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SUMMARY—Provides for the issuance for a limited duration 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 limited 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; imposing a fee for the issuance and renewal of such license plates; imposing a deadline on the issuance of such 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: (1)
8 a fee for initial issuance of \$35 and a fee for renewal of \$10; (2) all applicable
9 registration and license fees and governmental services taxes; and (3) an additional



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10 fee for initial issuance of \$25 and an additional fee for renewal of \$20, to be
11 deposited with the State Treasurer who must, on a quarterly basis, distribute the
12 fees to the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation to operate a program to provide
13 certain necessary items to the students, faculty and staff of the University. A person
14 wishing to obtain the special license plates may also request that the plates be
15 combined with personalized prestige plates if the person pays the additional fees for
16 the personalized prestige plates.

17 **Section 1** also requires the Director of the Department to: (1) accept advance
18 applications for the special license plates; and (2) announce a date on which the
19 special license plates will no longer be available for initial issuance.

20 Under existing law, certain special license plates: (1) must be approved by the
21 Department; (2) are subject to a limitation on the number of separate designs of
22 special license plates which the Department may issue at any one time; and (3) may
23 not be designed, prepared or issued by the Department unless a certain number of
24 applications for the plates are received. (NRS 482.367002, 482.367008, 482.36705)

25 **Sections 5-7** of this bill exempt the special license plates commemorating the 150th
26 anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada, Reno, from each of the
27 preceding requirements. **Sections 2-4, 9 and 10** of this bill make conforming
28 changes to indicate the proper placement of **section 1** in the Nevada Revised
29 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. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of*
4 *subsection 9, the Department, in cooperation with the University*
5 *of Nevada, Reno, shall design, prepare and issue license plates*
6 *that commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
7 *University, using any colors and designs which the Department*
8 *deems appropriate.*

9 *2. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) of*
10 *subsection 9, the Department shall issue license plates that*
11 *commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
12 *University of Nevada, Reno, for a passenger car or light*
13 *commercial vehicle upon application by a person who is otherwise*
14 *entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who*
15 *otherwise complies with the requirements for registration and*
16 *licensing pursuant to this chapter. A person may request that*
17 *personalized prestige license plates issued pursuant to NRS*
18 *482.3667 be combined with license plates that commemorate the*
19 *150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Nevada,*
20 *Reno, if the person pays the fees for the personalized prestige*
21 *plates in addition to the fees for the license plates that*
22 *commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
23 *University pursuant to subsections 3 and 4.*



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

6 4. *In addition to all other applicable registration and license*
7 *fees and governmental services taxes prescribed pursuant to*
8 *subsection 3, a person who requests a set of license plates that*
9 *commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the*
10 *University of Nevada, Reno, must pay for the issuance of the*
11 *plates an additional fee of \$25 and for each renewal of the plates*
12 *an additional fee of \$20, to be deposited in accordance with*
13 *subsection 5.*

14 5. *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.38279, the*
15 *Department shall deposit the fees collected pursuant to subsection*
16 *4 with the State Treasurer for credit to the State General Fund.*
17 *The State Treasurer shall, on a quarterly basis, distribute the fees*
18 *deposited pursuant to this subsection to the University of Nevada,*
19 *Reno Foundation for its use in operating a program to provide to*
20 *students, faculty and staff of the University of Nevada, Reno,*
21 *necessary items, including, without limitation:*

- 22 (a) *Perishable and nonperishable food items;*
- 23 (b) *School supplies;*
- 24 (c) *Clothing; and*
- 25 (d) *Personal hygiene products.*

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

28 7. *If, during a registration period, the holder of license plates*
29 *issued pursuant to the provisions of this section disposes of the*
30 *vehicle to which the plates are affixed, the holder shall:*

- 31 (a) *Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle that*
32 *meets the requirements of this section if the holder pays the fee for*
33 *the transfer of the registration and any registration fee or*
34 *governmental services taxes due pursuant to NRS 482.399; or*
- 35 (b) *Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,*
36 *return them to the Department.*

