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Assembly Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

This measure may be considered for action during today's work session.

ASSEMBLY BILL 151

Provides for the issuance of special license plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno. (BDR 43-89)

Sponsored By: Assembly Members Anderson, Yeager, Torres, Taylor, and O'Neill and Senators Cannizzaro, Titus, and Seevers Gansert, et al.

Date Heard: February 21, 2023

Fiscal Notes: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

Assembly Bill 151 requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, in cooperation with the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), to design, prepare, and issue special license plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University.

Amendments: Assemblywoman Anderson:

- Charges a fee for distribution to the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation for the operation of a program to provide necessary items to students, faculty, and staff of UNR; and
- Establishes an end date for the issuance of the special license plates.

Proposed Conceptual Amendment for Assembly Bill 151

Submitted by Assemblywoman Natha Anderson

1. Amend section 1 of the bill to add a fee, in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental services taxes, of \$25 for the first issuance of the license plates that commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno and \$20 for each renewal of the license plate. Require the DMV to deposit these fees with the State Treasurer to distribute, on a quarterly basis, to the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation for the operation of a program to provide necessary items, including, without limitation, perishable and non-perishable food items, school supplies, clothing and hygiene products, to students, faculty and staff of the University of Nevada, Reno.

2. Amend section 1 of the bill to add a new subsection to establish an end date for the issuance of the special license plates, which reads:

7. The Director shall:

(a) Accept applications for the issuance of the license plates issued pursuant to this section beginning on July 1, 2023. A person who applies for the license plates pursuant to this paragraph must not be charged for any fees imposed by this section or any other registration and license fees and governmental services taxes due for the license plates until the license plates are available for issuance by the Department.

(b) Determine, and by public proclamation, announce the last date on which the Department will issue the license plates that commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno. The Department shall publish the announcement on its Internet website. In no case may the date that is determined and announced to be the last day on which the Department will issue the license plates be more than 1 year after the date the license plates are available for issuance by the Department. The Department shall not issue:

(1) The license plates that commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno after the date announced by the Department pursuant to this paragraph.

(2) A duplicate number plate or a replacement number plate for those license plates more than 5 years after the date announced by the Department pursuant to this paragraph.

3. Amend section 8 of the bill to include the license plates that commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno in the definition of “special license plate” for the purposes of NRS 482.38272 to 482.37947.