

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 484—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION)

MARCH 23, 2015

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Provides for the rolling reissuance of license plates by the Department of Motor Vehicles. (BDR 43-1179)

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 license plates; providing for the reissuance of new license plates by the Department of Motor Vehicles at certain intervals to replace existing license plates; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, the Department of Motor Vehicles is required to furnish to
2 every owner whose vehicle is required to be registered two license plates for a
3 motor vehicle other than a motorcycle and one license plate for all other vehicles,
4 including, without limitation, a motorcycle, a trailer and certain farm tractors or
5 self-propelled implements of husbandry. (NRS 482.265, 482.276) Existing law
6 provides that, in addition to any other fee, the Department may by regulation
7 impose a fee to defray the cost of issuing a license plate. (NRS 482.268) **Section 2**
8 of this bill requires the Department to reissue a license plate or plates issued by the
9 Department every 8 years, and authorizes the Director of the Department to provide
10 procedures for such reissuance in regulations. **Section 1** of this bill provides for the
11 reissuance of such a plate for a trailer with a 3-year registration period at the first
12 renewal of registration that occurs after the existing plate has been issued for 8
13 years. (NRS 482.2065) **Section 6** of this bill requires the Department, at the time
14 when a license plate or a set of plates is to be reissued, to include with the
15 notification of renewal of registration for the plate or plates the amount of any fee
16 to be charged for the reissuance. (NRS 482.280)



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

Section 1. NRS 482.2065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.2065 1. A trailer may be registered for a 3-year period as provided in this section.

2. A person who registers a trailer for a 3-year period must pay upon registration all fees and taxes that would be due during the 3-year period if he or she registered the trailer for 1 year and renewed that registration for 2 consecutive years immediately thereafter, including, without limitation:

(a) Registration fees pursuant to NRS 482.480 and 482.483.

(b) A fee for each license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.268.

(c) Fees for the initial issuance, *reissuance* and renewal of a special license plate pursuant to NRS 482.265, if applicable.

(d) Fees for the initial issuance and renewal of a personalized prestige license plate pursuant to NRS 482.367, if applicable.

(e) Additional fees for the initial issuance and renewal of a special license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823, inclusive, which are imposed to generate financial support for a particular cause or charitable organization, if applicable.

(f) Governmental services taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 371 of NRS, as provided in NRS 482.260.

(g) The applicable taxes imposed pursuant to chapters 372, 374, 377 and 377A of NRS.

3. *A license plate issued pursuant to this section will be reissued as provided in NRS 482.265 except that such reissuance will be done at the first renewal after the license plate has been issued for not less than 8 years.*

4. As used in this section, the term "trailer" does not include a full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483.

Sec. 2. NRS 482.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.265 1. The Department shall furnish to every owner whose vehicle is registered two license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle and one license plate for all other vehicles required to be registered hereunder. Upon renewal of registration, the Department may issue one or more license plate stickers, tabs or other suitable devices in lieu of new license plates.

2. *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2065, every 8 years the Department shall reissue a license plate or plates at the time of renewal of each license plate or plates issued pursuant to this chapter. The Director may adopt regulations to provide procedures for such reissuance.*



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1 3. The Director shall have the authority to require the return to
2 the Department of all number plates upon termination of the lawful
3 use thereof by the owner under this chapter.

4 ~~3-1~~ 4. Except as otherwise specifically provided by statute, for
5 the issuance of each special license plate authorized pursuant to this
6 chapter:

7 (a) The fee to be received by the Department for the initial
8 issuance of the special license plate is \$35, exclusive of any
9 additional fee which may be added to generate funds for a particular
10 cause or charitable organization;

11 (b) The fee to be received by the Department for the renewal of
12 the special license plate is \$10, exclusive of any additional fee
13 which may be added to generate financial support for a particular
14 cause or charitable organization; and

15 (c) The Department shall not design, prepare or issue a special
16 license plate unless, within 4 years after the date on which the
17 measure authorizing the issuance becomes effective, it receives at
18 least 250 applications for the issuance of that plate.

19 ~~14-1~~ 5. The provisions of subsection ~~13-1~~ 4 do not apply to
20 NRS 482.37901.

