
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 151—ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON, YEAGER,
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Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

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

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to special license plates; providing for the issuance of special license plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno; exempting the special license plates from certain provisions otherwise applicable to special license plates; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes the issuance of various special license plates associated
2 with military or public service, membership in or affiliation with certain groups or
3 recognition of or support for certain charitable causes. (NRS 482.3672-482.37947)
4 **Section 1** of this bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, in cooperation
5 with the University of Nevada, Reno, to design, prepare and issue special license
6 plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University. A
7 person wishing to obtain the special license plates must pay to the Department a fee
8 for initial issuance of \$35 and a fee for renewal of \$10, along with all applicable
9 registration and license fees and governmental services taxes. A person wishing to
10 obtain the special license plates may also request that the plates be combined with
11 personalized prestige plates if the person pays the additional fees for the
12 personalized prestige plates.



13 Existing law establishes certain requirements for investigations of the finances
14 of charitable organizations that receive additional fees from certain special license
15 plates. (NRS 482.38272-482.38279) **Section 4** of this bill exempts the special
16 license plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the
17 University of Nevada, Reno, from such requirements.

18 Under existing law, certain special license plates: (1) must be approved by the
19 Department; (2) are subject to a limitation on the number of separate designs of
20 special license plates which the Department may issue at any one time; and (3) may
21 not be designed, prepared or issued by the Department unless a certain number of
22 applications for the plates are received. (NRS 482.367002, 482.367008, 482.36705)
23 **Sections 5-7** of this bill exempt the special license plates commemorating the 150th
24 anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno, from each of the
25 preceding requirements. **Sections 2-4, 9 and 10** of this bill make conforming
26 changes to indicate the proper placement of **section 1** in the Nevada Revised
27 Statutes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The Department, in cooperation with the University of*
4 *Nevada, Reno, shall design, prepare and issue license plates that*
5 *commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
6 *University using any colors and designs which the Department*
7 *deems appropriate.*

8 *2. The Department shall issue license plates that*
9 *commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
10 *University of Nevada, Reno, for a passenger car or light*
11 *commercial vehicle upon application by a person who is entitled to*
12 *license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise*
13 *complies with the requirements for registration and licensing*
14 *pursuant to this chapter. A person may request that personalized*
15 *prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be*
16 *combined with license plates that commemorate the 150th*
17 *anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno, if*
18 *the person pays the fees for the personalized prestige plates in*
19 *addition to the fees for the license plates that commemorate the*
20 *150th anniversary of the founding of the University pursuant to*
21 *subsection 3.*

22 *3. The fee for the license plates that commemorate the 150th*
23 *anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno, is*
24 *\$35, in addition to all other applicable registration and license fees*
25 *and governmental services taxes. The license plates are renewable*
26 *upon the payment of \$10.*

27 *4. The provisions of NRS 482.36705 do not apply to license*
28 *plates described in this section.*



1 **5. If, during a registration period, the holder of license plates**
2 **issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the**
3 **vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:**

4 **(a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that**
5 **meets the requirements of this section if the holder pays the fee for**
6 **the transfer of the registration and any registration fee or**
7 **governmental services taxes due pursuant to NRS 482.399; or**

8 **(b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,**
9 **return them to the Department.**

10 **6. The Department may accept any gifts, grants and**
11 **donations or other sources of money for the production and**
12 **issuance of the special license plates pursuant to this section. All**
13 **money received pursuant to this subsection must be deposited in**
14 **the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Special License Plates**
15 **created by NRS 482.1805.**

16 **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.216 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 482.216 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155,
18 upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the Department may
19 authorize the new vehicle dealer to:

20 (a) Accept applications for the registration of the new motor
21 vehicles he or she sells and the related fees and taxes;

22 (b) Issue certificates of registration to applicants who satisfy the
23 requirements of this chapter; and

24 (c) Accept applications for the transfer of registration pursuant
25 to NRS 482.399 if the applicant purchased from the new vehicle
26 dealer a new vehicle to which the registration is to be transferred.

