

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 113—ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON, DE BRAGA, CARPENTER, COLLINS, DINI, BEERS, BERMAN, BUCKLEY, CLABORN, GIBBONS, HETTRICK, LEE, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLAIN, NEIGHBORS, NOLAN, SMITH AND VON TOBEL

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for issuance of special license plates and souvenir license plates to support preservation and restoration of natural environment of Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake and provides for issuance of special license plates for support of rodeos. (BDR 43-1005)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: 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 and souvenir license plates for the support of the preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake; providing for the issuance of special license plates for the support of rodeos, including support for the programs and activities of the Reno Rodeo Foundation and Nevada High School Rodeo Association or their successors; 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  
2 the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2. 1.** *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the*  
4 *department, in cooperation with the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, shall*  
5 *design, prepare and issue license plates for the support of the*  
6 *preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Lower*  
7 *Truckee River and Pyramid Lake using any colors that the department*  
8 *deems appropriate. The design of the license plates must include a*  
9 *depiction of Pyramid Lake and its surrounding area. The department*  
10 *shall not design, prepare or issue the license plates unless it receives at*  
11 *least 250 applications for the issuance of those plates.*

12 **2.** *If the department receives at least 250 applications for the*  
13 *issuance of license plates for the support of the preservation and*



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1 *restoration of the natural environment of the Lower Truckee River and*  
2 *Pyramid Lake, the department shall issue those plates for a passenger*  
3 *car or light commercial vehicle upon application by a person who is*  
4 *entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise*  
5 *complies with the requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to*  
6 *this chapter. A person may request that personalized prestige license*  
7 *plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates*  
8 *for the support of the preservation and restoration of the natural*  
9 *environment of the Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake if that*  
10 *person pays the fees for the personalized prestige license plates in*  
11 *addition to the fees for the license plates for the support of the*  
12 *preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Lower*  
13 *Truckee River and Pyramid Lake pursuant to subsections 3 and 4.*

14 *3. The fee for license plates for the support of the preservation and*  
15 *restoration of the natural environment of the Lower Truckee River and*  
16 *Pyramid Lake is \$35, in addition to all other applicable registration and*  
17 *license fees and governmental services taxes. The license plates are*  
18 *renewable upon the payment of \$10.*

19 *4. In addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and*  
20 *governmental services taxes and the fee prescribed in subsection 3, a*  
21 *person who requests a set of license plates for the support of the*  
22 *preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Lower*  
23 *Truckee River and Pyramid Lake must pay for the initial issuance of the*  
24 *plates an additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the plates an*  
25 *additional fee of \$20, to be distributed pursuant to subsection 5.*

26 *5. The department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to*  
27 *subsection 4 with the state treasurer for credit to the state general fund.*  
28 *The state treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis, distribute the fees*  
29 *deposited pursuant to this subsection to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.*  
30 *The fees deposited pursuant to this subsection may only be used to:*

31 *(a) Protect, restore and enhance the water quality and natural*  
32 *resources of or relating to the Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake,*  
33 *including, without limitation:*

34 *(1) Providing matching money for grants that are available from*  
35 *federal or state agencies for such purposes; and*

36 *(2) Paying the costs of the Tribe's portion of joint projects with*  
37 *local, state or federal agencies for such purposes.*

38 *(b) Pay for, or match grants for, projects for the enhancement of the*  
39 *economic development of the area surrounding the Lower Truckee River*  
40 *and Pyramid Lake.*

41 *(c) Pay for the development and construction of an arena on the*  
42 *Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation for activities pertaining to fairgrounds*  
43 *or rodeos, or both, and to provide financial support for the establishment*  
44 *of a rodeo team or other designated activities at Pyramid Lake High*  
45 *School. Until October 1, 2006, 25 percent of the fees deposited pursuant*  
46 *to this subsection must be used for the purposes described in this*  
47 *paragraph.*