21 **Sec. 3.** NRS 482.266 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 482.266 1. A person who desires to have regular or
23 personalized license plates that are substantially in the same color
24 and form as license plates manufactured before January 1, 1982,
25 must:

26 (a) Submit a written request for such license plates to the
27 Department in a manner and form prescribed by the Department;
28 and

29 (b) In addition to all other applicable registration fees, licensing
30 fees and governmental services taxes, pay the manufacturing fee
31 prescribed by the Department.

32 ↪ A person requesting license plates pursuant to this section must
33 comply with all requirements for registration and licensing pursuant
34 to this chapter. A request for license plates pursuant to this section
35 does not, by itself, constitute a request for special license plates
36 pursuant to subsection ~~13-1~~ 4 of NRS 482.265.

37 2. After receiving a request and the full amount of the payment
38 due for license plates requested pursuant to subsection 1, the
39 Department shall manufacture the license plates using substantially
40 the same process, dies and materials as were used to manufacture
41 license plates before January 1, 1982. The Department shall deliver
42 license plates requested pursuant to this section to a person who
43 requests such license plates within 180 days after acceptance of the
44 written request or after receipt of payment therefor, whichever
45 occurs last.



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3. The Department shall:

(a) Prescribe, by regulation, a manner and form for submitting a written request pursuant to subsection 1. The form must include, without limitation, an indication of whether the requester desires to have the same letters and numbers on the license plates requested as are on the license plates that are registered to the requester at the time of the request.

(b) Determine the cost of manufacturing a license plate pursuant to this section and prescribe a manufacturing fee, which must not exceed \$25, to defray the cost of manufacturing license plates pursuant to this section. The manufacturing fee must be:

(1) Collected by the Department;

(2) Deposited with the State Treasurer to the credit of the State Highway Fund; and

(3) Allocated to the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Special License Plates created pursuant to NRS 482.1805 to defray the costs of manufacturing license plates pursuant to this section.

4. A person who requests license plates pursuant to this section may keep the license plates which are registered to him or her at the time of the request if the license plates requested contain the same letters and numbers as the license plates which are registered to the person at the time of the request.

Sec. 4. NRS 482.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section or by specific statute, the Director shall order the redesign and preparation of motor vehicle license plates.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department ~~shall,~~ **may**, upon the payment of all applicable fees, issue redesigned motor vehicle license plates . ~~pursuant to this section to persons who apply for the registration or renewal of the registration of a motor vehicle on or after January 1, 2001.~~

3. The Department shall not issue redesigned motor vehicle license plates pursuant to this section to a person who was issued motor vehicle license plates before January 1, 1982, or pursuant to NRS 482.3747, 482.3763, ~~482.3775, 482.378,~~ 482.379 or 482.37901, without the approval of the person.

4. The Director may determine and vary the size, shape and form and the material of which license plates are made, but each license plate must be of sufficient size to be plainly readable from a distance of 100 feet during daylight. All license plates must be treated to reflect light and to be at least 100 times brighter than conventional painted number plates. When properly mounted on an unlighted vehicle, the license plates, when viewed from a vehicle equipped with standard headlights, must be visible for a distance of



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1 not less than 1,500 feet and readable for a distance of not less than
2 110 feet.

3 5. Every license plate must have displayed upon it:

4 (a) The registration number, or combination of letters and
5 numbers, assigned to the vehicle and to the owner thereof;

6 (b) The name of this State, which may be abbreviated;

7 (c) If issued for a calendar year, the year; and

8 (d) If issued for a registration period other than a calendar year,
9 the month and year the registration expires.

10 6. Each special license plate that is designed, prepared and
11 issued pursuant to NRS 482.367002 must be designed and prepared
12 in such a manner that:

13 (a) The left-hand one-third of the plate is the only part of the
14 plate on which is displayed any design or other insignia that is
15 suggested pursuant to paragraph (f) of subsection 2 of that section;
16 and

17 (b) The remainder of the plate conforms to the requirements for
18 lettering and design that are set forth in this section.