27 2. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates
28 of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall:

29 (a) Transmit the applications received to the Department within
30 the period prescribed by the Department;

31 (b) Transmit the fees collected from the applicants and properly
32 account for them within the period prescribed by the Department;

33 (c) Comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection
34 5; and

35 (d) Bear any cost of equipment which is necessary to issue
36 certificates of registration, including any computer hardware or
37 software.

38 3. A new vehicle dealer who is authorized to issue certificates
39 of registration pursuant to subsection 1 shall not:

40 (a) Charge any additional fee for the performance of those
41 services;

42 (b) Receive compensation from the Department for the
43 performance of those services;

44 (c) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a motor
45 vehicle; or



1 (d) Accept an application for the registration of a motor vehicle
2 if the applicant wishes to:

3 (1) Obtain special license plates pursuant to NRS 482.3667
4 to 482.3823, inclusive ~~§~~, *and section 1 of this act*; or

5 (2) Claim the exemption from the governmental services tax
6 provided pursuant to NRS 361.1565 to veterans and their relations.

7 4. The provisions of this section do not apply to the registration
8 of a moped pursuant to NRS 482.2155.

9 5. The Director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to
10 carry out the provisions of this section. The regulations adopted
11 pursuant to this subsection must provide for:

12 (a) The expedient and secure issuance of license plates and
13 decals by the Department; and

14 (b) The withdrawal of the authority granted to a new vehicle
15 dealer pursuant to subsection 1 if that dealer fails to comply with the
16 regulations adopted by the Department.

17 **Sec. 3.** NRS 482.2703 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 482.2703 1. The Director may order the preparation of
19 sample license plates which must be of the same design and size as
20 regular license plates or license plates issued pursuant to NRS
21 482.384. The Director shall ensure that:

22 (a) Each license plate issued pursuant to this subsection,
23 regardless of its design, is inscribed with the word SAMPLE and an
24 identical designation which consists of the same group of three
25 numerals followed by the same group of three letters; and

26 (b) The designation of numerals and letters assigned pursuant to
27 paragraph (a) is not assigned to a vehicle registered pursuant to this
28 chapter or chapter 706 of NRS.

29 2. The Director may order the preparation of sample license
30 plates which must be of the same design and size as any of the
31 special license plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823,
32 inclusive ~~§~~, *and section 1 of this act*. The Director shall ensure
33 that:

34 (a) Each license plate issued pursuant to this subsection,
35 regardless of its design, is inscribed with the word SAMPLE and the
36 number zero in the location where any other numerals would
37 normally be displayed on a license plate of that design; and

38 (b) The number assigned pursuant to paragraph (a) is not
39 assigned to a vehicle registered pursuant to this chapter or chapter
40 706 of NRS.

41 3. The Director may establish a fee for the issuance of sample
42 license plates of not more than \$15 for each license plate.

43 4. A decal issued pursuant to NRS 482.271 may be displayed
44 on a sample license plate issued pursuant to this section.



1 5. All money collected from the issuance of sample license
2 plates must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the
3 Motor Vehicle Fund.

4 6. A person shall not affix a sample license plate issued
5 pursuant to this section to a vehicle. A person who violates the
6 provisions of this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.

7 **Sec. 4.** NRS 482.274 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 482.274 1. The Director shall order the preparation of vehicle
9 license plates for trailers in the same manner provided for motor
10 vehicles in NRS 482.270, except that a vehicle license plate
11 prepared for a full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to
12 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 is not required to have displayed upon
13 it the month and year the registration expires.

14 2. The Director shall order preparation of two sizes of vehicle
15 license plates for trailers. The smaller plates may be used for trailers
16 with a gross vehicle weight of less than 1,000 pounds.

17 3. The Director shall determine the registration numbers
18 assigned to trailers.

19 4. Any license plates issued for a trailer before July 1, 1975,
20 bearing a different designation from that provided for in this section,
21 are valid during the period for which such plates were issued.

22 5. Any license plates issued for a trailer before January 1,
23 1982, are not subject to reissue pursuant to subsection 2 of
24 NRS 482.265.