1     6. *If, during a registration year, the holder of license plates issued*  
2 *pursuant to the provisions of subsections 1 to 6, inclusive, disposes of the*  
3 *vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:*  
4     (a) *Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that meets the*  
5 *requirements of subsections 1 to 6, inclusive, if the transfer and*  
6 *registration fees are paid as set forth in this chapter; or*  
7     (b) *Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return*  
8 *them to the department.*  
9     7. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the director shall,*  
10 *at the request of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe:*  
11     (a) *Order the design and preparation of souvenir license plates that*  
12 *indicate support for the preservation and restoration of the natural*  
13 *environment of the Lower Truckee River and Pyramid Lake; and*  
14     (b) *Issue such souvenir license plates only to the Pyramid Lake Paiute*  
15 *Tribe for a fee established pursuant to NRS 482.3825. The Pyramid Lake*  
16 *Paiute Tribe may resell such souvenir license plates at a price determined*  
17 *by the Tribe.*  
18 *The director shall not order the design or preparation of souvenir license*  
19 *plates pursuant to this subsection unless the department has received at*  
20 *least 250 applications for the issuance of license plates for the support of*  
21 *the preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the Lower*  
22 *Truckee River and Pyramid Lake pursuant to subsections 1 to 6,*  
23 *inclusive.*  
24     **Sec. 3.** 1. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the*  
25 *department, in cooperation with the Reno Rodeo Foundation and the*  
26 *Nevada High School Rodeo Association or their successors, shall design,*  
27 *prepare and issue license plates for the support of rodeos, including*  
28 *support for the programs and charitable activities of the Reno Rodeo*  
29 *Foundation and the Nevada High School Rodeo Association, or their*  
30 *successors, using any colors and designs that the department deems*  
31 *appropriate. The department shall not design, prepare or issue the*  
32 *license plates unless it receives at least 250 applications for the issuance*  
33 *of those plates.*  
34     2. *If the department receives at least 250 applications for the*  
35 *issuance of license plates for the support of rodeos, the department shall*  
36 *issue those plates for a passenger car or light commercial vehicle upon*  
37 *application by a person who is entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS*  
38 *482.265 and who otherwise complies with the requirements for*  
39 *registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter. A person may request*  
40 *that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667*  
41 *be combined with license plates for the support of rodeos if that person*  
42 *pays the fees for the personalized prestige license plates in addition to the*  
43 *fees for the license plates for the support of rodeos pursuant to*  
44 *subsections 3 and 4.*  
45     3. *The fee for license plates for the support of rodeos is \$35, in*  
46 *addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and*  
47 *governmental services taxes. The license plates are renewable upon the*  
48 *payment of \$10.*



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1     4. *In addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and*  
2 *governmental services taxes and the fee prescribed in subsection 3, a*  
3 *person who requests a set of license plates for the support of rodeos must*  
4 *pay for the initial issuance of the plates an additional fee of \$25 and for*  
5 *each renewal of the plates an additional fee of \$20, to be distributed*  
6 *pursuant to subsection 5.*

7     5. *The department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to*  
8 *subsection 4 with the state treasurer for credit to the state general fund.*  
9 *The state treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis, distribute the fees*  
10 *deposited pursuant to this subsection in the following manner:*

11     (a) *Remit one-half of the fees to the Reno Rodeo Foundation or its*  
12 *successor for the support of programs and charitable activities of the*  
13 *Reno Rodeo Foundation or its successor.*

14     (b) *Remit one-half of the fees to the Nevada High School Rodeo*  
15 *Association or its successor for the support of programs and charitable*  
16 *activities of the Nevada High School Rodeo Association or its*  
17 *successor.*

18 *The Nevada High School Rodeo Association or its successor may grant a*  
19 *portion of the proceeds it receives pursuant to this subsection to one or*  
20 *more high school rodeo associations established in this state for the*  
21 *support of those associations.*

22     6. *If, during a registration year, the holder of license plates issued*  
23 *pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which*  
24 *the plates are affixed, the holder shall:*

25     (a) *Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that meets the*  
26 *requirements of this section if the transfer and registration fees are paid*  
27 *as set forth in this chapter; or*

28     (b) *Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle, return*  
29 *them to the department.*

30     **Sec. 4.** NRS 482.216 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31     482.216 1. Upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the department  
32 may authorize the new vehicle dealer to:

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

35     (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the  
36 requirements of this chapter; and

37     (c) Accept applications for the transfer of registration pursuant to NRS  
38 482.399 if the applicant purchased from the new vehicle dealer a new  
39 vehicle to which the registration is to be transferred.