37 8. *The Department may accept any gifts, grants and*
38 *donations or other sources of money for the production and*
39 *issuance of the special license plates pursuant to this section. All*
40 *money received pursuant to this subsection must be deposited in*
41 *the Revolving Account for the Issuance of Special License Plates*
42 *created by NRS 482.1805.*

43 9. *The Director shall:*

- 44 (a) *Accept applications for the issuance of the license plates*
45 *issued pursuant to this section beginning on July 1, 2023. A*



1 *person who applies for the license plates pursuant to this*
2 *paragraph must not be charged for any fees imposed by this*
3 *section or any other registration and license fees and*
4 *governmental services taxes due for the license plates until the*
5 *license plates are available for issuance by the Department.*

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

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

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

22 **Sec. 1.5.** NRS 482.2065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 482.2065 1. A trailer may be registered for a 3-year period as
24 provided in this section.

25 2. A person who registers a trailer for a 3-year period must pay
26 upon registration all fees and taxes that would be due during the 3-
27 year period if he or she registered the trailer for 1 year and renewed
28 that registration for 2 consecutive years immediately thereafter,
29 including, without limitation:

30 (a) Registration fees pursuant to NRS 482.480 and 482.483.

31 (b) A fee for each license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.268.

32 (c) Fees for the initial issuance, reissuance and renewal of a
33 special license plate pursuant to NRS 482.265, if applicable.

34 (d) Fees for the initial issuance and renewal of a personalized
35 prestige license plate pursuant to NRS 482.367, if applicable.

36 (e) Additional fees for the initial issuance and renewal of a
37 special license plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823,
38 inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* which are imposed to generate
39 financial support for a particular cause or charitable organization, if
40 applicable.

41 (f) Governmental services taxes imposed pursuant to chapter
42 371 of NRS, as provided in NRS 482.260.

43 (g) The applicable taxes imposed pursuant to chapters 372, 374,
44 377 and 377A of NRS.



1 3. A license plate issued pursuant to this section will be
2 reissued as provided in NRS 482.265 except that such reissuance
3 will be done at the first renewal after the license plate has been
4 issued for not less than 8 years.

5 4. As used in this section, the term "trailer" does not include a
6 full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to subsection 3 of
7 NRS 482.483.

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

9 482.216 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155,
10 upon the request of a new vehicle dealer, the Department may
11 authorize the new vehicle dealer to:

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

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

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

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

21 (a) Transmit the applications received to the Department within
22 the period prescribed by the Department;

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

25 (c) Comply with the regulations adopted pursuant to subsection
26 5; and

27 (d) Bear any cost of equipment which is necessary to issue
28 certificates of registration, including any computer hardware or
29 software.

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

32 (a) Charge any additional fee for the performance of those
33 services;

34 (b) Receive compensation from the Department for the
35 performance of those services;

36 (c) Accept applications for the renewal of registration of a motor
37 vehicle; or

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

10 482.2703 1. The Director may order the preparation of
11 sample license plates which must be of the same design and size as
12 regular license plates or license plates issued pursuant to NRS
13 482.384. The Director shall ensure that:

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

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

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

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

30 (b) The number assigned pursuant to paragraph (a) is not
31 assigned to a vehicle registered pursuant to this chapter or chapter
32 706 of NRS.

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

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

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

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

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

44 482.274 1. The Director shall order the preparation of vehicle
45 license plates for trailers in the same manner provided for motor



1 vehicles in NRS 482.270, except that a vehicle license plate
2 prepared for a full trailer or semitrailer that is registered pursuant to
3 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483 is not required to have displayed upon
4 it the month and year the registration expires.

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

8 3. The Director shall determine the registration numbers
9 assigned to trailers.

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

13 5. Any license plates issued for a trailer before January 1,
14 1982, are not subject to reissue pursuant to subsection 2 of
15 NRS 482.265.

