



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 384

SENATE BILL NO. 317

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to transportation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Save the Bees;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Save the Bees new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the official logo or other design representative of Honeybee Tennessee. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of Honeybee Tennessee.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Save the Bees new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Honeybee Tennessee in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to support the organization's mission to educate the community on the importance of honeybees, including providing funding for local schools and camps for the appropriate equipment and educational materials needed for beekeeping.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Childhood Hunger Awareness;

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Childhood Hunger Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the logo or other appropriate design representative of the Childhood Hunger Awareness campaign. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the organization A Work of Life.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Childhood Hunger Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to A Work of Life, in accordance with §

55-4-215, and shall be used for the purposes of feeding children at risk of hunger in this state, supporting the organization's mission to fund "BackPack Programs" across this state, and other similar measures implemented to reduce childhood hunger.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Boy Scouts of America;

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the state of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Boy Scouts of America new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section shall contain the official logo or other design representative of the Boy Scouts of America. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with the Tennessee Councils of the Boy Scouts of America.

(c)(1) The funds produced from the sale of such Boy Scouts of America new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated in accordance with § 55-4-215; provided, however, that the funds allocated pursuant to § 55-4-215(a)(1) shall be distributed to each of the five (5) Tennessee Councils of the Boy Scouts of America in proportion to the number of such license plates sold in the counties which comprise each such council, such councils being currently known as Cherokee Area Council, Chattanooga and surrounding counties; Great Smoky Mountain Council, Knoxville and surrounding counties; Middle Tennessee Council, Nashville and surrounding counties; Sequoyah Council, Northeast Tennessee, including the Tri-Cities; and West Tennessee Area Council, Memphis and surrounding counties. Such funds shall be used exclusively to fund and support scouting programs and activities.

(2) Prior to initial issuance of the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section, each council of the Tennessee Councils of the Boy Scouts of America shall notify the department of each county comprising such council.

(d) Section 55-4-201(f) shall not apply to the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() In Remembrance;

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued an In Remembrance new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain an appropriate design representative of Tennessee Voices for Victims. The plates shall be designed in consultation with Tennessee Voices for Victims.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the In Remembrance new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Tennessee Voices for Victims, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used exclusively in this state to engage and empower victims and citizens in the effort to reduce violent crime.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Strictly Vettes;

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Strictly Vettes new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the official logo or other design representative of Strictly Vettes of Memphis Corvette Club, Inc. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of Strictly Vettes of Memphis Corvette Club, Inc.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Strictly Vettes new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Strictly Vettes of Memphis Corvette Club, Inc., in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to support the organization's mission to impact the community in a positive manner through philanthropic contributions in this state that improve the quality of life for those who are underprivileged and impoverished, including making donations to assist residents and groups who suffer catastrophic losses due to fire, floods, and other natural disasters.

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Baylor School;

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Baylor School new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the colors, logo, or other appropriate design representative of the Baylor School. The plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative from the Baylor School.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Baylor School new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Baylor School, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used exclusively for providing financial aid for students.

SECTION 13. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Police Activities League;

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Police Activities League new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall include the language "Police Activities League" and contain the logo of the Shelby Metro Sheriff's and Police Activities League or other appropriate design representative of the league and its three (3) major facets: children, police, and community. The plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the Shelby Metro Sheriff's and Police Activities League.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Police Activities League new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Shelby Metro Sheriff's and Police Activities League in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used to support the prevention of juvenile crime and violence by building relationships among children, police officers, and the community through positive engagement.

SECTION 15. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Martin Luther King, Jr.;

SECTION 16. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Martin Luther King, Jr., new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the official logo or other design representative of Disciples Embracing Christian Education Bible College. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with Disciples Embracing Christian Education Bible College.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Martin Luther King, Jr., new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Disciples Embracing Christian Education Bible College in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to support education in this state, the National Civil Rights Museum, the Whiteville Food Bank, and the Sickle Cell Foundation of Tennessee.

SECTION 17. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Alzheimer's Association;

SECTION 18. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued an Alzheimer's Association new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the logo of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc., in an appropriate design representative of the association. The plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc., Mid-South Chapter.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Alzheimer's Association new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc., Mid-South Chapter, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used exclusively in this state to aid in the association's fight to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research, to provide and enhance care and support for all affected, and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

(d) Section 55-4-201(f) shall not apply to the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section.