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

42     (a) Transmit the applications he receives to the department within the  
43 period prescribed by the department;

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

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

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



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- 1 3. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates of  
2 registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall not:
- 3 (a) Charge any additional fee for the performance of those services;  
4 (b) Receive compensation from the department for the performance of  
5 those services;  
6 (c) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a motor  
7 vehicle; or  
8 (d) Accept an application for the registration of a motor vehicle if the  
9 applicant wishes to:
- 10 (1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to  
11 482.3825, inclusive, section 1 of Senate Bill No. 414 of this session, ~~and~~  
12 section 1 of *Senate Bill No. 77 of this ~~act~~ session and sections 2 and 3*  
13 *of this act*; or  
14 (2) Claim the exemption from the governmental services tax provided  
15 pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.
- 16 4. The director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry  
17 out the provisions of this section. The regulations adopted pursuant to this  
18 subsection must provide for:
- 19 (a) The expedient and secure issuance of license plates and decals by  
20 the department; and  
21 (b) The withdrawal of the authority granted to a new vehicle dealer  
22 pursuant to subsection 1 if that dealer fails to comply with the regulations  
23 adopted by the department.
- 24 **Sec. 5.** NRS 482.3825 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
25 482.3825 1. The director may order the design and preparation of  
26 souvenir license plates which are easily distinguishable in design or color  
27 from regular license plates. The director may establish a fee for the  
28 issuance of such plates of not more than \$15 per plate. The department may  
29 issue more than one plate of any particular design.
- 30 2. All money collected from the issuance of souvenir license plates  
31 must be deposited in the state treasury for credit to the motor vehicle fund.
- 32 **3. As used in this section, "issuance" does not include the resale of a**  
33 **souvenir license plate.**
- 34 **Sec. 6.** NRS 482.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
35 482.500 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or 3,  
36 whenever upon application any duplicate or substitute certificate of  
37 registration, decal or number plate is issued, the following fees must be  
38 paid:  
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| 40 | For a certificate of registration .....                   | \$5.00 |
| 41 | For every substitute number plate or set of plates .....  | 5.00   |
| 42 | For every duplicate number plate or set of plates.....    | 10.00  |
| 43 | For every decal displaying a county name .....            | .50    |
| 44 | For every other decal, license plate sticker or tab ..... | 5.00   |
| 45 |   |        |
- 46 2. The following fees must be paid for any replacement plate or set of  
47 plates issued for the following special license plates:  
48 (a) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667, 482.3672,  
49 482.3675, 482.370 to 482.376, inclusive, or 482.379 to 482.3816,



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1 inclusive, section 1 of Senate Bill No. 414 of this session , ~~and~~ section 1  
2 of *Senate Bill No. 77 of this ~~act,~~ session and sections 2 and 3 of this act,*  
3 a fee of \$10.

4 (b) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.368, 482.3765,  
5 482.377 or 482.378, a fee of \$5.

6 (c) ~~For~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 2 of this act, for* any  
7 souvenir license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3825 or sample license  
8 plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.2703, a fee equal to that established by  
9 the director for the issuance of those plates.

10 3. A fee must not be charged for a duplicate or substitute of a decal  
11 issued pursuant to NRS 482.37635.

12 4. The fees which are paid for duplicate number plates and decals  
13 displaying county names must be deposited with the state treasurer for  
14 credit to the motor vehicle fund and allocated to the department to defray  
15 the costs of duplicating the plates and manufacturing the decals.

16 5. As used in this section:

17 (a) "Duplicate number plate" means a license plate or a set of license  
18 plates issued to a registered owner which repeat the code of a plate or set of  
19 plates previously issued to the owner to maintain his registration using the  
20 same code.