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

20 **Sec. 5.** NRS 482.367002 is hereby amended to read as
21 follows:

22 482.367002 1. A person may request that the Department
23 design, prepare and issue a special license plate by submitting an
24 application to the Department. A person may submit an application
25 for a special license plate that is intended to generate financial
26 support for an organization only if:

27 (a) For an organization which is not a governmental entity, the
28 organization is established as a nonprofit charitable organization
29 which provides services to the community relating to public health,
30 education or general welfare;

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

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

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

41 (e) The organization is nondiscriminatory; and

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

44 2. An application submitted to the Department pursuant to
45 subsection 1:



1 (a) Must be on a form prescribed and furnished by the
2 Department;

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

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

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

9 (I) General use by the particular cause or charitable
10 organization; or

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

13 (c) Must include the name and signature of a person who
14 represents:

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

17 (2) If different from the organization described in
18 subparagraph (1), the cause or charitable organization for which the
19 special license plate being requested is intended to generate
20 financial support;

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

23 (e) Must be accompanied by a surety bond posted with the
24 Department in the amount of \$5,000, except that if the special
25 license plate being requested is one of the type described in
26 subsection 3 of NRS 482.367008, the application must be
27 accompanied by a surety bond posted with the Department in the
28 amount of \$20,000;

29 (f) Must, if the organization is a charitable organization, not
30 including a governmental entity whose budget is included in the
31 executive budget, include a budget prepared by or for the charitable
32 organization which includes, without limitation, the proposed
33 operating and administrative expenses of the charitable
34 organization; and

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

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

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



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

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

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

11 ↪ The updated information described in this subsection must be
12 submitted to the Department within 90 days after the relevant
13 change takes place, unless the applicant has received notice that the
14 special license plate is on an agenda to be heard at a public meeting
15 of the Department held pursuant to subsection 4, in which case the
16 updated information must be submitted to the Department within 48
17 hours after the applicant receives such notice. The updating of
18 information pursuant to this subsection does not alter, change or
19 otherwise affect the issuance of special license plates by the
20 Department in accordance with the chronological order of their
21 authorization or approval, as described in subsection 2 of
22 NRS 482.367008.

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

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

28 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, an application
29 for the design, preparation and issuance of a special license plate
30 that has been authorized by an act of the Legislature after January 1,
31 2007.

32 ↪ In determining whether to approve such an application, the
33 Department shall consider, without limitation, whether it would be
34 appropriate and feasible for the Department to design, prepare and
35 issue the particular special license plate. The Department shall
36 consider each application in the chronological order in which the
37 application was received by the Department.

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

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

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

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



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

3 6. The provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection 4 do not apply
4 with regard to special license plates that are issued pursuant to NRS
5 482.3746, 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785,
6 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794
7 or 482.3817 **or section 1 of this act.**

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

10 (a) Determines that the application for that plate complies with
11 subsection 2; and

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

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

16 (a) The Department has designed and prepared pursuant to
17 subsection 7; and

18 (b) Complies with the requirements of NRS 482.367003,
19 ↪ for any motorcycle, passenger car or light commercial vehicle
20 upon application by a person who is entitled to license plates
21 pursuant to NRS 482.265 and who otherwise complies with the
22 requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter.
23 A person may request that personalized prestige license plates
24 issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with a special
25 license plate issued pursuant to this section if that person pays the
26 fees for personalized prestige license plates in addition to the fees
27 for the special license plate.

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

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

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

34 10. After making a determination to issue a special license
35 plate pursuant to this section, if the Department determines not to
36 use the design or colors suggested pursuant to paragraph (g) of
37 subsection 2, the Department shall notify the person who requested
38 the special license plate pursuant to subsection 1. The notice must
39 include, without limitation, the reasons the Department did not use
40 the design or colors suggested pursuant to paragraph (g) of
41 subsection 2.

42 11. Within 180 days after receiving the notice pursuant to
43 subsection 10, the person who requested the special license plate
44 pursuant to subsection 1 shall, in consultation with the charitable
45 organization for which the special license plate is intended to



1 generate financial support, if any, submit a revised suggestion for
2 the design of and colors to be used in the special license plate. If the
3 person does not submit a revised suggestion within 180 days after
4 receiving the notice pursuant to subsection 10, the Department must:

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

6 (b) 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.

