



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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**HB2584**

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/5.990 new  
625 ILCS 5/3-699.14

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Allows the issuance of Lyme disease research decals by the Department of Natural Resources. Provides that \$10 of each original issuance and \$23 of each renewal shall be deposited into the Tick Research, Education, and Evaluation 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. Provides that money in the Tick Research, Education, and Evaluation Fund shall be paid as grants to the Illinois Lyme Association. Makes a corresponding change in the State Finance Act.

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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 5.990 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.990 new)

7 Sec. 5.990. The Tick Research, Education, and Evaluation  
8 Fund.

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

11 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.14)

12 Sec. 3-699.14. Universal special license plates.

13 (a) In addition to any other special license plate, the  
14 Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and  
15 applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may  
16 issue Universal special license plates to residents of  
17 Illinois on behalf of organizations that have been authorized  
18 by the General Assembly to issue decals for Universal special  
19 license plates. Appropriate documentation, as determined by  
20 the Secretary, shall accompany each application. Authorized  
21 organizations shall be designated by amendment to this

1 Section. When applying for a Universal special license plate  
2 the applicant shall inform the Secretary of the name of the  
3 authorized organization from which the applicant will obtain a  
4 decal to place on the plate. The Secretary shall make a record  
5 of that organization and that organization shall remain  
6 affiliated with that plate until the plate is surrendered,  
7 revoked, or otherwise cancelled. The authorized organization  
8 may charge a fee to offset the cost of producing and  
9 distributing the decal, but that fee shall be retained by the  
10 authorized organization and shall be separate and distinct  
11 from any registration fees charged by the Secretary. No decal,  
12 sticker, or other material may be affixed to a Universal  
13 special license plate other than a decal authorized by the  
14 General Assembly in this Section or a registration renewal  
15 sticker. The special plates issued under this Section shall be  
16 affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division,  
17 including motorcycles and autocycles, or motor vehicles of the  
18 second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates  
19 issued under this Section shall expire according to the  
20 multi-year procedure under Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

21 (b) The design, color, and format of the Universal special  
22 license plate shall be wholly within the discretion of the  
23 Secretary. Universal special license plates are not required  
24 to designate "Land of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection  
25 (b) of Section 3-412 of this Code. The design shall allow for  
26 the application of a decal to the plate. Organizations

1 authorized by the General Assembly to issue decals for  
2 Universal special license plates shall comply with rules  
3 adopted by the Secretary governing the requirements for and  
4 approval of Universal special license plate decals. The  
5 Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow Universal  
6 special license plates to be issued as vanity or personalized  
7 plates in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The  
8 Secretary of State must make a version of the special  
9 registration plates authorized under this Section in a form  
10 appropriate for motorcycles and autocycles.

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

1           (d) Upon original issuance and for each registration  
2 renewal period, in addition to the appropriate registration  
3 fee, if applicable, the Secretary shall collect any additional  
4 fees, if required, for issuance of Universal special license  
5 plates. The fees shall be collected on behalf of the  
6 organization designated by the applicant when applying for the  
7 plate. All fees collected shall be transferred to the State  
8 agency on whose behalf the fees were collected, or paid into  
9 the special fund designated in the law authorizing the  
10 organization to issue decals for Universal special license  
11 plates. All money in the designated fund shall be distributed  
12 by the Secretary subject to appropriation by the General  
13 Assembly.

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

17           (1) The Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

18           (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
19 Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund and \$15 to the Secretary  
20 of State Special License Plate Fund.

21           (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Roadside Monarch  
22 Habitat Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State Special  
23 License Plate Fund.

24           (2) Illinois Veterans' Homes.

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

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

3 (3) The Illinois Department of Human Services for  
4 volunteerism decals.

5 (A) Original issuance: \$25, which shall be  
6 deposited into the Secretary of State Special License  
7 Plate Fund.

8 (B) Renewal: \$25, which shall be deposited into  
9 the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

10 (4) The Illinois Department of Public Health.

