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A BILL

To amend section 4503.21 of the Revised Code to 1
authorize the owner or operator of a specialty 2
kit car to display a license plate only on the 3
rear of the car if the owner or operator pays a 4
\$150 fee. 5

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4503.21 of the Revised Code be 6
amended to read as follows: 7

Sec. 4503.21. (A) (1) No person who is the owner or 8
operator of a motor vehicle shall fail to display in plain view 9
on the front and rear of the motor vehicle a license plate that 10
bears the distinctive number and registration mark assigned to 11
the motor vehicle by the director of public safety, including 12
any county identification sticker and any validation sticker 13
issued under sections 4503.19 and 4503.191 of the Revised Code, 14
~~furnished by the director of public safety,~~ except ~~that a~~ as 15
follows: 16

(a) A manufacturer of motor vehicles or dealer therein, 17

the holder of an in transit permit, and the owner or operator of 18
a motorcycle, motorized bicycle or moped, motor-driven cycle or 19
motor scooter, auticycle, cab-enclosed motorcycle, manufactured 20
home, mobile home, trailer, or semitrailer shall display a 21
license plate on the rear only. ~~A~~ 22

(b) The owner or operator of a specialty kit car, who pays 23
a fee of one hundred fifty dollars in accordance with rules, 24
shall display a license plate on the rear only. The registrar of 25
motor vehicles shall adopt rules establishing any necessary 26
procedures governing the payment of the fee and implementation 27
of division (A) (1) (b) of this section. The registrar shall pay 28
all fees received under division (A) (1) (b) of this section into 29
the law enforcement assistance fund established under section 30
109.802 of the Revised Code. 31

As used in division (A) (1) (b) of this section, "specialty 32
kit car" means a motor vehicle that is assembled by the 33
purchaser or a third party from a set of parts that are produced 34
and sold by a manufacturer. 35

(c) A motor vehicle that is issued two license plates 36
shall display the validation sticker only on the rear license 37
plate, except that a commercial tractor that does not receive an 38
apportioned license plate under the international registration 39
plan shall display the validation sticker on the front of the 40
commercial tractor. ~~An~~ 41

(d) An apportioned vehicle receiving an apportioned 42
license plate under the international registration plan shall 43
display the license plate only on the front of a commercial 44
tractor and on the rear of all other vehicles. ~~All~~ 45

(2) All license plates shall be securely fastened so as 46

not to swing, and shall not be covered by any material that
obstructs their visibility.

(B) No person to whom a temporary license placard or
windshield sticker has been issued for the use of a motor
vehicle under section 4503.182 of the Revised Code, and no
operator of that motor vehicle, shall fail to display the
temporary license placard in plain view from the rear of the
vehicle either in the rear window or on an external rear surface
of the motor vehicle, or fail to display the windshield sticker
in plain view on the rear window of the motor vehicle. No
temporary license placard or windshield sticker shall be covered
by any material that obstructs its visibility.

~~(B)~~ (C) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor
misdemeanor.

Section 2. That existing section 4503.21 of the Revised
Code is hereby repealed.