25 6. The Department shall not issue for a full trailer or semitrailer
26 that is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 a special
27 license plate available pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823,
28 inclusive ~~H~~, *and section 1 of this act.*

29 **Sec. 5.** NRS 482.367002 is hereby amended to read as
30 follows:

31 482.367002 1. A person may request that the Department
32 design, prepare and issue a special license plate by submitting an
33 application to the Department. A person may submit an application
34 for a special license plate that is intended to generate financial
35 support for an organization only if:

36 (a) For an organization which is not a governmental entity, the
37 organization is established as a nonprofit charitable organization
38 which provides services to the community relating to public health,
39 education or general welfare;

40 (b) For an organization which is a governmental entity, the
41 organization only uses the financial support generated by the special
42 license plate for charitable purposes relating to public health,
43 education or general welfare;



1 (c) The organization is registered with the Secretary of State, if
2 registration is required by law, and has filed any documents required
3 to remain registered with the Secretary of State;

4 (d) The name and purpose of the organization do not promote,
5 advertise or endorse any specific product, brand name or service that
6 is offered for profit;

7 (e) The organization is nondiscriminatory; and

8 (f) The license plate will not promote a specific religion, faith or
9 antireligious belief.

10 2. An application submitted to the Department pursuant to
11 subsection 1:

12 (a) Must be on a form prescribed and furnished by the
13 Department;

14 (b) Must specify whether the special license plate being
15 requested is intended to generate financial support for a particular
16 cause or charitable organization and, if so:

17 (1) The name of the cause or charitable organization; and

18 (2) Whether the financial support intended to be generated
19 for the particular cause or charitable organization will be for:

20 (I) General use by the particular cause or charitable
21 organization; or

22 (II) Use by the particular cause or charitable organization
23 in a more limited or specific manner;

24 (c) Must include the name and signature of a person who
25 represents:

26 (1) The organization which is requesting that the Department
27 design, prepare and issue the special license plate; and

28 (2) If different from the organization described in
29 subparagraph (1), the cause or charitable organization for which the
30 special license plate being requested is intended to generate
31 financial support;

32 (d) Must include proof that the organization satisfies the
33 requirements set forth in subsection 1;

34 (e) Must be accompanied by a surety bond posted with the
35 Department in the amount of \$5,000, except that if the special
36 license plate being requested is one of the type described in
37 subsection 3 of NRS 482.367008, the application must be
38 accompanied by a surety bond posted with the Department in the
39 amount of \$20,000;

40 (f) Must, if the organization is a charitable organization, not
41 including a governmental entity whose budget is included in the
42 executive budget, include a budget prepared by or for the charitable
43 organization which includes, without limitation, the proposed
44 operating and administrative expenses of the charitable
45 organization; and



1 (g) Must be accompanied by suggestions for the design of and
2 colors to be used in the special license plate. The suggestion must be
3 made in consultation with the charitable organization for which the
4 special license plate is intended to generate financial support, if any.

5 3. If an application for a special license plate has been
6 submitted pursuant to this section but the Department has not yet
7 designed, prepared or issued the plate, the applicant shall amend the
8 application with updated information when any of the following
9 events take place:

10 (a) The name of the organization that submitted the application
11 has changed since the initial application was submitted.

12 (b) The cause or charitable organization for which the special
13 license plate being requested is intended to generate financial
14 support has a different name than that set forth on the initial
15 application.

16 (c) The cause or charitable organization for which the special
17 license plate being requested is intended to generate financial
18 support is different from that set forth on the initial application.

19 (d) A charitable organization which submitted a budget pursuant
20 to paragraph (f) of subsection 2 prepares or has prepared a new or
21 subsequent budget.

22 ↪ The updated information described in this subsection must be
23 submitted to the Department within 90 days after the relevant
24 change takes place, unless the applicant has received notice that the
25 special license plate is on an agenda to be heard at a public meeting
26 of the Department held pursuant to subsection 4, in which case the
27 updated information must be submitted to the Department within 48
28 hours after the applicant receives such notice. The updating of
29 information pursuant to this subsection does not alter, change or
30 otherwise affect the issuance of special license plates by the
31 Department in accordance with the chronological order of their
32 authorization or approval, as described in subsection 2 of
33 NRS 482.367008.