11 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
12 Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund and \$15 to the  
13 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

14 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Prostate Cancer  
15 Awareness Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State  
16 Special License Plate Fund.

17 (5) Horsemen's Council of Illinois.

18 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
19 Horsemen's Council of Illinois Fund and \$15 to the  
20 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

21 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Horsemen's  
22 Council of Illinois Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of  
23 State Special License Plate Fund.

24 (6) K9s for Veterans, NFP.

25 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
26 Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Fund and \$15

1 to the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

2 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Post-Traumatic  
3 Stress Disorder Awareness Fund and \$2 to the Secretary  
4 of State Special License Plate Fund.

5 (7) The International Association of Machinists and  
6 Aerospace Workers.

7 (A) Original issuance: \$35; with \$20 to the Guide  
8 Dogs of America Fund and \$15 to the Secretary of State  
9 Special License Plate Fund.

10 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 going to the Guide Dogs  
11 of America Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State  
12 Special License Plate Fund.

13 (8) Local Lodge 701 of the International Association  
14 of Machinists and Aerospace Workers.

15 (A) Original issuance: \$35; with \$10 to the Guide  
16 Dogs of America Fund, \$10 to the Mechanics Training  
17 Fund, and \$15 to the Secretary of State Special  
18 License Plate Fund.

19 (B) Renewal: \$30; with \$13 to the Guide Dogs of  
20 America Fund, \$15 to the Mechanics Training Fund, and  
21 \$2 to the Secretary of State Special License Plate  
22 Fund.

23 (9) Illinois Department of Human Services.

24 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
25 Theresa Tracy Trot - Illinois CancerCare Foundation  
26 Fund and \$15 to the Secretary of State Special License

1 Plate Fund.

2 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Theresa Tracy  
3 Trot - Illinois CancerCare Foundation Fund and \$2 to  
4 the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

5 (10) The Illinois Department of Human Services for  
6 developmental disabilities awareness decals.

7 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
8 Developmental Disabilities Awareness Fund and \$15 to  
9 the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

10 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Developmental  
11 Disabilities Awareness Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of  
12 State Special License Plate Fund.

13 (11) The Illinois Department of Human Services for  
14 pediatric cancer awareness decals.

15 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
16 Pediatric Cancer Awareness Fund and \$15 to the  
17 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

18 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Pediatric Cancer  
19 Awareness Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State  
20 Special License Plate Fund.

21 (12) The Department of Veterans' Affairs for Fold of  
22 Honor decals.

23 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the Folds  
24 of Honor Foundation Fund and \$15 to the Secretary of  
25 State Special License Plate Fund.

26 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Folds of Honor



1 Foundation Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State  
2 Special License Plate Fund.

3 (13) The Illinois chapters of the Experimental  
4 Aircraft Association for aviation enthusiast decals.

5 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
6 Experimental Aircraft Association Fund and \$15 to the  
7 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

8 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Experimental  
9 Aircraft Association Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of  
10 State Special License Plate Fund.

11 (14) The Illinois Department of Human Services for  
12 Child Abuse Council of the Quad Cities decals.

13 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the Child  
14 Abuse Council of the Quad Cities Fund and \$15 to the  
15 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

16 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Child Abuse  
17 Council of the Quad Cities Fund and \$2 to the Secretary  
18 of State Special License Plate Fund.

19 (15) The Illinois Department of Public Health for  
20 health care worker decals.

21 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the  
22 Illinois Health Care Workers Benefit Fund, and \$15 to  
23 the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

24 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Illinois Health  
25 Care Workers Benefit Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of  
26 State Special License Plate Fund.

1 (16) The Department of Agriculture for Future Farmers  
2 of America decals.

3 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the Future  
4 Farmers of America Fund and \$15 to the Secretary of  
5 State Special License Plate Fund.

6 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Future Farmers  
7 of America Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State  
8 Special License Plate Fund.

9 (17) The Department of Natural Resources for Lyme  
10 disease research decals.

11 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the Tick  
12 Research, Education, and Evaluation Fund and \$15 to  
13 the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

14 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Tick Research,  
15 Education, and Evaluation Fund and \$2 to the Secretary  
16 of State Special License Plate Fund.