19 **Sec. 5.** NRS 482.276 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 482.276 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the
21 contrary:

22 1. Any agricultural user who wishes to obtain a license plate
23 and decal to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of
24 husbandry on the highways of this State may submit an application
25 to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department. Each application
26 must be made upon the appropriate form furnished by the
27 Department. The application must include a nonrefundable fee of
28 \$20.50 and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the
29 agricultural user is the holder of a policy of liability insurance which
30 provides at least \$300,000 in coverage for bodily injury and
31 property damage resulting from any single accident caused by the
32 agricultural user while operating the farm tractor or self-propelled
33 implement of husbandry. As soon as practicable after receiving the
34 application, fee and evidence of insurance, the Department shall
35 issue the license plate and decal to the agricultural user to affix to
36 the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry. A decal
37 issued pursuant to this subsection expires on December 31 of the
38 year in which the Department issues the decal. The license plate and
39 decal are not transferable and must be surrendered or returned to the
40 Department within 60 days after:

41 (a) A transfer of ownership or interest in the farm tractor or self-
42 propelled implement of husbandry occurs; or

43 (b) The decal expires pursuant to this subsection and the
44 agricultural user fails to submit an application for renewal pursuant
45 to subsection 2.



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2. An application for the renewal of a license plate and decal issued pursuant to subsection 1 must be made upon the appropriate form furnished by the Department. The application for renewal must include a nonrefundable fee of \$10 and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the agricultural user is the holder of a policy of liability insurance specified in subsection 1. As soon as practicable after receiving the application for renewal, fee and evidence of insurance, the Department shall issue a new decal to affix to the license plate ~~H~~ *or a plate reissued pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 482.265*. A decal issued pursuant to this subsection expires on December 31 of the year in which the Department issues the decal.

3. A license plate issued pursuant to subsection 1 must be displayed on the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry in such a manner that the license plate is easily visible from the rear of the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry. If the license plate is lost or destroyed, the Department may issue a replacement plate upon the payment of a fee of 50 cents. If the decal is lost or destroyed, the Department may, upon the payment of the fee specified in subsection 2, issue a replacement decal for the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry.

4. Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 445B of NRS to the contrary, an agricultural user is not required to obtain a certificate of compliance or vehicle inspection report concerning the control of emissions from a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry before obtaining a license plate and decal for or operating the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry pursuant to this section.

5. As used in this section, "agricultural user" means any person who owns or operates a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry specified in subsection 1 for an agricultural use. As used in this subsection, "agricultural use" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 361A.030.

Sec. 6. NRS 482.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.280 1. The registration of every vehicle expires at midnight on the day specified on the receipt of registration, unless the day specified falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. If the day specified on the receipt of registration is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the registration of the vehicle expires at midnight on the next judicial day. The Department shall mail to each holder of a certificate of registration a notification for renewal of registration for the following period of registration. The notifications must be mailed by the Department in sufficient time to allow all applicants to mail the notifications to the Department or to renew the certificate of registration at a kiosk or authorized inspection station or via the Internet or an interactive response system and to receive new



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1 certificates of registration and license plates, stickers, tabs or other
2 suitable devices by mail before the expiration of their registrations.
3 An applicant may present or submit the notification to any agent or
4 office of the Department.

5 2. A notification:

6 (a) Mailed or presented to the Department or to a county
7 assessor pursuant to the provisions of this section;

8 (b) Submitted to the Department pursuant to NRS 482.294; or

9 (c) Presented to an authorized inspection station or authorized
10 station pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.281,

11 ➔ must include, if required, evidence of compliance with standards
12 for the control of emissions.

13 3. The Department shall include with each notification mailed
14 pursuant to subsection 1:

15 (a) The amount of the governmental services tax to be collected
16 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.260.

17 (b) The amount set forth in a notice of nonpayment filed with
18 the Department by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484B.527.

19 (c) A statement which informs the applicant:

20 (1) That, pursuant to NRS 485.185, the applicant is legally
21 required to maintain insurance during the period in which the motor
22 vehicle is registered which must be provided by an insurance
23 company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of
24 Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State; and

25 (2) Of any other applicable requirements set forth in chapter
26 485 of NRS and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

27 (d) A statement which informs the applicant that, if the applicant
28 renews a certificate of registration at a kiosk or via the Internet, he
29 or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2 for
30 each vehicle registration renewed for the Complete Streets Program,
31 if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as
32 applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c)
33 of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215. The notification must state in a
34 clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete
35 Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to
36 any fees required for registration.