34 4. The Department shall hold a public meeting before
35 determining whether to approve or disapprove:

36 (a) An application for the design, preparation and issuance of a
37 special license plate that is submitted to the Department pursuant to
38 subsection 1; and

39 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an application
40 for the design, preparation and issuance of a special license plate
41 that has been authorized by an act of the Legislature after January 1,
42 2007.

43 ↪ In determining whether to approve such an application, the
44 Department shall consider, without limitation, whether it would be
45 appropriate and feasible for the Department to design, prepare and



1 issue the particular special license plate. The Department shall
2 consider each application in the chronological order in which the
3 application was received by the Department.

4 5. Before holding a public meeting pursuant to subsection 4,
5 the Department shall:

6 (a) At least 30 days before the public meeting is held, notify:

7 (1) The person who requested the special license plate
8 pursuant to subsection 1; and

9 (2) The charitable organization for which the special license
10 plate is intended to generate financial support, if any; and

11 (b) Post a notice of the public meeting that complies with
12 chapter 241 of NRS.

13 6. The provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection 4 do not apply
14 with regard to special license plates that are issued pursuant to NRS
15 482.3746, 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785,
16 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794
17 or 482.3817 **[H] or section 1 of this act.**

18 7. The Department may design and prepare a special license
19 plate requested pursuant to subsection 1 if the Department:

20 (a) Determines that the application for that plate complies with
21 subsection 2; and

22 (b) Approves the application for that plate after holding the
23 public meeting required pursuant to subsection 4.

24 8. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.367008, the
25 Department may issue a special license plate that:

26 (a) The Department has designed and prepared pursuant to
27 subsection 7; and

28 (b) Complies with the requirements of NRS 482.367003,
29 ↪ for any motorcycle, passenger car or light commercial vehicle
30 upon application by a person who is entitled to license plates
31 pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise complies with the
32 requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter.
33 A person may request that personalized prestige license plates
34 issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with a special
35 license plate issued pursuant to this section if that person pays the
36 fees for personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees
37 for the special license plate.

38 9. Upon making a determination to issue a special license plate
39 pursuant to subsection 8, the Department shall notify:

40 (a) The person who requested the special license plate pursuant
41 to subsection 1; and

42 (b) The charitable organization for which the special license
43 plate is intended to generate financial support, if any.

44 10. After making a determination to issue a special license
45 plate pursuant to this section, if the Department determines not to



1 use the design or colors suggested pursuant to paragraph (g) of
2 subsection 2, the Department shall notify the person who requested
3 the special license plate pursuant to subsection 1. The notice must
4 include, without limitation, the reasons the Department did not use
5 the design or colors suggested pursuant to paragraph (g) of
6 subsection 2.

7 11. Within 180 days after receiving the notice pursuant to
8 subsection 10, the person who requested the special license plate
9 pursuant to subsection 1 shall, in consultation with the charitable
10 organization for which the special license plate is intended to
11 generate financial support, if any, submit a revised suggestion for
12 the design of and colors to be used in the special license plate. If the
13 person does not submit a revised suggestion within 180 days after
14 receiving the notice pursuant to subsection 10, the Department must:

15 (a) Not issue the special license plate; and

16 (b) Notify:

17 (1) The person who requested the special license plate
18 pursuant to subsection 1; and

19 (2) The charitable organization for which the special license
20 plate is intended to generate financial support, if any.

21 12. After receiving the suggested design of and colors to be
22 used in the special license plate pursuant to paragraph (g) of
23 subsection 2 or subsection 11 and upon determining the design of
24 and the colors to be used in the special license plate, the Department
25 shall submit the design of and the colors to be used in the special
26 license plate to the person who requested the special license plate
27 pursuant to subsection 1 and to the charitable organization for which
28 the special license plate is intended to generate financial support, if
29 any. The person and the charitable organization, if any, shall
30 respond to the Department within 30 days after receiving the design
31 of and the colors to be used in the special license plate and shall:

32 (a) Approve the design of and the colors to be used in the
33 special license plate; or

34 (b) Submit suggestions to revise the design of or colors to be
35 used in the special license plate.

