
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 27—ASSEMBLYWOMAN VON TOBEL

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for issuance of special license plates for support of preservation and restoration of natural environment of Mount Charleston Wilderness of Toiyabe National Forest. (BDR 43-101)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; providing for the issuance of special license plates for the support of the preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Mount Charleston Wilderness of the Toiyabe National Forest; imposing a fee for the issuance or renewal of such license plates; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE
AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
2 new section to read as follows:

3 ***1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the department, in***
4 ***cooperation with the division of state lands of the state department of***
5 ***conservation and natural resources, shall design, prepare and issue***
6 ***license plates for the support of the preservation and restoration of the***
7 ***natural environment of the Mount Charleston Wilderness of the Toiyabe***
8 ***National Forest using any colors that the department deems appropriate.***
9 ***The design of the license plates must include a depiction of Mount***
10 ***Charleston and its surrounding area. The department shall not design,***
11 ***prepare or issue the license plates unless it receives at least 250***
12 ***applications for the issuance of those plates.***

13 ***2. If the department receives at least 250 applications for the issuance***
14 ***of license plates for the support of the preservation and restoration of the***
15 ***natural environment of the Mount Charleston Wilderness, the department***
16 ***shall issue those plates for a passenger car or light commercial vehicle***

1 upon application by a person who is entitled to license plates pursuant to
2 NRS 482.265 and who otherwise complies with the requirements for
3 registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter. A person may request
4 that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667
5 be combined with license plates for the support of the preservation and
6 restoration of the natural environment of the Mount Charleston
7 Wilderness if that person pays the fees for the personalized prestige
8 license plates in addition to the fees for the license plates for the support
9 of the preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the
10 Mount Charleston Wilderness pursuant to subsections 3 and 4.

11 3. The fee for license plates for the support of the preservation and
12 restoration of the natural environment of the Mount Charleston
13 Wilderness is \$35, in addition to all other applicable registration and
14 license fees and motor vehicle privilege taxes. The license plates are
15 renewable upon the payment of \$10.

16 4. In addition to all fees for the license, registration and privilege
17 taxes, a person who requests a set of license plates for the support of the
18 preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Mount
19 Charleston Wilderness must pay for the initial issuance of the plates an
20 additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the plates an additional fee
21 of \$20 to finance projects for the preservation and restoration of the
22 natural environment of the Mount Charleston Wilderness.

23 5. The department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to
24 subsection 4 with the state treasurer for credit to the account for license
25 plates for the support of the preservation and restoration of the natural
26 environment of the Mount Charleston Wilderness of the Toiyabe National
27 Forest created pursuant to section 3 of this act.

28 6. If, during a registration year, the holder of license plates issued
29 pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which
30 the plates are affixed, he may retain the plates and:

31 (a) Affix them to another vehicle that meets the requirements of this
32 section if the transfer and registration fees are paid as set out in this
33 chapter; or

34 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return
35 them to the department.

36 **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.216 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 482.216 1. Upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the department
38 may authorize the new vehicle dealer to:

39 (a) Accept applications for the registration of the new motor vehicles he
40 sells and the related fees and taxes;

41 (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the
42 requirements of this chapter;

and

1 (c) Accept applications for the transfer of registration pursuant to NRS
2 482.399 if the applicant purchased from the new vehicle dealer a new
3 vehicle to which the registration is to be transferred.

4 2. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates of
5 registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall:

6 (a) Transmit the applications he receives to the department within the
7 period prescribed by the department;

8 (b) Transmit the fees he collects from the applicants and properly
9 account for them within the period prescribed by the department;

10 (c) Comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 4; and

11 (d) Bear any cost of equipment which is necessary to issue certificates of
12 registration, including any computer hardware or software.

13 3. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates of
14 registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall not:

15 (a) Charge any additional fee for the performance of those services;

16 (b) Receive compensation from the department for the performance of
17 those services;

18 (c) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a motor
19 vehicle; or

20 (d) Accept an application for the registration of a motor vehicle if the
21 applicant wishes to:

22 (1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to
23 482.3825, inclusive ~~H~~, *and section 1 of this act*; or

24 (2) Claim the exemption from the vehicle privilege tax provided
25 pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.

26 4. The director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry
27 out the provisions of this section. The regulations adopted pursuant to this
28 subsection must provide for:

29 (a) The expedient and secure issuance of license plates and decals by the
30 department; and

31 (b) The withdrawal of the authority granted to a new vehicle dealer
32 pursuant to subsection 1 if that dealer fails to comply with the regulations
33 adopted by the department.

34 **Sec. 3.** Chapter 321 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
35 new section to read as follows:

36 *1. The account for license plates for the support of the preservation
37 and restoration of the natural environment of the Mount Charleston
38 Wilderness of the Toiyabe National Forest is hereby created in the state
39 general fund. The administrator of the division of state lands of the state
40 department of conservation and natural resources shall administer the
41 account.*

42 *2. The money in the account does not lapse to the state general fund
43 at the end of a fiscal year. The interest and income earned on the money*

1 *in the account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited*
2 *to the account.*

3 *3. The money in the account must be used only for the support of*
4 *programs for the preservation and restoration of the natural environment*
5 *of the Mount Charleston Wilderness and must not be used to replace or*
6 *supplant money available from other sources. The administrator may*
7 *provide grants from the account to other public agencies to carry out the*
8 *provisions of this section.*

9 **Sec. 4.** The amendatory provisions of this act expire by limitation on
10 October 1, 2003, if on that date the department of motor vehicles and public
11 safety has received fewer than 250 applications for the issuance of a license
12 plate pursuant to section 1 of this act.

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