37 *(e) Any amount due for reissuance of a license plate or a plate*
38 *reissued pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 482.265, if applicable.*

39 4. An application for renewal of a certificate of registration
40 submitted at a kiosk or via the Internet must include a statement
41 which informs the applicant that he or she may make a
42 nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2, for each vehicle
43 registration which is renewed at a kiosk or via the Internet, for the
44 Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS
45 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the



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1 declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS
2 482.215. The application must state in a clear and conspicuous
3 manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is
4 nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required
5 for registration, and must include a method by which the applicant
6 must indicate his or her intention to opt in or opt out of making such
7 a contribution.

8 5. An owner who has made proper application for renewal of
9 registration before the expiration of the current registration but who
10 has not received the license plate or plates or card of registration for
11 the ensuing period of registration is entitled to operate or permit the
12 operation of that vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon
13 the license plate or plates issued for the preceding period of
14 registration for such a time as may be prescribed by the Department
15 as it may find necessary for the issuance of the new plate or plates
16 or card of registration.

17 **Sec. 7.** NRS 482.3667 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 482.3667 1. The Department shall establish, design and
19 otherwise prepare for issue personalized prestige license plates and
20 shall establish all necessary procedures not inconsistent with this
21 section for the application and issuance of such license plates.

22 2. The Department shall issue personalized prestige license
23 plates, upon payment of the prescribed fee, to any person who
24 otherwise complies with the laws relating to the registration and
25 licensing of motor vehicles or trailers for use on private passenger
26 cars, motorcycles, trucks or trailers, except that such plates may not
27 be issued for a full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to
28 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483.

29 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2065,
30 personalized prestige license plates are valid for 12 months and are
31 renewable upon expiration. ~~These~~

32 *4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, personalized*
33 *prestige license* plates may be transferred from one vehicle or trailer
34 to another if the transfer and registration fees are paid as set out in
35 this chapter.

36 ~~4.~~ 5. In case of any conflict, the person who first made
37 application for personalized prestige license plates and has
38 continuously renewed them by payment of the required fee has
39 priority.

40 ~~5.~~ 6. The Department may limit by regulation the number of
41 letters and numbers used , ~~and~~ prohibit the use of inappropriate
42 letters or combinations of letters and numbers ~~.~~

43 ~~6.~~ *and prohibit the transfer of personalized prestige license*
44 *plates from one vehicle or trailer to another if such a transfer*



1 *would result in an inappropriate use of letters or combination of*
2 *letters and numbers.*

3 7. The Department shall not assign to any person not holding
4 the relevant office any letters and numbers denoting that the holder
5 holds a public office.

6 **Sec. 8.** NRS 482.367008 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows:

8 482.367008 1. As used in this section, "special license plate"
9 means:

10 (a) A license plate that the Department has designed and
11 prepared pursuant to NRS 482.367002 in accordance with the
12 system of application and petition described in that section;

13 (b) A license plate approved by the Legislature that the
14 Department has designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.3747,
15 482.37903, 482.37905, 482.37917, 482.379175, 482.37918,
16 482.37919, 482.3792, 482.3793, 482.37933, 482.37934, 482.37935,
17 482.379355, 482.379365, 482.37937, 482.379375, 482.37938 or
18 482.37945; and

19 (c) Except for a license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS
20 482.3757, 482.3785, 482.3787 or 482.37901, a license plate that is
21 approved by the Legislature after July 1, 2005.

22 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
23 and except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department
24 shall not, at any one time, issue more than 30 separate designs of
25 special license plates. Whenever the total number of separate
26 designs of special license plates issued by the Department at any one
27 time is less than 30, the Department shall issue a number of
28 additional designs of special license plates that have been authorized
29 by an act of the Legislature or the application for which has been
30 recommended by the Commission on Special License Plates to be
31 approved by the Department pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS
32 482.367004, not to exceed a total of 30 designs issued by the
33 Department at any one time. Such additional designs must be issued
34 by the Department in accordance with the chronological order of
35 their authorization or approval by the Department.

36 3. In addition to the special license plates described in
37 subsection 2, the Department may issue not more than five separate
38 designs of special license plates in excess of the limit set forth in
39 that subsection. To qualify for issuance pursuant to this subsection:

40 (a) The Commission on Special License Plates must have
41 recommended to the Department that the Department approve the
42 design, preparation and issuance of the special plates as described in
43 paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 5 of NRS 482.367004; and



(b) The special license plates must have been applied for, designed, prepared and issued pursuant to NRS 482.367002, except that:

(1) The application for the special license plates must be accompanied by a surety bond posted with the Department in the amount of \$20,000; and

(2) Pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the design of the special license plates that is conducted pursuant to this section, it is determined that at least 3,000 special license plates have been issued.