36 ↪ If the person who requested the special license plate pursuant to
37 subsection 1 and the charitable organization for which the special
38 license plate is intended to generate financial support, if any, fail to
39 respond within 30 days after receiving the design of and the colors
40 to be used in the special license plate, the person and charitable
41 organization shall be deemed to approve the design of and the colors
42 to be used in the special license plate. The Department may adopt
43 regulations to carry out this subsection.

44 13. The Department must promptly release the surety bond
45 posted pursuant to subsection 2:



1 (a) If the Department determines not to issue the special license
2 plate;

3 (b) If the Department distributes the additional fees collected on
4 behalf of a charitable organization to another charitable organization
5 pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c) of subsection 5 of
6 NRS 482.38279 and the surety bond has not been released to the
7 initial charitable organization; or

8 (c) If it is determined that at least 1,000 special license plates
9 have been issued pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the
10 design of the special license plate conducted pursuant to NRS
11 482.367008, except that if the special license plate is one of the type
12 described in subsection 3 of NRS 482.367008, the Department must
13 promptly release the surety bond posted pursuant to subsection 2 if
14 it is determined that at least 3,000 special license plates have been
15 issued pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the design of the
16 special license plate conducted pursuant to NRS 482.367008.

17 14. If, during a registration period, the holder of license plates
18 issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the
19 vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:

20 (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that meets
21 the requirements of this section if the holder pays the fee for the
22 transfer of the registration and any registration fee or governmental
23 services tax due pursuant to NRS 482.399; or

24 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
25 return them to the Department.

26 15. On or before September 1 of each fiscal year, the
27 Department shall compile a list of each special license plate the
28 Department, during the immediately preceding fiscal year, designed
29 and prepared pursuant to subsection 7 or issued pursuant to
30 subsection 8. The list must set forth, for each such plate, the cause
31 or charitable organization for which the special license plate
32 generates or would generate financial support, and the intended use
33 to which the financial support is being put or would be put. The
34 Department shall make that information available on its Internet
35 website.

36 16. On or before January 31 of each year, the Department shall:

37 (a) Compile a report that contains information detailing:

38 (1) The requests submitted pursuant to subsection 1;

39 (2) The list compiled pursuant to subsection 15 for the
40 immediately preceding fiscal year;

41 (3) Any special license plates that the Department will no
42 longer issue pursuant to NRS 482.367008;

43 (4) The results of any activities conducted pursuant to NRS
44 482.38272 to 482.38279, inclusive; and



1 (5) Any actions taken by the Department pursuant to
2 subsections 4 and 5 of NRS 482.38279; and

3 (b) Submit the report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel
4 Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature, if the Legislature is in
5 session, or to the Legislative Commission, if the Legislature is not
6 in session.

7 **Sec. 6.** NRS 482.367008 is hereby amended to read as
8 follows:

9 482.367008 1. As used in this section, "special license plate"
10 means:

11 (a) A license plate that the Department has designed and
12 prepared pursuant to NRS 482.367002 in accordance with the
13 system of application described in that section;

14 (b) A license plate approved by the Legislature that the
15 Department has designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.3747,
16 482.37903, 482.37905, 482.37917, 482.379175, 482.37918,
17 482.37919, 482.3792, 482.3793, 482.37933, 482.37934, 482.37935,
18 482.379355, 482.379365, 482.37937, 482.379375, 482.37938,
19 482.37939, 482.37945 or 482.37947; and

20 (c) Except for a license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS
21 482.3746, 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785,
22 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794,
23 482.37941 or 482.3817, *or section 1 of this act*, a license plate that
24 is approved by the Legislature after July 1, 2005.

25 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
26 and except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department
27 shall not, at any one time, issue more than 30 separate designs of
28 special license plates. Whenever the total number of separate
29 designs of special license plates issued by the Department at any one
30 time is less than 30, the Department shall issue a number of
31 additional designs of special license plates that have been authorized
32 by an act of the Legislature or the application for which has been
33 approved by the Department pursuant to NRS 482.367002, not to
34 exceed a total of 30 designs issued by the Department at any one
35 time. Such additional designs must be issued by the Department in
36 accordance with the chronological order of their authorization or
37 approval by the Department.

38 3. In addition to the special license plates described in
39 subsection 2, the Department may issue not more than five separate
40 designs of special license plates in excess of the limit set forth in
41 that subsection. To qualify for issuance pursuant to this subsection:

42 (a) The Department must approve the design, preparation and
43 issuance of the special plates as described in NRS 482.367002; and



1 (b) The special license plates must have been applied for,
2 designed, prepared and issued pursuant to NRS 482.367002, except
3 that:

4 (1) The application for the special license plates must be
5 accompanied by a surety bond posted with the Department in the
6 amount of \$20,000; and

7 (2) Pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the design
8 of the special license plates that is conducted pursuant to this
9 section, it is determined that at least 3,000 special license plates
10 have been issued.

11 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, on
12 October 1 of each year the Department shall assess the viability of
13 each separate design of special license plate that the Department is
14 currently issuing by determining the total number of validly
15 registered motor vehicles to which that design of special license
16 plate is affixed. The Department shall not determine the total
17 number of validly registered motor vehicles to which a particular
18 design of special license plate is affixed if:

19 (a) The particular design of special license plate was designed
20 and prepared by the Department pursuant to NRS 482.367002; and

21 (b) On October 1, that particular design of special license plate
22 has been available to be issued for less than 12 months.

23 5. If, on October 1, the total number of validly registered motor
24 vehicles to which a particular design of special license plate is
25 affixed is:

26 (a) In the case of special license plates not described in
27 subsection 3, less than 1,000; or

28 (b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection
29 3, less than 3,000,

30 the Director shall provide notice of that fact in the manner
31 described in subsection 6.

32 6. The notice required pursuant to subsection 5 must be
33 provided:

34 (a) If the special license plate generates financial support for a
35 cause or charitable organization, to that cause or charitable
36 organization.

37 (b) If the special license plate does not generate financial
38 support for a cause or charitable organization, to an entity which is
39 involved in promoting the activity, place or other matter that is
40 depicted on the plate.

41 7. If, on December 31 of the same year in which notice was
42 provided pursuant to subsections 5 and 6, the total number of validly
43 registered motor vehicles to which a particular design of special
44 license plate is affixed is:



1 (a) In the case of special license plates not described in
2 subsection 3, less than 1,000; or

3 (b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection
4 3, less than 3,000,

5 ↪ the Director shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law to
6 the contrary, issue an order providing that the Department will no
7 longer issue that particular design of special license plate. Except as
8 otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 482.265, such an order
9 does not require existing holders of that particular design of special
10 license plate to surrender their plates to the Department and does not
11 prohibit those holders from renewing those plates.

12 **Sec. 7.** NRS 482.36705 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 482.36705 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:

14 (a) If a new special license plate is authorized by an act of the
15 Legislature after January 1, 2003, other than a special license plate
16 that is authorized pursuant to NRS 482.379375, the Legislature will
17 direct that the license plate not be designed, prepared or issued by
18 the Department unless the Department receives at least 1,000
19 applications for the issuance of that plate within 2 years after the
20 effective date of the act of the Legislature that authorized the plate.

21 (b) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraph (a), if a
22 new special license plate is authorized by an act of the Legislature
23 after July 1, 2005, the Legislature will direct that the license plate
24 not be issued by the Department unless its issuance complies with
25 subsection 2 of NRS 482.367008.

26 (c) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraphs (a) and
27 (b), if a new special license plate is authorized by an act of the
28 Legislature after January 1, 2007, the Legislature will direct that the
29 license plate not be designed, prepared or issued by the Department
30 unless the Department approves the application for the authorized
31 plate pursuant to NRS 482.367002.

32 (d) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraphs (a),
33 (b) and (c), if a new special license plate is authorized by an act of
34 the Legislature after July 1, 2021, the Legislature will direct that the
35 license plate not be designed, prepared or issued by the Department
36 unless the organization meeting the requirements described in
37 subsection 1 of NRS 482.367002 submits suggestions for the design
38 of and colors to be used in the special license plate within 180 days
39 after the authorization of the special license plate. The provisions of
40 subsections 10, 11 and 12 of NRS 482.367002 apply to suggestions
41 submitted pursuant to this paragraph.

42 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply with regard to
43 special license plates that are issued pursuant to NRS 482.3746,
44 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785, 482.3787,



1 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794, 482.37941
2 or 482.3817 **H** or *section 1 of this act*.

3 **Sec. 8.** NRS 482.38276 is hereby amended to read as follows:
4 482.38276 “Special license plate” means:

5 1. A license plate that the Department has designed and
6 prepared pursuant to NRS 482.367002 in accordance with the
7 system of application and petition described in that section;

8 2. A license plate approved by the Legislature that the
9 Department has designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.3747,
10 482.37903, 482.37904, 482.37905, 482.37917, 482.379175,
11 482.37918, 482.37919, 482.3792, 482.3793, 482.37933, 482.37934,
12 482.37935, 482.379355, 482.379365, 482.37937, 482.379375,
13 482.37938, 482.37939, 482.37945 or 482.37947; and

14 3. Except for a license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS
15 482.3746, 482.3757, 482.3785, 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902,
16 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794 or 482.37941, *or section 1 of this*
17 *act*, a license plate that is approved by the Legislature after July 1,
18 2005.

19 **Sec. 9.** NRS 482.399 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 482.399 1. Upon the transfer of the ownership of or interest
21 in any vehicle by any holder of a valid registration, or upon
22 destruction of the vehicle, the registration expires.

23 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155 and
24 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, the holder of the original registration
25 may transfer the registration to another vehicle to be registered by
26 the holder and use the same regular license plate or plates or special
27 license plate or plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to
28 482.3823, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, or 482.384, on the
29 vehicle from which the registration is being transferred, if the
30 license plate or plates are appropriate for the second vehicle, upon
31 filing an application for transfer of registration and upon paying the
32 transfer registration fee and the excess, if any, of the registration fee
33 and governmental services tax on the vehicle to which the
34 registration is transferred over the total registration fee and
35 governmental services tax paid on all vehicles from which he or she
36 is transferring ownership or interest. Except as otherwise provided
37 in NRS 482.294, an application for transfer of registration must be
38 made in person, if practicable, to any office or agent of the
39 Department or to a registered dealer, and the license plate or plates
40 may not be used upon a second vehicle until registration of that
41 vehicle is complete.

42 3. In computing the governmental services tax, the
43 Department, its agent or the registered dealer shall credit the portion
44 of the tax paid on the first vehicle attributable to the remainder of
45 the current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly



1 basis against the tax due on the second vehicle or on any other
2 vehicle of which the person is the registered owner. If any person
3 transfers ownership or interest in two or more vehicles, the
4 Department or the registered dealer shall credit the portion of the tax
5 paid on all of the vehicles attributable to the remainder of the
6 current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly
7 basis against the tax due on the vehicle to which the registration is
8 transferred or on any other vehicle of which the person is the
9 registered owner. The certificates of registration and unused license
10 plates of the vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or
11 interest must be submitted before credit is given against the tax due
12 on the vehicle to which the registration is transferred or on any other
13 vehicle of which the person is the registered owner.

14 4. In computing the registration fee, the Department or its
15 agent or the registered dealer shall credit the portion of the
16 registration fee paid on each vehicle attributable to the remainder of
17 the current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis
18 against the registration fee due on the vehicle to which registration
19 is transferred.

20 5. If the amount owed on the registration fee or governmental
21 services tax on the vehicle to which registration is transferred is less
22 than the credit on the total registration fee or governmental services
23 tax paid on all vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or
24 interest, the person may apply the unused portion of the credit to the
25 registration of any other vehicle owned by the person. Any unused
26 portion of such a credit expires on the date the registration of the
27 vehicle from which the person transferred the registration was due
28 to expire.

