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CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; providing for the limited issuance of special license plates to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Las Vegas; 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:

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

1. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 7, the department, in cooperation with the board of museums and history of the department of museums, library and arts, shall design, prepare and issue license plates which commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Las Vegas, using any colors and designs that the department deems appropriate. The department shall not design, prepare or issue the commemorative license plates unless it receives at least 250 applications for the issuance of those plates.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, if the department receives at least 250 applications for the issuance of the commemorative license plates, the department shall issue those plates for a passenger car or light commercial vehicle upon application by a person who is entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise complies with the requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter. A person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with the commemorative license plates if that person pays the fees for the personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees for the commemorative license plates pursuant to subsections 3 and 4.

3. The fee for the commemorative license plates is \$35, in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes. The license plates are renewable upon the payment of \$10.

4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes and the fee prescribed in subsection 3, a person who requests a set of the commemorative license plates must pay for the initial issuance of the plates an additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the plates an additional fee of \$20, to be distributed pursuant to subsection 5. The additional fees required pursuant to this subsection must not be charged after December 31, 2005.

5. The department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to subsection 4 with the state treasurer for credit to the state general fund. For the duration of the collection of such fees, the state treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis, distribute the fees to the city treasurer of the City of Las Vegas to be used to pay for:

(a) A celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Las Vegas to be held in 2005; and

(b) Projects relating to the commemoration of the history of the City of Las Vegas, including, without limitation, historical markers, tours of historic sites and improvements to or restoration of historic buildings or structures.

6. If, during a registration year, the holder of the commemorative license plates disposes of the vehicle to which the commemorative license plates are affixed, the holder shall:

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

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

7. The department shall not issue:

(a) The commemorative license plates after December 31, 2005.

(b) Replacement license plates for those license plates after December 31, 2010.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

3. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates of 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 ~~H~~, *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. 3. 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 name50
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 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 ~~requested~~ *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 credit to the motor vehicle fund and allocated to the department to defray the costs of duplicating the plates and manufacturing the decals.

5. As used in this section:

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

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

Sec. 4. On or before October 1, 2003, the department of motor vehicles and public safety shall determine and publicly declare the number of applications it has received for the issuance of license plates pursuant to section 1 of this act.

Sec. 5. The amendatory provisions of this act expire by limitation on October 1, 2003, if on that date the department of motor vehicles and public safety has received fewer than 250 applications for the issuance of license plates pursuant to section 1 of this act.