SECTION 19. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Diabetes Awareness;

SECTION 20. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Diabetes Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall be of an appropriate design to raise and promote diabetes awareness and shall be designed in consultation with the Tennessee Division of the American Diabetes Association.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Diabetes Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Tennessee Division of the American Diabetes Association in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to support the organization's programs and activities in this state.

SECTION 21. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Germantown Charity Horse Show;

SECTION 22. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Germantown Charity Horse Show new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the Germantown Charity Horse Show. Such new specialty earmarked license plates shall contain the logo or other appropriate design representative of the Germantown Charity Horse Show.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Germantown Charity Horse Show new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Germantown Charity Horse Show, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used to support the various community and charitable activities of the Germantown Charity Horse Show.

(d) Section 55-4-201(f) shall not apply to the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section.

SECTION 23. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD);

SECTION 24. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the logo of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and shall be designed in consultation with the executive director of the Tennessee chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

(c) In accordance with § 55-4-215, the funds produced from the sale of the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Tennessee chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), to be used in furtherance of the organization's mission to protect families from drivers under the influence of alcohol, drugs, and other controlled substances, and from underage drinking.

(d) Section 55-4-201(f) shall not apply to the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section.

SECTION 25. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(5), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Retired female firefighter;

SECTION 26. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) A distinctive license plate is authorized for any female who is a retired firefighter, if the female is currently a resident of this state, is otherwise qualified to register and license a motor vehicle pursuant to this title, and submits proof of former membership in a firefighting unit from which the female is a bona fide retired member in good standing.

(b) The registration plates shall bear the legend "Retired Female Firefighter".

(c) The registration plate shall be issued upon payment of the regular registration fee pursuant to this chapter and an additional fee equal to the cost of actually designing and manufacturing the plates, and submission of information in accordance with subsection (d).

(d) For issuance of a license plate pursuant to this section, all applications shall contain information that the commissioner requires proving the eligibility of the applicant as a female who retired in good standing as a firefighter pursuant to subsection (a).

SECTION 27. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() A Soldier's Child;

SECTION 28. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued A Soldier's Child new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall be of an appropriate design representative of A Soldier's Child Foundation and shall be designed in consultation with A Soldier's Child Foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of A Soldier's Child new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to A Soldier's Child Foundation in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively to support the organization's programs and activities in this state, including serving the children of military personnel who have lost their lives on active duty service in the United States armed forces.

SECTION 29. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Childhood Cancer Awareness;

SECTION 30. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Childhood Cancer Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the logo or design representative of Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer and shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Childhood Cancer Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer in accordance with § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be used exclusively for studies and research into childhood cancer conducted by different hospitals.

SECTION 31. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following new subdivision:

() Children's Hospital at Erlanger;

SECTION 32. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Children's Hospital at Erlanger new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The plates provided for in this section shall contain an appropriate logo or design representative of the Children's Hospital at Erlanger, and shall be designed in consultation with the Erlanger Health System Foundations.

(c) In accordance with § 55-4-215, the funds produced from the sale of the Children's Hospital at Erlanger new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Erlanger Health System Foundations, to be used to support the construction of a new children's hospital in the City of Chattanooga.

SECTION 33. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Cystic Fibrosis Awareness;

SECTION 34. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Cystic Fibrosis Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Such new specialty earmarked license plates shall contain the logo or other appropriate design representative of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Cystic Fibrosis Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, in accordance with § 55-4-215. The funds shall be used to support the organization's mission to fund research and provide access to care and effective treatments for individuals with cystic fibrosis in Tennessee.

(d) Section 55-4-201(f) shall not apply to the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized by this section.

SECTION 35. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(a), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Legislator Emeritus;

SECTION 36. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) A member of the general assembly, or a former member of the general assembly, who is deemed by this section to have emeritus status after having served in the general assembly eight (8) or more years, upon complying with the title and registration law and upon payment of the regular license fee appropriate to the vehicle's design or use as prescribed in this chapter, plus payment of the additional fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a registration plate as provided for in this part.

