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SB 1624: youth charity special plates Sponsor: Senator Werner, LD 4 Caucus & COW

Overview

Establishes the Youth Charity Special Plate and Fund (Fund).

History

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is required to provide every vehicle owner one license plate for every vehicle registered upon application and payment of fees (A.R.S. § 28-2351). Statute requires ADOT to issue or renew special plates according to specified requirements (A.R.S. § 28-2403). An initial and annual renewal fee of \$25 is required for the special plate in addition to the vehicle registration fees. Of the \$25 special plate fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is an annual donation (A.R.S. §§ 28-2402; 28-2404). Special plates require a standard \$32,000 implementation fee.

All license plates, including special plates, that are designed or redesigned after September 24, 2022, are required to have: 1) the background color of the license plate contrast significantly with the color of the letters and numerals and the name of the state on the license plate; and 2) the name of the state appear on the license plate in capital letters in sans serif font with a height of three-fourths of an inch (A.R.S. § 28-2351).

Provisions

- 1. Establishes the Youth Charity Special Plate and Fund if a person pays \$32,000 to ADOT by December 31, 2025. (Sec. 3)
- 2. Requires the person who provides the \$32,000 to design the Youth Charity Special Plate. (Sec. 3)
- 3. States that the design and color of the Youth Charity Special Plate is subject to the approval of ADOT. (Sec. 3)
- 4. Allows the Director of ADOT (Director) to combine requests for Youth Charity Special Plate with requests for personalized special plates and subjects the request to additional fees. (Sec. 3)
- 5. Stipulates that of the \$25 fee for the Youth Charity Plate, \$8 is an administration fee and \$17 is an annual donation. (Sec. 3)
- 6. Requires ADOT to deposit all Youth Charity Special Plate administration fees into the State Highway Fund and all donations into the Fund. (Sec. 3)
- 7. Directs the first \$32,000 in the Fund to be reimbursed to the person who paid the implementation fee. (Sec. 3)

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- 8. Tasks the Director with administering the Fund. (Sec. 3)
- 9. Asserts that no more than 10% of monies in the Youth Charity Special Plate Fund may be used for the cost of administering the Fund. (Sec. 3)
- 10. States that Fund monies are continuously appropriated. (Sec. 3)
- 11. Requires the Director to annually allocate Fund monies to support an entity that:
 - a) is headquartered in this state;
 - b) has a mission to improve the lives of youth in this state by helping youth in this state overcome adversity and reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens; and
 - c) provides grants to programs and nonprofit organizations. (Sec. 3)
- 12. Requires the State Treasurer, on notice from the Director, to invest and divest monies in the Fund and monies earned from investment must be credited to the Fund. (Sec. 3)
- 13. Makes conforming changes. (Sec. 1-2, 4-6)