17 (f) The following funds are created as special funds in  
18 the State treasury:

19 (1) The Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund. All money in  
20 the Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund shall be paid as grants  
21 to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to fund  
22 roadside monarch and other pollinator habitat development,  
23 enhancement, and restoration projects in this State.

24 (2) The Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund. All money in  
25 the Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund shall be paid as grants  
26 to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Chicago.

1           (3) The Horsemen's Council of Illinois Fund. All money  
2           in the Horsemen's Council of Illinois Fund shall be paid  
3           as grants to the Horsemen's Council of Illinois.

4           (4) The Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Fund.  
5           All money in the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness  
6           Fund shall be paid as grants to K9s for Veterans, NFP for  
7           support, education, and awareness of veterans with  
8           post-traumatic stress disorder.

9           (5) The Guide Dogs of America Fund. All money in the  
10          Guide Dogs of America Fund shall be paid as grants to the  
11          International Guiding Eyes, Inc., doing business as Guide  
12          Dogs of America.

13          (6) The Mechanics Training Fund. All money in the  
14          Mechanics Training Fund shall be paid as grants to the  
15          Mechanics Local 701 Training Fund.

16          (7) The Theresa Tracy Trot - Illinois CancerCare  
17          Foundation Fund. All money in the Theresa Tracy Trot -  
18          Illinois CancerCare Foundation Fund shall be paid to the  
19          Illinois CancerCare Foundation for the purpose of  
20          furthering pancreatic cancer research.

21          (8) The Developmental Disabilities Awareness Fund. All  
22          money in the Developmental Disabilities Awareness Fund  
23          shall be paid as grants to the Illinois Department of  
24          Human Services to fund legal aid groups to assist with  
25          guardianship fees for private citizens willing to become  
26          guardians for individuals with developmental disabilities

1 but who are unable to pay the legal fees associated with  
2 becoming a guardian.

3 (9) The Pediatric Cancer Awareness Fund. All money in  
4 the Pediatric Cancer Awareness Fund shall be paid as  
5 grants to the Cancer Center at Illinois for pediatric  
6 cancer treatment and research.

7 (10) The Folds of Honor Foundation Fund. All money in  
8 the Folds of Honor Foundation Fund shall be paid as grants  
9 to the Folds of Honor Foundation to aid in providing  
10 educational scholarships to military families.

11 (11) The Experimental Aircraft Association Fund. All  
12 money in the Experimental Aircraft Association Fund shall  
13 be paid, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly  
14 and distribution by the Secretary, as grants to promote  
15 recreational aviation.

16 (12) The Child Abuse Council of the Quad Cities Fund.  
17 All money in the Child Abuse Council of the Quad Cities  
18 Fund shall be paid as grants to benefit the Child Abuse  
19 Council of the Quad Cities.

20 (13) The Illinois Health Care Workers Benefit Fund.  
21 All money in the Illinois Health Care Workers Benefit Fund  
22 shall be paid as grants to the Trinity Health Foundation  
23 for the benefit of health care workers, doctors, nurses,  
24 and others who work in the health care industry in this  
25 State.

26 (14) The Future Farmers of America Fund. All money in

1 the Future Farmers of America Fund shall be paid as grants  
2 to the Illinois Association of Future Farmers of America.

3 (15) The Tick Research, Education, and Evaluation  
4 Fund. All money in the Tick Research, Education, and  
5 Evaluation Fund shall be paid as grants to the Illinois  
6 Lyme Association.

7 (Source: P.A. 101-248, eff. 1-1-20; 101-256, eff. 1-1-20;  
8 101-276, eff. 8-9-19; 101-282, eff. 1-1-20; 101-372, eff.  
9 1-1-20; 102-383, eff. 1-1-22; 102-422, eff. 8-20-21; 102-423,  
10 eff. 8-20-21; 102-515, eff. 1-1-22; 102-558, eff. 8-20-21;  
11 102-809, eff. 1-1-23; 102-813, eff. 5-13-22.)