

# State of South Dakota

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## SENATE BILL NO. 85

Introduced by: Senators Haverly, Brown, Buhl O'Donnell, Ewing, Fiegen, Heineman (Phyllis), Novstrup (David), Olson, Omdahl, Parsley, Peters, Shorma, Soholt, Solano, Tieszen, and White and Representatives Verchio, Anderson, Bartling, Bolin, Conzet, Cronin, Gibson, Gosch, Hawks, Jensen (Alex), Novstrup (Al), Partridge, Rasmussen, Romkema, Wiik, and Wollmann

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding motorcycle license  
2 plates.

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

4 Section 1. That § 32-5-85 be amended to read:

5 32-5-85. Two number plates shall be issued, except that as to a motorcycle, recreational  
6 ~~vehicles, semitrailers, and trailers~~ vehicle, semitrailer, and trailer, as such terms are defined in  
7 subdivisions 32-3-1(10), (18), (21), and (23), one number plate shall be issued.

8 Section 2. That § 32-5-98 be amended to read:

9 32-5-98. Except as otherwise specifically provided, no person may operate or drive a motor  
10 vehicle on the public highways of this state unless ~~such~~ the vehicle ~~shall have~~ has a distinctive  
11 number assigned to it by the department, and two number plates, bearing ~~such~~ the number  
12 conspicuously displayed, horizontally and in an upright position, one on the front and one on  
13 the rear of ~~such~~ the vehicle, each securely fastened. The plates shall at all times, as far as is



1 reasonably possible, be kept clear and free of mud, ice, or snow so as to be clearly visible. All  
2 number plates, markers, or stamps evidencing registration or licensing of any vehicle in this or  
3 any foreign state, territory, district, or possession and any plate, marker, or stamp used in  
4 substitution for or in lieu of the number plates required by this section by virtue of any law or  
5 executive order for any prior year or years shall be removed from such vehicles. This section  
6 does not apply to any motorcycle. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.