

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 5.1015 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.1015 new)

7 Sec. 5.1015. The Sons of the American Legion Fund.

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

10 (625 ILCS 5/3-699.14)

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

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

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

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

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

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

26 (d) Upon original issuance and for each registration

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

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

16 (1) The Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

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

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

23 (2) Illinois Veterans' Homes.

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

26 (B) Renewal: \$26, which shall be deposited into

1 the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund.

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

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

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

9 (4) The Illinois Department of Public Health.

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

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

16 (5) Horsemen's Council of Illinois.

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

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

23 (6) K9s for Veterans, NFP.

24 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the
25 Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Fund and \$15
26 to the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

22 (9) Illinois Department of Human Services.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

25 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Folds of Honor
26 Foundation Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State

1 Special License Plate Fund.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

26 (16) The Department of Agriculture for Future Farmers

1 of America decals.

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

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

8 (17) The Illinois Department of Public Health for
9 autism awareness decals that are designed with input from
10 autism advocacy organizations.

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

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

17 (18) ~~(17)~~ The Department of Natural Resources for Lyme
18 disease research decals.

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

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

25 (19) ~~(17)~~ The IBEW Thank a Line Worker decal.

26 (A) Original issuance: \$15, which shall be

1 deposited into the Secretary of State Special License
2 Plate Fund.

3 (B) Renewal: \$2, which shall be deposited into the
4 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

5 (20) The Sons of the American Legion decal.

6 (A) Original issuance: \$25; with \$10 to the Sons
7 of the American Legion Fund and \$15 to the Secretary of
8 State Special License Plate Fund.

9 (B) Renewal: \$25; with \$23 to the Sons of the
10 American Legion Fund and \$2 to the Secretary of State
11 Special License Plate Fund.

12 (f) The following funds are created as special funds in
13 the State treasury:

14 (1) The Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund. All money in
15 the Roadside Monarch Habitat Fund shall be paid as grants
16 to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to fund
17 roadside monarch and other pollinator habitat development,
18 enhancement, and restoration projects in this State.

19 (2) The Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund. All money in
20 the Prostate Cancer Awareness Fund shall be paid as grants
21 to the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Chicago.

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

25 (4) The Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Fund.
26 All money in the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness

1 Fund shall be paid as grants to K9s for Veterans, NFP for
2 support, education, and awareness of veterans with
3 post-traumatic stress disorder.

4 (5) The Guide Dogs of America Fund. All money in the
5 Guide Dogs of America Fund shall be paid as grants to the
6 International Guiding Eyes, Inc., doing business as Guide
7 Dogs of America.

8 (6) The Mechanics Training Fund. All money in the
9 Mechanics Training Fund shall be paid as grants to the
10 Mechanics Local 701 Training Fund.

11 (7) The Theresa Tracy Trot - Illinois CancerCare
12 Foundation Fund. All money in the Theresa Tracy Trot -
13 Illinois CancerCare Foundation Fund shall be paid to the
14 Illinois CancerCare Foundation for the purpose of
15 furthering pancreatic cancer research.

16 (8) The Developmental Disabilities Awareness Fund. All
17 money in the Developmental Disabilities Awareness Fund
18 shall be paid as grants to the Illinois Department of
19 Human Services to fund legal aid groups to assist with
20 guardianship fees for private citizens willing to become
21 guardians for individuals with developmental disabilities
22 but who are unable to pay the legal fees associated with
23 becoming a guardian.

24 (9) The Pediatric Cancer Awareness Fund. All money in
25 the Pediatric Cancer Awareness Fund shall be paid as
26 grants to the Cancer Center at Illinois for pediatric

1 cancer treatment and research.

2 (10) The Folds of Honor Foundation Fund. All money in
3 the Folds of Honor Foundation Fund shall be paid as grants
4 to the Folds of Honor Foundation to aid in providing
5 educational scholarships to military families.

6 (11) The Experimental Aircraft Association Fund. All
7 money in the Experimental Aircraft Association Fund shall
8 be paid, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly
9 and distribution by the Secretary, as grants to promote
10 recreational aviation.

11 (12) The Child Abuse Council of the Quad Cities Fund.
12 All money in the Child Abuse Council of the Quad Cities
13 Fund shall be paid as grants to benefit the Child Abuse
14 Council of the Quad Cities.

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

21 (14) The Future Farmers of America Fund. All money in
22 the Future Farmers of America Fund shall be paid as grants
23 to the Illinois Association of Future Farmers of America.

24 (15) The Tick Research, Education, and Evaluation
25 Fund. All money in the Tick Research, Education, and
26 Evaluation Fund shall be paid as grants to the Illinois

1 Lyme Association.

2 (16) The Sons of the American Legion Fund. All money
3 in the Sons of the American Legion Fund shall be paid as
4 grants to the Illinois Detachment of the Sons of the
5 American Legion.

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