



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB0027

Introduced 1/15/2015, by Sen. Wm. Sam McCann

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/5.866 new
625 ILCS 5/3-699.14 new

Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Sons of American Legion Scholarship Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides for the issuance of Sons of the American Legion special license plates. Provides that an applicant shall be charged an additional fee of \$15 at original issuance and an additional \$10 upon renewal. Provides that \$5 of the original issuance fee and renewal fee shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund. Provides that \$10 of the original issuance fee and \$5 of the renewal fee shall be deposited into the Sons of American Legion Scholarship Fund. Provides all moneys in the Sons of the American Legion Scholarship Fund shall, subject to appropriation, be used for grants for scholarships for Illinois residents who are children of members of the Sons of the American Legion and who meet the academic, financial, and other requirements established by the Sons of the American Legion. Provides that all grants must be used at a college or university in Illinois.

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5.866 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.866 new)

7 Sec. 5.866. The Sons of the American Legion Scholarship
8 Fund.

9 Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
10 Section 3-699.14 as follows:

11 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.14 new)

12 Sec. 3-699.14. Sons of the American Legion license plates.

13 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and
14 applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary of
15 State, may issue special registration plates designated as Sons
16 of the American Legion license plates. The special plates
17 issued under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger
18 vehicles of the first division or motor vehicles of the second
19 division weighing not more than 8,000 lbs. Plates issued under
20 this Section shall expire according to the multi-year procedure
21 established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

1 (b) The design and color of the special plates shall be
2 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary, except that the
3 phrase "Sons of the American Legion", and the official Emblem
4 of the Sons of the American Legion shall be on the plates. The
5 Secretary may allow the plates to be issued as vanity plates or
6 personalized plates under Section 3-405.1 of the Code.
7 Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary,
8 shall accompany each application.

9 (c) A series of letters and numbers shall be reserved for
10 special plates issued under this Section to past detachment
11 commanders of the Sons of the American Legion. The series of
12 letters and numbers reserved under this Section shall have the
13 prefix of "PDC" and be followed by 2 numerals ranging from
14 00-99 that designate the year that the past detachment
15 commander last served. For example, "PDC 08" would identify the
16 past detachment commander that last served during the year
17 2008. Certification by the detachment adjutant will be required
18 in the form of a letter verifying service dates of the past
19 detachment commander for issuance of the special plate.

20 (d) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged a
21 \$15 fee for original issuance in addition to the appropriate
22 registration fee. Of this additional fee, \$10 shall be
23 deposited into the Sons of the American Legion Scholarship Fund
24 and \$5 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special
25 License Plate Fund, to be used by the Secretary to help defray
26 the administrative processing costs. For each registration

1 renewal period, a \$10 fee, in addition to the appropriate
2 registration fee, shall be charged. Of this additional fee, \$5
3 shall be deposited into the Sons of the American Legion
4 Scholarship Fund and \$5 shall be deposited into the Secretary
5 of State Special License Plate Fund.

6 (e) The Sons of the American Legion Scholarship Fund is
7 created as a special fund in the State treasury. All moneys in
8 the Sons of the American Legion Scholarship Fund shall be paid,
9 subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and
10 distribution by the Secretary, as grants for scholarships for
11 higher education. The scholarship recipients must be the
12 children of current or former members of the Sons of the
13 American Legion who meet the academic, financial, and other
14 requirements established by the Sons of the American Legion. In
15 addition, the recipients must be residents of this State and
16 must attend a college or university located within this State.