11 12. After receiving the suggested design of and colors to be
12 used in the special license plate pursuant to paragraph (g) of
13 subsection 2 or subsection 11 and upon determining the design of
14 and the colors to be used in the special license plate, the Department
15 shall submit the design of and the colors to be used in the special
16 license plate to the person who requested the special license plate
17 pursuant to subsection 1 and to the charitable organization for which
18 the special license plate is intended to generate financial support, if
19 any. The person and the charitable organization, if any, shall
20 respond to the Department within 30 days after receiving the design
21 of and the colors to be used in the special license plate and shall:

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

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

26 ↪ If the person who requested the special license plate pursuant to
27 subsection 1 and the charitable organization for which the special
28 license plate is intended to generate financial support, if any, fail to
29 respond within 30 days after receiving the design of and the colors
30 to be used in the special license plate, the person and charitable
31 organization shall be deemed to approve the design of and the colors
32 to be used in the special license plate. The Department may adopt
33 regulations to carry out this subsection.

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

36 (a) If the Department determines not to issue the special license
37 plate;

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

43 (c) If it is determined that at least 1,000 special license plates
44 have been issued pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the
45 design of the special license plate conducted pursuant to



1 NRS 482.367008, except that if the special license plate is one of
2 the type described in subsection 3 of NRS 482.367008, the
3 Department must promptly release the surety bond posted pursuant
4 to subsection 2 if it is determined that at least 3,000 special license
5 plates have been issued pursuant to the assessment of the viability of
6 the design of the special license plate conducted pursuant to
7 NRS 482.367008.

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

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

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

17 15. On or before September 1 of each fiscal year, the
18 Department shall compile a list of each special license plate the
19 Department, during the immediately preceding fiscal year, designed
20 and prepared pursuant to subsection 7 or issued pursuant to
21 subsection 8. The list must set forth, for each such plate, the cause
22 or charitable organization for which the special license plate
23 generates or would generate financial support, and the intended use
24 to which the financial support is being put or would be put. The
25 Department shall make that information available on its Internet
26 website.

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

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

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

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

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

34 (4) The results of any activities conducted pursuant to NRS
35 482.38272 to 482.38279, inclusive; and

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

38 (b) Submit the report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel
39 Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature, if the Legislature is in
40 session, or to the Legislative Commission, if the Legislature is not
41 in session.

42 **Sec. 6.** NRS 482.367008 is hereby amended to read as
43 follows:

44 482.367008 1. As used in this section, "special license plate"
45 means:



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

4 (b) A license plate approved by the Legislature that the
5 Department has designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.3747,
6 482.37903, 482.37905, 482.37917, 482.379175, 482.37918,
7 482.37919, 482.3792, 482.3793, 482.37933, 482.37934, 482.37935,
8 482.379355, 482.379365, 482.37937, 482.379375, 482.37938,
9 482.37939, 482.37945 or 482.37947; and

10 (c) Except for a license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS
11 482.3746, 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785,
12 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794,
13 482.37941 or 482.3817, *or section 1 of this act*, a license plate that
14 is approved by the Legislature after July 1, 2005.

15 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
16 and except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Department
17 shall not, at any one time, issue more than 30 separate designs of
18 special license plates. Whenever the total number of separate
19 designs of special license plates issued by the Department at any one
20 time is less than 30, the Department shall issue a number of
21 additional designs of special license plates that have been authorized
22 by an act of the Legislature or the application for which has been
23 approved by the Department pursuant to NRS 482.367002, not to
24 exceed a total of 30 designs issued by the Department at any one
25 time. Such additional designs must be issued by the Department in
26 accordance with the chronological order of their authorization or
27 approval by the Department.

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

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

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

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

40 (2) Pursuant to the assessment of the viability of the design
41 of the special license plates that is conducted pursuant to this
42 section, it is determined that at least 3,000 special license plates
43 have been issued.

44 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, on
45 October 1 of each year the Department shall assess the viability of



1 each separate design of special license plate that the Department is
2 currently issuing by determining the total number of validly
3 registered motor vehicles to which that design of special license
4 plate is affixed. The Department shall not determine the total
5 number of validly registered motor vehicles to which a particular
6 design of special license plate is affixed if:

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

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

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

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

16 (b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection
17 3, less than 3,000,

18 ➤ the Director shall provide notice of that fact in the manner
19 described in subsection 6.