21 (b) "Substitute number plate" means a license plate or a set of license  
22 plates issued in place of a previously issued and unexpired plate or set of  
23 plates. The plate or set of plates does not repeat the code of the previously  
24 issued plate or set.

25 **Sec. 7.** Sections 2, 4 and 7 of Senate Bill No. 77 of this session are  
26 hereby amended to read as follows:

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

28 482.216 1. Upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the  
29 department may authorize the new vehicle dealer to:

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

32 (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the  
33 requirements of this chapter; and

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

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

39 (a) Transmit the applications he receives to the department within  
40 the period prescribed by the department;

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

(1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3825, inclusive, ~~and~~ section 1 of *Senate Bill No. 414 of this act; session and section 1 of this act*; or

(2) Claim the exemption from the governmental services tax provided pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.

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

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

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

Sec. 4. NRS 482.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.500 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or 3, whenever upon application any duplicate or substitute certificate of registration, decal or number plate is issued, the following fees must be paid:

For a certificate of registration .....	\$5.00
For every substitute number plate or set of plates .....	5.00
For every duplicate number plate or set of plates .....	10.00
For every decal displaying a county name .....	.50
For every other decal, license plate sticker or tab .....	5.00

2. The following fees must be paid for any replacement plate or set of plates issued for the following special license plates:

(a) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667, 482.3672, 482.3675, 482.370 to 482.376, inclusive, or 482.379 to 482.3816, inclusive, ~~and~~ section 1 of *Senate Bill No. 414 of this act; session and section 1 of this act*, a fee of \$10.

(b) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.368, 482.3765, 482.377 or 482.378, a fee of \$5.

(c) For any souvenir license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3825 or sample license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.2703, a fee equal to that established by the director for the issuance of those plates.

3. A fee must not be charged for a duplicate or substitute of a decal issued pursuant to NRS 482.37635.

4. The fees which are paid for duplicate number plates and decals displaying county names must be deposited with the state treasurer for



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1 credit to the motor vehicle fund and allocated to the department to  
2 defray the costs of duplicating the plates and manufacturing the  
3 decals.

4 5. As used in this section:

5 (a) “Duplicate number plate” means a license plate or a set of  
6 license plates issued to a registered owner which repeat the code of a  
7 plate or set of plates previously issued to the owner to maintain his  
8 registration using the same code.

9 (b) “Substitute number plate” means a license plate or a set of  
10 license plates issued in place of a previously issued and unexpired  
11 plate or set of plates. The plate or set of plates does not repeat the  
12 code of the previously issued plate or set.

13 Sec. 7. 1. This section and sections 1, 3, 5 and 6 of this act  
14 become effective on October 1, 2001.

15 2. Sections 2 and 4 of this act become effective at 12:01 a.m. on  
16 October 1, 2001.

17 3. The amendatory provisions of this act expire by limitation on  
18 October 1, 2005, if on that date the department of motor vehicles and  
19 public safety has received fewer than 250 applications for the issuance  
20 of a license plate pursuant to subsections 1 to 6, inclusive, of section 1  
21 of this act.

22 **Sec. 8.** On or before October 1, 2005, the department of motor  
23 vehicles and public safety shall determine and publicly declare the number  
24 of applications it has received for the issuance of license plates pursuant to:

25 1. Section 2 of this act; and

26 2. Section 3 of this act.

27 **Sec. 9.** 1. This section and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 8 of this act  
28 become effective on October 1, 2001.

29 2. Sections 4 and 6 of this act become effective at 12:02 a.m. on  
30 October 1, 2001.

31 3. The amendatory provisions of sections 2, 5 and 6 of this act expire  
32 by limitation on October 1, 2005, if on that date the department of motor  
33 vehicles and public safety has received fewer than 250 applications for the  
34 issuance of license plates pursuant to section 2 of this act.

35 4. The amendatory provisions of section 3 of this act expire by  
36 limitation on October 1, 2005, if on that date the department of motor  
37 vehicles and public safety has received fewer than 250 applications for the  
38 issuance of license plates pursuant to section 3 of this act.

