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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1179

Introduced by: Representatives Otten (Herman) and Cronin and Senators Begalka and Otten (Ernie)

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide a credit for the return of certain motor vehicle  
2 number plates.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 32-5-2.7 be amended to read as follows:

5 32-5-2.7. If the ownership of a vehicle registered pursuant to the provisions of this chapter  
6 is transferred or assigned, the transferor shall remove the number plates from the vehicle and  
7 shall receive credit for the unexpired months at the time the plates are attached to another  
8 vehicle. No refund may be issued if the plate is detached, remains in the possession of the  
9 transferor, and is not reattached. However, if the transferor returns the number plates to the  
10 possession of the county treasurer, the transferor shall receive a credit for the unexpired months  
11 remaining for the time the plates are returned to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
12 issue to the transferor a warrant for an amount equal to a pro rata share for the remaining months  
13 of the year less a five dollar administrative fee to be retained by the county. The number plates  
14 must be in the possession of the county treasurer on or before the fifth day of the month to  
15 receive credit for that month. If the transferor fails to remove or return the number plates



- 1 pursuant to this section, the transferor loses any credit and the plates are no longer valid. A
- 2 violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.