29 6. If the license plate or plates are not appropriate for the
30 second vehicle, the plate or plates must be surrendered to the
31 Department or registered dealer and an appropriate plate or plates
32 must be issued by the Department. The Department shall not reissue
33 the surrendered plate or plates until the next succeeding licensing
34 period.

35 7. If application for transfer of registration is not made within
36 60 days after the destruction or transfer of ownership of or interest
37 in any vehicle, the license plate or plates must be surrendered to the
38 Department on or before the 60th day for cancellation of the
39 registration.

40 8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS
41 371.040, NRS 482.2155, subsections 7 and 8 of NRS 482.260 and
42 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, if a person cancels his or her
43 registration and surrenders to the Department the license plates for a
44 vehicle, the Department shall:



1 (a) In accordance with the provisions of subsection 9, issue to
2 the person a refund of the portion of the registration fee and
3 governmental services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the
4 remainder of the current calendar year or registration period on a pro
5 rata basis; or

6 (b) If the person does not qualify for a refund in accordance with
7 the provisions of subsection 9, issue to the person a credit in the
8 amount of the portion of the registration fee and governmental
9 services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the remainder of the
10 current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis. Such
11 a credit may be applied by the person to the registration of any other
12 vehicle owned by the person. Any unused portion of the credit
13 expires on the date the registration of the vehicle from which the
14 person obtained a refund was due to expire.

15 9. The Department shall issue a refund pursuant to subsection 8
16 only if the request for a refund is made at the time the registration is
17 cancelled and the license plates are surrendered, the person
18 requesting the refund is a resident of Nevada, the amount eligible
19 for refund exceeds \$100, and evidence satisfactory to the
20 Department is submitted that reasonably proves the existence of
21 extenuating circumstances. For the purposes of this subsection, the
22 term "extenuating circumstances" means circumstances wherein:

23 (a) The person has recently relinquished his or her driver's
24 license and has sold or otherwise disposed of his or her vehicle.

25 (b) The vehicle has been determined to be inoperable and the
26 person does not transfer the registration to a different vehicle.

27 (c) The owner of the vehicle is seriously ill or has died and the
28 guardians or survivors have sold or otherwise disposed of the
29 vehicle.

30 (d) Any other event occurs which the Department, by regulation,
31 has defined to constitute an "extenuating circumstance" for the
32 purposes of this subsection.

33 **Sec. 10.** NRS 482.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 482.500 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or 3
35 or specifically provided by statute, whenever upon application any
36 duplicate or substitute certificate of registration, indicator, decal or
37 number plate is issued, the following fees must be paid:

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39	For a certificate of registration \$5.00
40	For every substitute number plate or set of plates 5.00
41	For every duplicate number plate or set of plates..... 10.00
42	For every decal displaying a county name50
43	For every other indicator, decal, license plate sticker
44	or tab..... 5.00



1 2. The following fees must be paid for any replacement
2 number plate or set of plates issued for the following special license
3 plates:

4 (a) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667,
5 482.367002, 482.3672, 482.3675, 482.370 to 482.3755, inclusive,
6 *and section 1 of this act*, 482.376 or 482.379 to 482.3818, inclusive,
7 a fee of \$10.

8 (b) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.368,
9 482.3765, 482.377 or 482.378, a fee of \$5.

10 (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) of subsection
11 1 of NRS 482.3824, for any souvenir license plate issued pursuant
12 to NRS 482.3825 or sample license plate issued pursuant to NRS
13 482.2703, a fee equal to that established by the Director for the
14 issuance of those plates.

15 3. A fee must not be charged for a duplicate or substitute of a
16 decal issued pursuant to NRS 482.37635.

17 4. The fees which are paid for replacement number plates,
18 duplicate number plates and decals displaying county names must
19 be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Motor Vehicle
20 Fund and allocated to the Department to defray the costs of
21 replacing or duplicating the plates and manufacturing the decals.

