

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 648 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY RAFFERTY, RESCHENTHALER, DINNIMAN, YUDICHAK, AUMENT AND BLAKE, APRIL 21, 2017

SENATOR RAFFERTY, TRANSPORTATION, AS AMENDED, APRIL 25, 2017

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in registration of vehicles, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR <--
3 SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES AND providing for Distracted
4 Driving Awareness plate.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated <--
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 SECTION 1. SECTION 1341(C) OF TITLE 75 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA <--
10 CONSOLIDATED STATUTES IS AMENDED TO READ:

11 § 1341. SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

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13 (C) ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATES.--UPON REQUEST BY THE
14 APPLICANT, THE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE ORGANIZATION
15 REGISTRATION PLATES. ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATES MAY BE
16 ISSUED FOR SPECIAL GROUPS OR FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES AND BEAR AN
17 APPROPRIATE DESIGNATION. SPECIAL GROUPS MAY CHARGE A FEE FOR
18 AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST A REGISTRATION PLATE BEARING THE NAME
19 OF THE GROUP OR A PORTION OF THE GROUP AS DESIRED BY THE

1 ORGANIZATION. IF THE VEHICLE IS LICENSED TO A BUSINESS THAT IS
2 NOT A MEMBER OF THE SPECIAL GROUP, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE
3 THE PLATE AS LONG AS THE BUSINESS OWNER OR OFFICER MAKING
4 APPLICATION IS A MEMBER OF THAT GROUP. AN ORGANIZATION
5 REGISTRATION PLATE MAY BE USED ONLY ON A PASSENGER CAR OR TRUCK,
6 WITH A REGISTERED GROSS WEIGHT OF NOT MORE THAN 14,000 POUNDS,
7 TRAILER, MOTORCYCLE OR MOTOR HOME.

8 SECTION 2. TITLE 75 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
9 § 1358.2. Distracted Driving Awareness plate.

10 (a) Distracted Driving Awareness plate.--The department
11 shall design a Distracted Driving Awareness registration plate.
12 Upon application of any person, accompanied by a fee of \$40,
13 which shall be in addition to the registration fee, the
14 department shall issue the plate for a passenger car or truck
15 with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds or
16 a motor home. The fee shall be used exclusively to advance
17 public education and outreach on the dangers posed by distracted
18 driving, at the department's discretion.

19 (b) Expiration.--This section shall expire December 31,
20 2025.

21 Section ~~2~~ 3. This act shall take effect in ~~60~~ 120 days. <--