles.

22 Section 902. Street rod plate.

23 Upon submission by a vehicle owner of information
24 satisfactory to the department that a motor vehicle is a street
25 rod, accompanied by the appropriate fee, the department shall
26 issue special plates for the vehicle, which shall have the same
27 force and effect as regular registration plates. The applicant
28 shall comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to
29 registration, including the payment of any additional fees.

30 CHAPTER 11

MILITARY AND VETERANS PLATES

Section 1101. Use of military and veterans plates.

Special registration plates issued under this chapter may be used on a motorcycle or other authorized vehicles specified in section 105(f).

Section 1102. Expeditionary Forces Medal recipient plate.

Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the Expeditionary Forces Medal, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as the department shall require, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so registered as belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Expeditionary Forces Medal.

Section 1103. World War II veterans plate.

Upon application of any person who is a veteran of World War II, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as the department shall require, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate carrying the symbol of a ruptured duck designating the vehicle so registered as belonging to a person who is a veteran of World War II.

Section 1104. Pearl Harbor survivors plate.

Upon application of any person who is a survivor of Pearl Harbor, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as the department shall require, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who is a survivor of Pearl Harbor.

Section 1105. Special plates for veterans of Korean War.

1 Upon application of any person who is a veteran of the Korean
2 War, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to
3 the annual registration fee and by documentation as the
4 department shall require, the department shall issue to the
5 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
6 licensed as belonging to a person who is a veteran of the Korean
7 War.

8 Section 1106. Special plates for veterans of Persian Gulf War.

9 Upon application of any person who is a veteran of the
10 Persian Gulf War, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in
11 addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as
12 the department shall require, the department shall issue to the
13 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
14 licensed as belonging to a person who is a veteran of the
15 Persian Gulf War.

16 Section 1107. Prisoner of war plate.

17 On the application of an ex-prisoner of war whose
18 imprisonment while in the service of the armed forces of the
19 United States is certified by the appropriate branch of the
20 armed forces, the department shall issue a special registration
21 plate designating the vehicle as belonging to an ex-prisoner of
22 war. The registration plate shall contain the letters "POW" and
23 such other numbers or letters as the department may determine
24 and shall have the words "prisoner of war" in at least ten-point
25 bold type inscribed at the bottom of the plate. Only one special
26 registration plate shall be issued to an ex-prisoner of war
27 under this section.

28 Section 1108. Vietnam Conflict veterans.

29 Upon application of any person who is a veteran of the
30 Vietnam Conflict as that term is defined for the awarding of the

1 Vietnam Service Medal, accompanied by a fee of \$20 in addition
2 to the annual registration fee and by documentation as the
3 department shall require, the department shall issue to the
4 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
5 licensed as belonging to a person who is a veteran of the
6 Vietnam Conflict.

7 Section 1109. Medal of Honor recipients.

8 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the
9 Medal of Honor, the department shall issue to the person a
10 special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed
11 as belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Medal of
12 Honor. The plate shall have a light blue background interspersed
13 with 13 white stars. The center of the plate shall bear a golden
14 bronze replica of the appropriate medal. The initials of each
15 recipient shall be embossed in red to the left of the medal and
16 the letters "CMH" (for Congressional Medal of Honor) shall be
17 embossed in red to the right of the medal.

18 Section 1110. Purple Heart recipients.

19 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the
20 Purple Heart, the department shall issue to the person a special
21 registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as
22 belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Purple Heart. A
23 severely disabled veteran, as described in 75 Pa.C.S. § 1342(b)
24 (relating to veteran plates and placard), who is qualified to
25 receive a plate under this section may also elect to receive a
26 placard under 75 Pa.C.S. § 1342(b).

27 Section 1111. Distinguished Flying Cross recipients.

28 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the
29 Distinguished Flying Cross, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which
30 shall be in addition to the annual registration fee and

1 documentation as the department shall require, the department
2 shall issue to the person a special registration plate
3 designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who
4 has so contributed.

5 Section 1112. Missing in Action plate.

6 Upon application of any person, accompanied by a fee of \$20,
7 which shall be in addition to the annual registration fee, the
8 department shall issue to the person a special registration
9 plate honoring those members of the United States Armed Forces
10 who the Department of Defense has determined to be missing in
11 action. The plate shall have a black background with white
12 letters and/or numbers. The registration plate shall contain the
13 letters "MIA" and other numbers or letters as the department may
14 determine and shall have the words "YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN" in at
15 least ten-point bold type inscribed at the bottom of the plate.

16 Section 1113. Submarine service plate.

17 Upon application of any person who is a veteran of a
18 submarine crew, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in
19 addition to the annual registration fee and by documentation as
20 the department shall require, the department shall issue to the
21 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so
22 licensed as belonging to a person who is a veteran of a United
23 States submarine crew.

24 SECTION 1114. LIBERATION OF IRAQ VETERANS PLATE.

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25 UPON APPLICATION OF ANY PERSON WHO IS A VETERAN OF THE
26 LIBERATION OF IRAQ, ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE OF \$20, WHICH SHALL BE
27 IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL REGISTRATION FEE AND BY DOCUMENTATION
28 AS THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REQUIRE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE TO
29 THE PERSON A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE DESIGNATING THE VEHICLE
30 SO LICENSED AS BELONGING TO A PERSON WHO IS A VETERAN OF THE

1 LIBERATION OF IRAQ.

2 CHAPTER 51

3 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

4 Section 5101. Repeals.

5 The following acts and parts of acts are repealed:

6 75 Pa.C.S. § 1339.

7 75 Pa.C.S. § 1340.

8 75 Pa.C.S. § 1340.1.

9 75 Pa.C.S. § 1341.

10 75 Pa.C.S. § 1342.

11 75 Pa.C.S. § 1345.

12 75 Pa.C.S. § 1346.

13 75 Pa.C.S. § 1347.

14 75 Pa.C.S. § 1348.

15 75 Pa.C.S. § 1350.

16 75 Pa.C.S. § 1351.

17 75 Pa.C.S. § 1352.

18 75 Pa.C.S. § 1353.

19 75 Pa.C.S. § 1354.

20 75 Pa.C.S. § 1355.

21 75 Pa.C.S. § 1356.

22 75 Pa.C.S. § 1357.

23 75 Pa.C.S. § 1358.

24 75 Pa.C.S. § 1359.

25 75 Pa.C.S. § 1360.

26 75 Pa.C.S. § 1905(b) and (c).

27 Section 5102. Effective date.

28 This act shall take effect in 90 days.