4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, on October 1 of each year the Department shall assess the viability of each separate design of special license plate that the Department is currently issuing by determining the total number of validly registered motor vehicles to which that design of special license plate is affixed. The Department shall not determine the total number of validly registered motor vehicles to which a particular design of special license plate is affixed if:

(a) The particular design of special license plate was designed and prepared by the Department pursuant to NRS 482.367002; and

(b) On October 1, that particular design of special license plate has been available to be issued for less than 12 months.

5. If, on October 1, the total number of validly registered motor vehicles to which a particular design of special license plate is affixed is:

(a) In the case of special license plates not described in subsection 3, less than 1,000; or

(b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection 3, less than 3,000,

the Director shall provide notice of that fact in the manner described in subsection 6.

6. The notice required pursuant to subsection 5 must be provided:

(a) If the special license plate generates financial support for a cause or charitable organization, to that cause or charitable organization.

(b) If the special license plate does not generate financial support for a cause or charitable organization, to an entity which is involved in promoting the activity, place or other matter that is depicted on the plate.

7. If, on December 31 of the same year in which notice was provided pursuant to subsections 5 and 6, the total number of validly registered motor vehicles to which a particular design of special license plate is affixed is:



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(a) In the case of special license plates not described in subsection 3, less than 1,000; or

(b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection 3, less than 3,000,

the Director shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, issue an order providing that the Department will no longer issue that particular design of special license plate. ~~Such~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 482.265, such* an order does not require existing holders of that particular design of special license plate to surrender their plates to the Department and does not prohibit those holders from renewing those plates.

Sec. 9. NRS 482.3757 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.3757 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Department shall design, prepare and issue license plates honoring peace officers who have received a medal specified in subsection 3, or the equivalent thereof.

2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different number than the first set of plates issued to the person. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.

3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the person is:

(a) A current or former peace officer who has received one or more of the following medals, or the equivalent thereof, for his or her service as a peace officer:

- (1) The Medal of Honor;
- (2) The Purple Heart;
- (3) The Medal of Valor;
- (4) The Lifesaving Medal;
- (5) The Meritorious Service Medal; or
- (6) The Distinguished Service Medal; or

(b) A family member of a person who was:

- (1) Killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer;

and

(2) Awarded posthumously the Medal of Honor, or the equivalent thereof, for his or her actions as a peace officer.

4. A qualifying event described in subsection 3 that entitles a person to special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of



1 this section is a qualifying event regardless of whether the event
2 occurs or occurred before, on or after July 1, 2013.

3 5. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special
4 license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section
5 disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder
6 shall:

7 (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which
8 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
9 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
10 transfers; or

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

13 6. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection ~~†~~ *and NRS*
14 *482.265*, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license
15 fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the
16 issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this
17 section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,
18 stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of
19 replacement license plates from the Department for ~~†a fee of \$5.†~~ *the*
20 *fee required pursuant to NRS 482.268.*

21 7. As used in this section:

22 (a) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent,
23 stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half
24 sibling or stepsibling.

25 (b) "Killed in the line of duty while serving as a peace officer"
26 includes peace officers who:

27 (1) Are killed directly in the line of duty; and

28 (2) Die as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.

29 (c) "Peace officer" means any person upon whom some or all of
30 the powers of a peace officer are conferred pursuant to NRS
31 289.150 to 289.360, inclusive.

32 **Sec. 10.** NRS 482.3775 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 482.3775 1. A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United
34 States who was awarded the Purple Heart is entitled to specially
35 designed license plates which indicate that the veteran is a recipient
36 of the Purple Heart.

37 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant
38 to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the
39 person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle,
40 the second set of plates must have a different number than the first
41 set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates
42 issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private
43 passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.

44 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates
45 for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an



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1 application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence of
2 his or her status as a recipient of the Purple Heart as required by the
3 Department. The Department may designate any appropriate colors
4 for the special plates.