20 6. The notice required pursuant to subsection 5 must be
21 provided:

22 (a) If the special license plate generates financial support for a
23 cause or charitable organization, to that cause or charitable
24 organization.

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

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

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

35 (b) In the case of special license plates described in subsection
36 3, less than 3,000,

37 ➤ the Director shall, notwithstanding any other provision of law to
38 the contrary, issue an order providing that the Department will no
39 longer issue that particular design of special license plate. Except as
40 otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 482.265, such an order
41 does not require existing holders of that particular design of special
42 license plate to surrender their plates to the Department and does not
43 prohibit those holders from renewing those plates.

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

45 482.36705 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:



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

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

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

19 (d) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraphs (a),
20 (b) and (c), if a new special license plate is authorized by an act of
21 the Legislature after July 1, 2021, the Legislature will direct that the
22 license plate not be designed, prepared or issued by the Department
23 unless the organization meeting the requirements described in
24 subsection 1 of NRS 482.367002 submits suggestions for the design
25 of and colors to be used in the special license plate within 180 days
26 after the authorization of the special license plate. The provisions of
27 subsections 10, 11 and 12 of NRS 482.367002 apply to suggestions
28 submitted pursuant to this paragraph.

29 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply with regard to
30 special license plates that are issued pursuant to NRS 482.3746,
31 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785, 482.3787,
32 482.37901, 482.37902, 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794, 482.37941
33 or 482.3817 **[H]** *or section 1 of this act.*

34 **Sec. 8.** NRS 482.38276 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 482.38276 “Special license plate” means:

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

39 2. A license plate approved by the Legislature that the
40 Department has designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.3747,
41 482.37903, 482.37904, 482.37905, 482.37917, 482.379175,
42 482.37918, 482.37919, 482.3792, 482.3793, 482.37933, 482.37934,
43 482.37935, 482.379355, 482.379365, 482.37937, 482.379375,
44 482.37938, 482.37939, 482.37945 or 482.37947 **[H]** *or section 1 of*
45 *this act;* and



1 3. Except for a license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS
2 482.3746, 482.3757, 482.3785, 482.3787, 482.37901, 482.37902,
3 482.37906, 482.3791, 482.3794 or 482.37941, a license plate that is
4 approved by the Legislature after July 1, 2005.

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

6 482.399 1. Upon the transfer of the ownership of or interest
7 in any vehicle by any holder of a valid registration, or upon
8 destruction of the vehicle, the registration expires.

9 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.2155 and
10 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, the holder of the original registration
11 may transfer the registration to another vehicle to be registered by
12 the holder and use the same regular license plate or plates or special
13 license plate or plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to
14 482.3823, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, or 482.384, on the
15 vehicle from which the registration is being transferred, if the
16 license plate or plates are appropriate for the second vehicle, upon
17 filing an application for transfer of registration and upon paying the
18 transfer registration fee and the excess, if any, of the registration fee
19 and governmental services tax on the vehicle to which the
20 registration is transferred over the total registration fee and
21 governmental services tax paid on all vehicles from which he or she
22 is transferring ownership or interest. Except as otherwise provided
23 in NRS 482.294, an application for transfer of registration must be
24 made in person, if practicable, to any office or agent of the
25 Department or to a registered dealer, and the license plate or plates
26 may not be used upon a second vehicle until registration of that
27 vehicle is complete.

28 3. In computing the governmental services tax, the
29 Department, its agent or the registered dealer shall credit the portion
30 of the tax paid on the first vehicle attributable to the remainder of
31 the current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly
32 basis against the tax due on the second vehicle or on any other
33 vehicle of which the person is the registered owner. If any person
34 transfers ownership or interest in two or more vehicles, the
35 Department or the registered dealer shall credit the portion of the tax
36 paid on all of the vehicles attributable to the remainder of the
37 current registration period or calendar year on a pro rata monthly
38 basis against the tax due on the vehicle to which the registration is
39 transferred or on any other vehicle of which the person is the
40 registered owner. The certificates of registration and unused license
41 plates of the vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or
42 interest must be submitted before credit is given against the tax due
43 on the vehicle to which the registration is transferred or on any other
44 vehicle of which the person is the registered owner.



