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HOUSE BILL 381

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; CREATING A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE FOR SUPPORTERS OF POLLINATOR PROTECTION; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] SPECIAL SUPPORT OF POLLINATOR PROTECTION REGISTRATION PLATE. --

- The department shall issue a standardized Α. special registration plate in support of pollinator protection with a logo specified in Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 indicating that the recipient supports pollinator protection.
- For an initial fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which shall be in addition to the regular motor .212796.1

vehicle registration fees, a motor vehicle owner may apply for issuance of a special registration plate as provided in Subsection A of this section. For each subsequent year, the fee shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) if the owner wishes to retain and renew the support of pollinator protection special registration plate.

- C. The revenue from the fees imposed by Subsection
 B of this section for the support of pollinator protection
 special registration plate shall be distributed as follows:
- (1) ten dollars (\$10.00) of the initial fee collected shall be retained by the department and is appropriated to the department for the manufacture and issuance of the special registration plate; and
- (2) fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the initial fee and the entire renewal fee collected shall be distributed to and are appropriated to the department of transportation for the purpose of funding pollinator protection activities, including roadside vegetation planting, educational signage and demonstration gardens in areas within the department's jurisdiction."

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