HB46 ENROLLED



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- 3 By Representative Moore (P)
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- 1 Enrolled, An Act,
- To amend Sections 32-11-2 and 40-12-250, Code of
- 3 Alabama 1975, to provide for permanent vehicle registration of
- 4 volunteer rescue squad vehicles; and to make nonsubstantive,
- 5 technical revisions to update the existing code language to
- 6 current style.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
- 8 Section 1. Section 32-11-2, Code of Alabama 1975, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 "\$32-11-2
- 11 Motor vehicles and utility trailers, as defined in
- 12 Section 40-12-240, owned by volunteer rescue squads
- incorporated under the laws of Alabama and used exclusively as
- 14 life saving, rescue, or first aid vehicles without profit, and
- which are not rented, leased, or loaned to any private
- 16 individual, firm, or corporation shall be exempt from payment
- 17 of license and registration fees and all ad valorem taxes
- 18 otherwise prescribed by law. Provided however, any such
- vehicle or trailer may be issued a permanent license plate as
- 20 provided for in Section 40-12-250 and upon the payment of the
- 21 fees provided by that section."
- Section 2. Section 40-12-250, Code of Alabama 1975, is
- 23 amended to read as follows:
- 24 "\$40-12-250
- 25 (a) Motor vehicles owned and used by the state, a
- 26 county, or a municipality of this state shall not be subject
- 27 to the payment of license taxes levied, but shall display
- 28 permanent license plates. Any agency which obtains or



29	possesses a vehicle through a lease-purchase or an
30	installment-sales agreement with an option to buy shall be
31	considered as owning the vehicle for purposes of this section.
32	The purchasing agent or other officer of the state, county, or
33	municipality, shall apply to the Department of Revenue giving
34	the make, type, model, and vehicle identification number of
35	the vehicle or vehicles owned and used by the state, county,
36	or municipality, together with any other information the
37	department may require, which shall be furnished under oath by
38	the applying officer. If upon examination the application
39	appears correct to the department, it shall issue, to be
40	placed on the motor vehicles, the number of license plates, to
41	be used on no other vehicle than that for which issued. State
42	license plates shall have the letter "S" and the registration
43	number printed thereon, county license plates shall have the
44	word "county" and the registration numbers, and municipal
45	license plates shall have the word "municipal" and the
46	registration number printed thereon. License plates on any
47	vehicle owned by a municipal corporation or a municipal board
48	shall have "PUD", public utility department, and the
49	registration number printed thereon. All replacement license
50	plates issued for the vehicles shall be similarly printed or
51	marked. The motor vehicle shall be used exclusively in the
52	governmental or corporate functions of the state, county, or
53	municipality to which issued.
54	(b) Any person who operates a motor vehicle owned or

(b) Any person who operates a motor vehicle owned or used by the state or any county or municipality thereof with an improper license plate or without a license plate thereon

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57 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall 58 be punished as prescribed by law.

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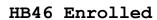
- (c) The department may issue permanent license plates for vehicles owned by the United States or any agency thereof which have been loaned to the state or a county or municipality of this state, or to a public agency, including, but not limited to, a volunteer fire department or volunteer rescue squad, if the state, county, municipality, or public agency desires to obtain license plates to operate the vehicle on the streets and highways of this state. The license plates shall have words indicating that the vehicle is on loan from the federal government and a registration number. Vehicles displaying these license plates shall be used in accordance with the stipulations wherein the vehicle was loaned to the receiving agency. The license plates may be issued by the department upon application by the state, county, 73 municipality, public corporation, or agency receiving and using the vehicles. Upon return of the vehicle to the United States agency, the license plate shall be removed, and may be transferred by the department to another vehicle loaned by the United States and used by the governmental entity or agency. The department shall promulgate adopt rules and regulations as necessary to implement this subsection.
 - (d) The department may issue permanent license plates for vehicles owned by volunteer fire departments or volunteer rescue squads. The license plates shall have words indicating that the vehicle is owned by a volunteer fire department or a volunteer rescue squad and a registration number. Vehicles



- 85 displaying these license plates shall be used in accordance
- 86 with the stipulations provided by law for such vehicles. The
- license plates may be issued by the department upon
- 88 application by a volunteer fire department or a volunteer
- 89 rescue squad. The vehicle shall be used exclusively for
- 90 volunteer fire department or volunteer rescue squad purposes.
- 91 The department shall promulgateadopt rules and regulations as
- 92 necessary to implement this subsection.
- 93 (e) Registration fees for all license plates provided
- 94 for in this section shall be determined by the department and
- 95 may not exceed the fees for standard passenger plates as
- provided for in Sections 40-12-242 and 40-12-273. The
- 97 department shall collect an issuance fee at the time of
- 98 registration for all license plates provided for in this
- 99 section in the amount as provided for in Section 40-12-271.
- 100 (f) In the event a license plate provided for in this
- 101 section becomes so mutilated as to make it illegible, the
- 102 governmental entity, volunteer rescue squad, or volunteer fire
- 103 department shall file an application with the Department of
- 104 Revenue setting forth the fact that the plate has been lost,
- 105 mutilated, or destroyed. The Department of Revenue shall issue
- 106 a replacement license plate upon payment of the replacement
- 107 fee provided for in Section 40-12-265 and the surrender of the
- 108 tag.
- 109 (g) When a governmental entity, volunteer rescue squad,
- or volunteer fire department sells, trades, or otherwise
- 111 disposes of a motor vehicle, the license plate shall be
- 112 removed from the vehicle and retained. The plate may be



113	transferred to another vehicle purchased or otherwise acquired
114	by the governmental entity, volunteer rescue squad, or
115	volunteer fire department pursuant to Section 40-12-260 and
116	upon payment of the fee provided for therein.
117	(h) All fees associated with governmental, volunteer
118	rescue squad, and volunteer fire department license plates
119	shall be retained by the Department of Revenue to cover the
120	costs to administer this section."
121	Section 3. This act shall become effective on October
122	1, 2024.





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140	I	hereby certify that the within Act originated in	n and
141	was pass	ed by the House 22-Feb-24.	
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