

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 264—ASSEMBLYMEN ATKINSON, HORNE, OCEGUERA, PARKS, BOBZIEN, DENIS, GERHARDT, GOEDHART, KIHUEN, MANENDO, MARVEL, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, PARNELL, PIERCE, SEGERBLOM, SMITH, STEWART AND WOMACK

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to certain special license plates. (BDR 43-908)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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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 license plates; revising the distribution of money relating to special license plates for the recognition of professional full-time salaried firefighters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law allows for a special license plate for the recognition of
2 professional full-time salaried firefighters. (NRS 482.3753) Certain fees are
3 collected in relation to these special license plates. (NRS 482.3753) This bill
4 removes facilities for the treatment of burns as the recipients of those fees. The new
5 recipient is the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada Benevolent Association.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 482.3753 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:
3 482.3753 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
4 Department, in cooperation with professional full-time salaried
5 firefighters in the State of Nevada, shall design, prepare and issue
6 license plates that recognize current or former employment as a
7 professional full-time salaried firefighter using any colors and
8 designs which the Department deems appropriate. The Department



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1 shall not design, prepare or issue the license plates unless it receives
2 at least 250 applications for the issuance of those plates.

3 2. The Department shall issue license plates that recognize
4 current or former employment as a professional full-time salaried
5 firefighter for a passenger car or a light commercial vehicle upon
6 application by a qualified person who is entitled to license plates
7 pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise complies with the
8 requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter.
9 A person may request that personalized prestige license plates
10 issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with license plates
11 that recognize current or former employment as a professional full-
12 time salaried firefighter if that person pays the fees for the
13 personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees for the
14 license plates that recognize current or former employment as a
15 professional full-time salaried firefighter.

16 3. An application for the issuance or renewal of license plates
17 that recognize current or former employment as a professional full-
18 time salaried firefighter is void unless it is accompanied by
19 documentation which, in the determination of the Department,
20 provides reasonable proof of the identity of the applicant and proof
21 of his:

22 (a) Current employment as a professional full-time salaried
23 firefighter; or

24 (b) Status as a former professional full-time salaried firefighter
25 who retired from employment after completing at least 10 years of
26 creditable service as a firefighter within this State with:

27 (1) A fire department; or

28 (2) A federal or state agency, the duties of which involve the
29 prevention and suppression of fires, including, without limitation,
30 the Bureau of Land Management and the Division of Forestry of the
31 State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

32 4. Proof of an applicant's current or former employment as a
33 professional full-time salaried firefighter must consist of:

34 (a) An identification card issued by the Professional Fire
35 Fighters of Nevada or its successor;

36 (b) An identification card issued by the Nevada Fire Chiefs
37 Association or its successor; or

38 (c) A letter certifying the applicant's current or former
39 employment as a professional full-time salaried firefighter, which
40 letter must be from:

41 (1) The Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada or its successor;
42 (2) The Nevada Fire Chiefs Association or its successor; or

43 (3) The chief officer of a federal or state agency, the duties of
44 which involve the prevention and suppression of fires, including,
45 without limitation, the Bureau of Land Management and the



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1 Division of Forestry of the State Department of Conservation and
2 Natural Resources.

3 5. The fee payable to the Department for license plates that
4 recognize current or former employment as a professional full-time
5 salaried firefighter is \$35, in addition to all other applicable
6 registration and license fees and governmental services taxes. The
7 license plates are renewable upon the payment to the Department of
8 \$10 in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees
9 and governmental services taxes.

10 6. In addition to all other applicable registration and license
11 fees and governmental services taxes and the fees prescribed in
12 subsection 5, a person who requests a set of license plates that
13 recognize current or former employment as a professional full-time
14 salaried firefighter must pay for the initial issuance of the plates an
15 additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the plates an additional
16 fee of \$20 to support ~~facilities for the treatment of burns which are~~
17 ~~located within this State.] the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada~~
18 **Benevolent Association.**

19 7. The Department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to
20 subsection 6 with the State Treasurer for credit to the State General
21 Fund. The State Treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis, distribute the
22 fees deposited pursuant to this subsection ~~[in equal shares]~~ to ~~each~~
23 ~~facility for the treatment of burns that is located within this State.]~~
24 **the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada Benevolent Association.**

25 8. If, during a registration year, the holder of license plates
26 issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the
27 vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:

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

31 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
32 return them to the Department.

33 9. As used in this section ~~E~~:

34 (a) **“Facility for the treatment of burns”** means a facility that:
35 (1) Offers specialized services for the treatment of injuries
36 resulting from burns; and
37 (2) Is part of or located within a hospital that has a center for
38 the treatment of trauma which is designated as a level I center by the
39 Administrator of the Health Division of the Department of Health
40 and Human Services.

41 (b) **“Professional”**, **“professional”** full-time salaried firefighter”
42 means a person employed in this State in a full-time salaried
43 occupation of fire fighting for the benefit or safety of the public.



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1 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

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