5 4. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special
6 license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section
7 disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder
8 shall:

9 (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which
10 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
11 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
12 transfers; or

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

15 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection ~~H~~ *and NRS*
16 *482.265*, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license
17 fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the
18 issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this
19 section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,
20 stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of
21 replacement license plates from the Department for ~~a fee of \$5.~~ *the*
22 *fee required pursuant to NRS 482.268.*

23 **Sec. 11.** NRS 482.3785 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 482.3785 1. Each family member of a person killed in the
25 line of duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United
26 States is entitled to specially designed license plates which indicate
27 that the person is a family member of a person killed in the line of
28 duty while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.

29 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant
30 to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the
31 person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle,
32 the second set of plates must have a different number than the first
33 set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates
34 issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private
35 passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.

36 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates
37 for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an
38 application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence
39 satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of
40 a person killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed
41 Forces of the United States. The Department may designate any
42 appropriate colors for the special plates, but must ensure that the
43 design of the plates includes a gold star.

44 4. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special
45 license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section



1 disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder
2 shall:

3 (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which
4 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
5 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
6 transfers; or

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

9 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection ~~H~~ and NRS
10 482.265, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license
11 fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the
12 issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this
13 section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,
14 stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of
15 replacement license plates from the Department for ~~a fee of \$5.~~ the
16 fee required pursuant to NRS 482.268.

17 6. As used in this section:

18 (a) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent,
19 stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half
20 sibling or stepsibling.

21 (b) "Killed in the line of duty while on active duty in the Armed
22 Forces of the United States" includes persons killed directly in the
23 line of duty and persons who die as a result of injuries sustained in
24 the line of duty.

25 **Sec. 12.** NRS 482.3787 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 482.3787 1. Each family member of a person who died as a
27 result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces
28 of the United States is entitled to specially designed license plates
29 which indicate that the person is a family member of a person who
30 died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the
31 Armed Forces of the United States.

32 2. Each person who qualifies for special license plates pursuant
33 to this section may apply for not more than two sets of plates. If the
34 person applies for a second set of plates for an additional vehicle,
35 the second set of plates must have a different number than the first
36 set of plates issued to the same applicant. Special license plates
37 issued pursuant to this section may be used only on a private
38 passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a motor home.

39 3. The Department shall issue specially designed license plates
40 for any person qualified pursuant to this section who submits an
41 application on a form prescribed by the Department and evidence
42 satisfactory to the Department that the person is a family member of
43 a person who died as a result of injuries sustained while on active
44 duty in the Armed Forces of the United States. The Department may
45 designate any appropriate colors for the special plates.



4. If, during a registration year, the holder of a set of special license plates issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:

(a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other transfers; or

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

5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection ~~††~~ *and NRS 482.265*, no fee in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or renewal of a set of special license plates pursuant to this section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost, stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of replacement license plates from the Department for ~~†a fee of \$5.†~~ *the fee required pursuant to NRS 482.268.*

6. As used in this section:

(a) "Died as a result of injuries sustained while on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States" includes persons who die as a result of an injury sustained while on active duty whether or not the person had been discharged from military service at the time of his or her death.

(b) "Family member" means a widow, widower, parent, stepparent, grandparent, child, stepchild, dependent, sibling, half sibling or stepsibling.

Sec. 13. NRS 482.3825 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.3825 1. The Director may order the design and preparation of souvenir license plates which are easily distinguishable in design or color from regular license plates. The Director may establish a fee for the issuance of such plates of not more than \$15 per plate. The Department may issue more than one plate of any particular design.

2. All money collected from the issuance of souvenir license plates must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the ~~†Motor Vehicle Fund.†~~ *License Plate Production Account created by NRS 482.268.*

3. As used in this section, "issuance" does not include the resale of a souvenir license plate as authorized pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 482.3824.

Sec. 14. 1. This section and sections 3, 4, 7 and 9 to 13, inclusive, of this act become effective upon passage and approval; and

2. Sections 1, 2, 5, 6 and 8 of this act become effective:



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- 1 (a) On July 1, 2015, for the purpose of adopting regulations and
- 2 performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to
- 3 carry out the provisions of this act; and
- 4 (b) On July 1, 2016, for all other purposes.