1 4. In computing the registration fee, the Department or its
2 agent or the registered dealer shall credit the portion of the
3 registration fee paid on each vehicle attributable to the remainder of
4 the current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis
5 against the registration fee due on the vehicle to which registration
6 is transferred.

7 5. If the amount owed on the registration fee or governmental
8 services tax on the vehicle to which registration is transferred is less
9 than the credit on the total registration fee or governmental services
10 tax paid on all vehicles from which a person transfers ownership or
11 interest, the person may apply the unused portion of the credit to the
12 registration of any other vehicle owned by the person. Any unused
13 portion of such a credit expires on the date the registration of the
14 vehicle from which the person transferred the registration was due
15 to expire.

16 6. If the license plate or plates are not appropriate for the
17 second vehicle, the plate or plates must be surrendered to the
18 Department or registered dealer and an appropriate plate or plates
19 must be issued by the Department. The Department shall not reissue
20 the surrendered plate or plates until the next succeeding licensing
21 period.

22 7. If application for transfer of registration is not made within
23 60 days after the destruction or transfer of ownership of or interest
24 in any vehicle, the license plate or plates must be surrendered to the
25 Department on or before the 60th day for cancellation of the
26 registration.

27 8. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS
28 371.040, NRS 482.2155, subsections 7 and 8 of NRS 482.260 and
29 subsection 3 of NRS 482.483, if a person cancels his or her
30 registration and surrenders to the Department the license plates for a
31 vehicle, the Department shall:

32 (a) In accordance with the provisions of subsection 9, issue to
33 the person a refund of the portion of the registration fee and
34 governmental services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the
35 remainder of the current calendar year or registration period on a pro
36 rata basis; or

37 (b) If the person does not qualify for a refund in accordance with
38 the provisions of subsection 9, issue to the person a credit in the
39 amount of the portion of the registration fee and governmental
40 services tax paid on the vehicle attributable to the remainder of the
41 current calendar year or registration period on a pro rata basis. Such
42 a credit may be applied by the person to the registration of any other
43 vehicle owned by the person. Any unused portion of the credit
44 expires on the date the registration of the vehicle from which the
45 person obtained a refund was due to expire.



1 9. The Department shall issue a refund pursuant to subsection 8
2 only if the request for a refund is made at the time the registration is
3 cancelled and the license plates are surrendered, the person
4 requesting the refund is a resident of Nevada, the amount eligible
5 for refund exceeds \$100, and evidence satisfactory to the
6 Department is submitted that reasonably proves the existence of
7 extenuating circumstances. For the purposes of this subsection, the
8 term "extenuating circumstances" means circumstances wherein:

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

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

13 (c) The owner of the vehicle is seriously ill or has died and the
14 guardians or survivors have sold or otherwise disposed of the
15 vehicle.

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

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

20 482.500 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or 3
21 or specifically provided by statute, whenever upon application any
22 duplicate or substitute certificate of registration, indicator, decal or
23 number plate is issued, the following fees must be paid:

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25	For a certificate of registration \$5.00
26	For every substitute number plate or set of plates..... 5.00
27	For every duplicate number plate or set of plates..... 10.00
28	For every decal displaying a county name50
29	For every other indicator, decal, license plate sticker
30	or tab..... 5.00

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

35 (a) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667,
36 482.367002, 482.3672, 482.3675, 482.370 to 482.3755, inclusive,
37 482.376 or 482.379 to 482.3818, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*,
38 a fee of \$10.

39 (b) For any special plate issued pursuant to NRS 482.368,
40 482.3765, 482.377 or 482.378, a fee of \$5.

41 (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a) of subsection
42 1 of NRS 482.3824, for any souvenir license plate issued pursuant
43 to NRS 482.3825 or sample license plate issued pursuant to NRS
44 482.2703, a fee equal to that established by the Director for the
45 issuance of those plates.



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

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

8 **Sec. 11.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

