

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4401

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/3-699.14

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to allow for the issuance of In God We Trust special license plate decals by the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs. Provides that \$11 of each original issuance and \$24 of each renewal shall be deposited into the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund, and that \$15 of each original issuance and \$2 of each renewal shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing
Section 3-699.14 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.14)

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Sec. 3-699.14. Universal special license plates.

8 (a) In addition to any other special license plate, the 9 Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue 10 Universal special license plates to residents of Illinois on 11 behalf of organizations that have been authorized by the 12 General Assembly to issue decals for Universal special license 13 14 plates. Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary, shall accompany each application. Authorized 15 16 organizations shall be designated by amendment to this Section. 17 When applying for a Universal special license plate the applicant shall inform the Secretary of the name of the 18 19 authorized organization from which the applicant will obtain a 20 decal to place on the plate. The Secretary shall make a record 21 of that organization and that organization shall remain 22 affiliated with that plate until the plate is surrendered, revoked, or otherwise cancelled. The authorized organization 23

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may charge a fee to offset the cost of producing and 1 2 distributing the decal, but that fee shall be retained by the 3 authorized organization and shall be separate and distinct from any registration fees charged by the Secretary. No decal, 4 5 sticker, or other material may be affixed to a Universal special license plate other than a decal authorized by the 6 7 General Assembly in this Section or a registration renewal 8 sticker. The special plates issued under this Section shall be 9 affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division, 10 including motorcycles and autocycles, or motor vehicles of the 11 second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates 12 issued under this Section shall expire according to the 13 multi-year procedure under Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

14 (b) The design, color, and format of the Universal special 15 license plate shall be wholly within the discretion of the 16 Secretary. Universal special license plates are not required to 17 designate "Land of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of Section 3-412 of this Code. The design shall allow for the 18 application of a decal to the plate. Organizations authorized 19 20 by the General Assembly to issue decals for Universal special license plates shall comply with rules adopted by the Secretary 21 22 governing the requirements for and approval of Universal 23 special license plate decals. The Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow Universal special license plates to be issued 24 25 as vanity or personalized plates in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The Secretary of State must make a 26

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version of the special registration plates authorized under this Section in a form appropriate for motorcycles and autocycles.

(c) When authorizing a Universal special license plate, the 4 5 General Assembly shall set forth whether an additional fee is to be charged for the plate and, if a fee is to be charged, the 6 7 amount of the fee and how the fee is to be distributed. When 8 necessary, the authorizing language shall create a special fund 9 in the State treasury into which fees may be deposited for an 10 authorized Universal special license plate. Additional fees 11 may only be charged if the fee is to be paid over to a State 12 agency or to a charitable entity that is in compliance with the 13 registration and reporting requirements of the Charitable 14 Trust Act and the Solicitation for Charity Act. Any charitable 15 entity receiving fees for the sale of Universal special license 16 plates shall annually provide the Secretary of State a letter 17 of compliance issued by the Attorney General verifying that the entity is in compliance with the Charitable Trust Act and the 18 Solicitation for Charity Act. 19

20 Upon original issuance and for each registration (d) 21 renewal period, in addition to the appropriate registration 22 fee, if applicable, the Secretary shall collect any additional 23 fees, if required, for issuance of Universal special license The fees shall be collected on behalf of 24 plates. the 25 organization designated by the applicant when applying for the plate. All fees collected shall be transferred to the State 26

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agency on whose behalf the fees were collected, or paid into the special fund designated in the law authorizing the organization to issue decals for Universal special license plates. All money in the designated fund shall be distributed by the Secretary subject to appropriation by the General Assembly.

7 (e) The following organizations may issue decals for
8 Universal special license plates with the original and renewal
9 fees and fee distribution as follows:

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(1) The Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

(A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the
Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund and \$15 to the Secretary
of State Special <u>License</u> Plate Fund.

14 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Roadside Monarch
15 Habitat Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State Special
16 <u>License</u> Plate Fund.

(2) Illinois Veterans' Homes.

(A) Original issuance: \$26, which shall be
 deposited into the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund.

20 (B) Renewal: \$26, which shall be deposited into the
21 Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund.

(3) The Illinois Department of Human Services forvolunteerism decals.

(A) Original issuance: \$25, which shall be
 deposited into the Secretary of State Special <u>License</u>
 Plate Fund.

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1	(B) Renewal: \$25, which shall be deposited into the
2	Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.
3	(4) (3) The Illinois Department of Public Health.
4	(A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the
5	Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund and \$15 to the Secretary
6	of State Special License Plate Fund.
7	(B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Prostate Cancer
8	Awareness Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State Special
9	License Plate Fund.
10	(5) (3) Horsemen's Council of Illinois.
11	(A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the
12	Horsemen's Council of Illinois Fund and \$15 to the
13	Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.
14	(B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Horsemen's
15	Council of Illinois Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of
16	State Special License Plate Fund.
17	(6) The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs for In
18	<u>God We Trust decals.</u>
19	(A) Original issuance: \$26; with \$11 to the
20	Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund and \$15 to the Secretary
21	of State Special License Plate Fund.
22	(B) Renewal: \$26; with \$24 to the Illinois
23	Veterans' Homes Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State
24	Special License Plate Fund.
25	(f) The following funds are created as special funds in the
26	State treasury:

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(1) The Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund. All moneys to be
 paid as grants to the Illinois Department of Natural
 Resources to fund roadside monarch and other pollinator
 habitat development, enhancement, and restoration projects
 in this State.
 (2) The Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund. All moneys to

7 be paid as grants to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of 8 Chicago.

9 <u>(3)</u> (2) The Horsemen's Council of Illinois Fund. All 10 moneys shall be paid as grants to the Horsemen's Council of 11 Illinois.

12 (Source: P.A. 99-483, eff. 7-1-16; 99-723, eff. 8-5-16; 99-814, 13 eff. 1-1-17; 100-57, eff. 1-1-18; 100-60, eff. 1-1-18; 100-78, 14 eff. 1-1-18; 100-201, eff. 8-18-17; revised 1-21-18.)