(b) The design on the Legislator Emeritus special purpose license plates shall be distinguishable from the special purpose license plates authorized by § 55-4-225 for members or former members of the general assembly. There shall be an image of the state capitol on the left half of the plate and the plate shall bear the legend "Legislator Emeritus".

(c) The special purpose license plates shall be delivered to the several county clerks for issuance during each registration renewal period as provided in § 55-4-206, except that the registrar of motor vehicles may make direct issue of the plates to the members or former

members upon proper application being made, if the plates can be prepared for direct issuance prior to March 1.

(d) This section shall not be construed to mean that any member or former member shall be prevented from exchanging a regular type plate for one of special design in the course of a given registration year.

SECTION 37. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

() Legislator Emeritus - twenty-five dollars (\$25.00);

SECTION 38. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-201(g), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Legislator Emeritus;

SECTION 39. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Chattanooga Football Club;

SECTION 40. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a Chattanooga Football Club new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section shall contain the official colors and logo of the Chattanooga Football Club. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative from the Chattanooga Football Club.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of such new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Chattanooga Football Club in accordance with § 55-4-215.

SECTION 41. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-332, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the Historic Whitehaven new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section shall have one (1) year from the effective date of this act or until July 1, 2018, whichever is later, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 42. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-246, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting instead the following:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the Historic Collierville new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section shall have until July 1, 2018, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 43. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-331(d), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized pursuant to this section shall have until July 1, 2018, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 44. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-336, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(e) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the new specialty earmarked license plates authorized pursuant to this section shall have until July 1, 2018, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 45. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is amended by deleting subdivision (c)(4)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For honorably discharged veterans and civilian veterans of Vietnam, the center emblem shall be the American flag. A Southeast Asia campaign medal or appropriate civilian documentation shall have been awarded in order to obtain the Vietnam Veteran plate.

SECTION 46. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(6)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For veterans and civilian veterans of the Korean War, the strip along the bottom of the license plate shall read "Korean War Veteran", and the symbol on the left shall be the American flag. A Korean Service Medal shall have been awarded for an honorably discharged veteran, or appropriate civilian documentation, to obtain this plate.

SECTION 47. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(7)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For veterans and civilian veterans of Operation Desert Storm, the strip along the bottom of the license plate shall read "Desert Storm Veteran", and the symbol on the left shall be the American flag. Award of the Southwest Asia Service Medal and proof of honorable service, or appropriate civilian documentation, shall be required for a veteran or civilian veteran to obtain this plate.

SECTION 48. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(9)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, the strip along the bottom of the license plate shall read "Operation Iraqi Freedom", and the symbol on the left shall be the American flag, below which shall appear the word "VETERAN" in letters of an appropriate size. The commissioner of veterans services shall also set proof of service requirements for veterans who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom to obtain the plate.

SECTION 49. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(10)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation Enduring Freedom, the strip along the bottom of the license plate shall read "Operation Enduring Freedom", and the symbol on the left shall be the American flag, below which shall appear the word "VETERAN" in letters of an appropriate size. The commissioner of veterans services shall also set proof of service requirements for veterans who have served in Operation Enduring Freedom to obtain the plate.

SECTION 50. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(11)(A) and substituting instead the following:

(A) For honorably discharged veterans of Operation New Dawn and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation New Dawn, the strip along the bottom of the license plate shall read "Operation New Dawn", and the symbol on the left shall be the American flag, below which shall appear the word "VETERAN" in letters of an appropriate size. The commissioner of veterans services shall also set proof of service requirements for veterans who have served in Operation New Dawn to obtain the plate.

SECTION 51. The redesign of the Vietnam Veteran, Korean War Veteran, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation New Dawn license plates provided for in Sections 45 through 50 of this act shall only be effectuated upon the existing inventory of the plates being utilized by the department of revenue.

SECTION 52. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-313(f), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(f) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the Niswonger Children's Hospital new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section shall have until July 1, 2018, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 53. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-315, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-201(h)(1), the Pat Summitt Foundation new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section shall have until July 1, 2018, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-201(h)(1).

SECTION 54. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, then the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act shall be severable.

SECTION 55. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

SENATE BILL NO. 317

PASSED: May 5, 2017


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 18th day of May 2017


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR