A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING ELIMINATION OF THE REQUIREMENT THAT MOTOR VEHICLES USE A FRONT LICENSE PLATE.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Eliminates the requirement that motor vehicles use a front license plate.

Makes conforming amendments.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 42-3-113 (1) (a) (I), (1) (b) (I), and (4), Colorado
Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-113. Number plate furnished - style - periodic reissuance.

(1) (a) (I) The department shall also furnish to every owner whose vehicle is registered one number plate for a motorcycle, street rod vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, any other vehicle drawn by a motor vehicle, or any item of mobile machinery or self-propelled construction equipment and two number plates, or, at the discretion of the executive director of the department, one number plate for every other vehicle, except as otherwise provided in this article. The department has the authority to require the return to the department of all number plates upon termination of the lawful use thereof by the owner.

(b) (I) The department may furnish the number plates required in this section for one or more registration periods. If the number plates are issued for multiyear use, the department may issue a validating tab or sticker to indicate the year of registration of the vehicle.

(4) The department shall issue, for every noncommercial or recreational vehicle registered as such pursuant to this article, a numbered plate or other insignia of a color or design different from any other Colorado plates, to be determined by the department, in order that such numbered plates or other insignia may be plainly recognized at a distance of at least one hundred feet during daylight.

SECTION 2. 42-3-114 (7) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-3-114. Issuance of personalized plate authorized. (7) (a) A fee of thirty-five dollars shall be charged in addition to the registration fee normally due upon the vehicle for the issuance of the same number of personalized license plates for a vehicle as are specified in section
for the issuance of number plates PLATE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION. Upon reissuance of the same personalized license plates PLATE in subsequent years, the additional fee shall be twenty-five dollars. Such fee shall be due upon the original issue or any reissuance of a personalized license plates PLATE other than a renewal of registration under paragraph (b) of this subsection (7).

SECTION 3. 42-3-123 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-3-123. Number plates to be attached. (1) (a) A number plates PLATE assigned to a self-propelled vehicle other than a motorcycle or street rod vehicle shall be attached thereto, one in the front and the other in the rear. The number plate assigned to a motorcycle, street rod vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, any other vehicle drawn by a motor vehicle, or any item of mobile machinery, or item of self-propelled construction equipment shall be attached to the rear thereof. A number plates PLATE shall be so displayed during the current registration year, except as otherwise provided in this article.

SECTION 4. 42-3-103 (4) (b), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-3-103. Registration required - exemptions. (4) (b) The provisions of this title relative to the registration of motor vehicles and the display of a number plates PLATE shall not apply to motor vehicles having registrations and displaying plates issued by the armed forces of the United States in foreign countries for vehicles owned by military or naval personnel, but said exemption shall be valid only for a period of forty-five days after the owner thereof has returned to the United States.

SECTION 5. 42-3-112 (10) (b) and (11), Colorado Revised
Statutes, are amended to read:

**42-3-112. Records of application and registration - repeal.**

(10) (b) No holder of an amateur radio license shall be entitled to purchase more than one set of such special license plates for any registration period, and no holder of a standard radio, FM, or television license shall be entitled to purchase more than ten sets of such special license plates for any registration period.

(11) Upon the application of the owner of a passenger car, motor truck, or trailer classified as Class B or Class C personal property, as defined in section 42-3-106, or the duly authorized agent of such owner showing that such owner is a member of congress from the state of Colorado, the department is authorized to assign to such owner, in addition to or in lieu of the distinct registration number specified in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section, registration plates which shall contain a number together with appropriate words or letters indicating that such owner is a member of the congress of the United States, and a separate number series shall be used to further identify such license plates. Said license plates shall not be issued by the counties but shall be issued directly by the department.

**SECTION 6.** 42-3-113.5, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**42-3-113.5. Remanufacture of certain license plates.** A motor vehicle owner who wishes to retain a set of license plates that contain only two alphabetic figures and up to four numeric figures may have such license plates remanufactured upon application to the department. Only a number of plates currently assigned and registered to such owner are eligible for remanufacture. The application
shall be on such form as is determined by the department. No additional fee shall be charged for remanufacture beyond the existing taxes and fees imposed for vehicle registration. Remanufacture is not authorized for any license plates other than the plates described in this section.

SECTION 7. 42-3-114 (2), (3) (a), (4) (a), (5), (6), (7) (b), (7) (c), and (7) (d), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-114. Issuance of personalized plate authorized.

(2) "Personalized license plates", as used in this section, means license plates that have displayed upon them the registration number assigned to the motor vehicle for which such registration number was issued in a combination of letters or numbers, or both, requested by the owner of the vehicle, subject to the limitations of this section.

(3) (a) "Personalized license plates", as used in this section, includes special license plates which bear the words "street rod" and may be issued only to a street rod vehicle.

(4) (a) The personalized license plates shall be the same color and design as a regular motor vehicle license plates, shall consist of numbers or letters, or any combination thereof, not exceeding seven positions and not less than two positions, and shall not conflict with an existing passenger, commercial, trailer, motorcycle, or other special license plates series; except that personalized license plates bearing the words "street rod" shall be of a design determined by the executive director of the department, which design shall be different from those used by the state for regular motor vehicle license plates.

(5) Any person who is the registered owner of a motor vehicle registered with the department or who makes application for the personalized license registration of a motor vehicle or renewal
personalized license registration of a motor vehicle, upon payment of the
fee prescribed in subsection (7) of this section, may apply to the
department for a personalized license plates PLATE, in the manner
prescribed in this section, which plates PLATE shall be affixed to the motor
vehicle for which registration is sought in lieu of the regular license plates
PLATE. A personalized license plates PLATE shall be issued for the annual
registration period subsequent to the year in which the application is
made.

(6) An applicant for issuance of a personalized license plates
PLATE or renewal of such plates PLATE in subsequent years shall make an
application therefor in such form and by such date as the department may
require, indicating thereon the combination of letters or numbers, or both,
requested as a registration number. There shall be no duplication of
registration numbers, and the department may refuse to issue any
combination of letters or numbers, or both, which may carry connotations
offensive to good taste and decency or which would be misleading or a
duplication of the A regular license plates PLATE provided for in this
article.

(7) (b) The department may provide for renewals RENEWAL of a
personalized license plates PLATE whereby such plates are PLATE IS
retained by the applicant in years subsequent to original issuance upon the
payment, in addition to the normal registration fee, of an annual renewal
fee of twenty-five dollars for which the department shall provide a
distinctive tag or insignia to be affixed to such plates PLATE to signify that
such vehicle has been properly registered for the year for which such
license plate was renewed.

(c) Whenever any person who has been issued a personalized
license plates PLATE applies to the department for the transfer of such plates PLATE to a subsequently acquired motor vehicle, a transfer fee of twelve dollars shall be charged in addition to all other appropriate fees.

(d) Any person who has been issued a personalized license plates PLATE shall apply for the renewal or transfer thereof according to subsection (6) of this section or shall lose the priority right to the use of the letters or numbers, or combination thereof, displayed on the personalized license plates PLATE.

SECTION 8. 42-3-115 (1) and (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-115. Issuance of optional plate authorized. (1) The department is authorized to issue an optional license plates PLATE for either a passenger car or a truck not over ten thousand pounds empty weight.

(5) All applications for a special license plates PLATE provided by this section shall be made directly to the department.

SECTION 9. The introductory portion to 42-3-115.5 (1) (a) and 42-3-115.5 (1) (c), (2) (c), (3) (c), (3) (d), (5) (c), (6) (a), and (7) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-115.5. Special plate - military veterans - rules. (1) (a) The department is directed to issue one or more sets of special license plates to the following persons who own a passenger car, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed twelve thousand pounds empty weight, or a motorcycle that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight:

(c) (I) The amount of taxes and fees for a special license plates PLATE issued pursuant to this section shall be the same as that specified
for regular motor vehicle registration; except that an additional one-time issuance or replacement fee for each motor vehicle shall apply. Such additional one-time fee shall be in the amount of ten dollars and shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the highway users tax fund.

(II) Notwithstanding subparagraph (I) of this paragraph (c):

(A) No fee shall be charged for one set of prisoner of war special license plates issued pursuant to subsection (3) of this section for a passenger car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight;

(B) No fee shall be charged for one set of disabled veteran special license plates issued pursuant to subsection (5) of this section for a passenger car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight;

(C) One dollar of each additional fee collected from purchasers of a special license plates issued pursuant to subsections (4) and (5) of this section shall be retained by the authorized agent, and one dollar and fifteen cents of each such additional fee shall be credited to the special purpose account established under section 42-1-211;

(D) No fee shall be charged for one set of medal of honor special license plates issued pursuant to subsection (7) of this section for a passenger car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight;

(E) No fee shall be charged for one set of purple heart special
license plates PLATE issued pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.

(2) **Recipient of a purple heart.** (c) No fee shall be charged for one set of purple heart special license plates PLATE.

(3) **Former prisoner of war.** (c) If a deceased former prisoner of war was authorized under this section or section 42-3-118 to use a former prisoner of war special license plate, the surviving spouse of such former prisoner of war may apply to the department to retain any set or sets of such special PLATE OR plates that such former prisoner of war had obtained. On or after January 1, 1997, such surviving spouse shall be eligible to use such special PLATE OR plates upon the payment of any fees or taxes required by this article.

(d) No fee shall be charged for one set of prisoner of war special license plates PLATE for a passenger car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight. If an eligible person applies for any additional such license plates, such person shall be required to pay any fees or taxes required by subsection (1) of this section for such additional plates.

(5) **Disabled veterans.** (c) No fee shall be charged for one set of disabled veteran special license plates PLATE for a passenger car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight. If an eligible person applies for any additional such license plates, such person shall pay any fees or taxes required by subsection (1) of this section for such additional license plates.

(6) **Survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor.** (a) The survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor special license plates PLATE shall be
designated to indicate that the owner of the motor vehicle to which such
license plates are attached is a survivor of the attack on Pearl
Harbor.

(7) **Recipient of a medal of honor.** (c) No fee shall be charged
for one set of medal of honor special license plates for a passenger
car, a motorcycle, a noncommercial or recreational vehicle, or a truck that
does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight. If an
eligible person applies for any additional such license plates, such person
shall be required to pay any fees or taxes required by subsection (1) of
this section for such additional plates.

**SECTION 10.** 42-3-115.7 (1) and (3) (a), the introductory
portions to 42-3-115.7 (3) (b) and (3) (b) (III), and 42-3-115.7 (5) and (6),
Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-115.7. **Special plates - alumni associations.** (1) The
department shall issue one or more sets of special alumni license plates to
applicants under the requirements of this section for passenger cars or
trucks that do not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight.

(3) (a) A person may apply for a special alumni license plate for
a motor vehicle if the person pays the taxes and fees required under the
provisions of this section and provides the department or authorized agent
a certificate issued by the alumni association confirming that such person
meets the qualifications for the license plate established by the alumni
association pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (3). The
department shall prepare a certificate form to be used by alumni
associations when confirming that a person is eligible to obtain a special
alumni license plates PLATE.

(b) An alumni association may establish the following
qualifications for persons seeking to obtain a special alumni license plates

PLATE:

(III) Payment of specified alumni association dues, including

special dues established for the special alumni license plates PLATE. If the

alumni association collects special dues for special alumni license plates,

the moneys may be used only for the following purposes:

(5) (a) The amount of the taxes and fees for a special alumni

license plates PLATE under this section is the same as the amount of the

taxes and fees specified for a regular motor vehicle license plates PLATE;

except that the department shall collect a one-time fee of ten dollars for

each motor vehicle for issuance or replacement of such license plates

PLATE. The department shall transmit the additional one-time fee to the

state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the highway users tax fund.

(b) An applicant may apply for a special alumni license plates

PLATE that are IS personalized upon payment of the additional fee required

by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) for a personalized license plates PLATE and

conformance with all other requirements of section 42-3-114. If any

applicant has an existing personalized license plates PLATE for a motor

vehicle, the applicant may transfer the combination of letters or numbers

to a new set of special alumni license plates PLATE for the vehicle upon

paying the fee imposed by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) and upon turning such

existing plates PLATE in to the department as required by the department.

Any person who has obtained a personalized special alumni license plates

PLATE under this paragraph (b) is required to pay the annual fee imposed

by section 42-3-114 (7) (b) for renewal of such personalized plates PLATE.

The fees under this paragraph (b) are in addition to all other taxes and fees

imposed for the special alumni license plates PLATE.
(6) Any renewal of a special alumni license plate shall be handled in the same manner as other license plates under the provisions of section 42-3-112 or, for a personalized license plate, under the provisions of section 42-3-114.

SECTION 11. 42-3-115.8 (1) and (3) (a), the introductory portion to 42-3-115.8 (3) (b), and 42-3-115.8 (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-115.8. Special plates - United States olympic committee.
(1) The department shall issue one or more sets of olympic committee special license plates to applicants under the requirements of this section for passenger cars or trucks that do not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight.

(3) (a) A person may apply for an olympic committee special license plate for a motor vehicle if the person pays the taxes and fees required under the provisions of this section and provides the department or authorized agent a certificate issued by the committee confirming that such person meets the qualifications for the license plate established by the committee pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (3). The department shall prepare a certificate form to be used by the committee when confirming that a person is eligible to obtain an olympic committee special license plate.

(b) The committee may establish the following qualifications for persons seeking to obtain a special license plate under the provisions of this section:

(5) (a) The amount of the taxes and fees for an olympic committee special license plate under this section is the same as the amount of the taxes and fees specified for a regular motor vehicle license plate.
PLATE; except that the department shall collect a one-time fee of ten dollars for each motor vehicle for issuance or replacement of such a license PLATE. The department shall transmit the additional one-time fee to the state treasurer who shall credit the same to the highway users tax fund.

(b) An applicant may apply for an olympic committee special license PLATE that are IS personalized upon payment of the additional fee required by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) for a personalized license PLATE and conformance with all other requirements of section 42-3-114. If any applicant has an existing personalized license PLATE for a motor vehicle, the applicant may transfer the combination of letters or numbers to a new set of special license PLATE for the vehicle upon paying the fee imposed by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) and upon turning such existing license PLATE in to the department as required by the department. Any person who has obtained a personalized olympic committee special license PLATE under this paragraph (b) is required to pay the annual fee imposed by section 42-3-114 (7) (b) for renewal of such personalized license PLATE. The fees under this paragraph (b) are in addition to all other taxes and fees imposed for the special license PLATE.

SECTION 12. 42-3-116.5 (2), the introductory portion to 42-3-116.5 (4) (b), and 42-3-116.5 (4) (b) (II), (6), and (7), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-116.5. Special plate - Colorado foundation for agriculture - definitions. (2) The department shall issue one or more sets of special license plates to applicants under the requirements of this section for passenger cars or trucks that do not exceed sixteen thousand pounds
(4) (b) The foundation may establish the following qualifications for persons seeking to obtain a special license plate under the provisions of this section:

(II) Payment of specified special dues established for the special license plate. If the foundation collects special dues for a special license plate, the moneys shall be expended only for support of the foundation’s programs.

(6) (a) The amount of the taxes and fees for a special license plate under this section is the same as the amount of the taxes and fees specified for a regular motor vehicle license plate; except that the department shall collect a one-time fee of ten dollars for each motor vehicle for issuance or replacement of such license plate. The department shall transmit the additional one-time fee to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the highway users tax fund.

(b) An applicant may apply for a special license plate that are personalized upon payment of the additional fee required by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) for a personalized license plate and conformance with all other requirements of section 42-3-114. If any applicant has an existing personalized license plate for a motor vehicle, the applicant may transfer the combination of letters or numbers to a new set of special license plate for the vehicle upon paying the fee imposed by section 42-3-114 (7) (a) and upon turning such existing plate in to the department as required by the department. Any person who has obtained a personalized special license plate under this paragraph (b) is required to pay the annual fee imposed by section 42-3-114 (7) (b) for renewal of such personalized plate. The fees
under this paragraph (b) are in addition to all other taxes and fees imposed for the special license plates.

(7) Any renewal of a special license plate issued under this section shall be handled in the same manner as other license plates under the provisions of section 42-3-112 or, for a personalized plate, under the provisions of section 42-3-114.

SECTION 13. 42-3-117 (1), (3), (5) (a), and (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-117. Special plate - active and retired members of the Colorado national guard. (1) The department is directed to issue one set of special license plates each year for either a passenger car or a truck that does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight owned by any active or retired member of the Colorado national guard, as defined in section 28-3-101 (5), C.R.S., in accordance with the provisions of this section for the year 1988 and for each year thereafter.

(3) Any natural person who is an active or retired member of the Colorado national guard shall be authorized to use the special license plates provided for by this section.

(5) (a) The amount of taxes and fees for such special license plates shall be the same as the amount of taxes and fees specified for regular motor vehicle registration plus an additional one-time fee of ten dollars. Such additional fee shall be transmitted to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the highway users tax fund.

(6) All applications for a special license plate provided for in this section shall be made directly to the department upon expiration of any current vehicle registration and shall include such information as the department may require. At the time of making such application, the
applicant shall submit to the department a proof of eligibility form prepared by the department of military affairs verifying active or retired status. If the owner of a vehicle registered pursuant to the provisions of this section ceases to be an active member of the Colorado national guard and has not qualified for retirement from the Colorado national guard, such person shall return the special license plates to the department upon expiration of the registration. Upon retiring from the Colorado national guard, any person wishing to retain the special license plates issued to the person pursuant to the provisions of this section shall submit to the department a verification of retired status that is issued by the department of military affairs to establish eligibility for retention of the plates. A retired member of the Colorado national guard is required to verify retired status once under this section and, upon providing such verification, is not required to provide additional verification when renewing plates issued pursuant to this section.

SECTION 14. 42-3-121 (2) (a) (I) and (2) (a) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-121. Parking privileges for persons with disabilities - applicability. (2) (a) A person with a disability may apply to the department for:

(I) A distinguishing license plates to be supplied at the same cost as a standard plates and to be displayed on a motor vehicle owned by such person as provided in section 42-3-123. Any plates issued by the department pursuant to this section shall be renewed once each year in a manner to be determined by the department. The issuance of a special license plate to a person with a disability pursuant to the provisions of this subparagraph (I) shall not preclude such person from

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obtaining an identifying placard pursuant to the provisions of subparagraph (II) of this paragraph (a). The verification requirements of subsection (1) of this section shall be met once every three years.

(III) A disabled veteran special license plate with the identifying feature for a person with a physical impairment affecting mobility, so long as the disabled person meets the eligibility criteria specified in section 42-3-115.5 (5).

SECTION 15. 42-3-124 (1) and (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-124. Expiration - temporary, new, and old plates - reflectorized plate - repeal. (1) (a) Every vehicle registration under this article shall expire on the last day of the month at the end of each twelve-month registration period and shall be renewed, upon application by the owner, the payment of the fees required by law, and in accordance with section 42-3-112 (3), not later than thirty days after the date of expiration. No license plate other than those of the registration period to which they pertain shall be displayed on a motor vehicle operated on the highways of Colorado. Any person who violates any provision of this paragraph (a) commits a class B traffic infraction.

(b) Upon application of an owner of either a passenger car or a truck not over sixteen thousand pounds empty weight showing that such owner is a member of the general assembly of the state of Colorado, the department is authorized to assign to such owner, in lieu of the distinct registration number specified in section 42-3-112 (1) (a), a registration plate that shall contain a number together with appropriate words or letters indicating that such owner is a member of the general assembly.
of the state of Colorado and a separate number series based on senatorial
and representative districts which shall be used to further identify
such a license plate.

(2) An owner who has made proper application for renewal of
registration of a vehicle but who has not received the number plate or
plate for the ensuing registration period is entitled to operate or permit the
operation of such vehicle upon the highways, upon displaying thereon on
the vehicle the number plate or plate issued for the preceding
registration period, for such time to be prescribed by the department as it
may find necessary for issuance of such new plate.

SECTION 16. 42-3-126 (1) and (3), Colorado Revised Statutes,
are amended to read:

42-3-126. Registration upon transfer. (1) Whenever the owner
of a vehicle registered under the provisions of this article transfers or
assigns the owner’s title or interest thereto, the registration of such vehicle
shall expire, and such owner shall remove the number plate. The
owner, upon application for registration in such owner’s name during the
same registration period of another motor vehicle, may receive credit upon
the fees due for such new registration for such portion of the fees paid for
the cancelled registration as the department may determine to be proper
and proportionate to the unexpired part of the original term of registration.
A fee of one dollar shall be paid in all cases as a transfer fee.

(3) In the event of a transfer by operation of law of the title or
interest of an owner in and to a vehicle, as upon inheritance, devise, or
bequest, order in bankruptcy of insolvency, execution, sale, repossession
upon default in performing the terms of a lease or executory sales
contract, chattel mortgage, secured transaction, or otherwise, the
registration thereof shall expire, and the vehicle shall not be operated upon the highways until and unless the person entitled thereto applies for and obtains the registration thereof; except that an administrator, executor, trustee, or other representative of the owner, or a sheriff or other officer, or any person repossessing the vehicle under the terms of a conditional sale contract, lease, chattel mortgage, secured transaction, or other security agreement, or the assignee or legal representative of any such person may operate or cause to be operated any vehicle upon the highways for the necessary distance from the place of repossession or place where formerly kept by the owner to a garage, warehouse, or other place of keeping or storage, either upon displaying upon such vehicle the number plates issued to the former owner or without a number plates attached thereto but under a written permit first obtained from the department or the local police authorities having jurisdiction over such highways and upon displaying in plain sight upon such vehicle a placard bearing the name and address of the person authorizing and directing such movement, plainly readable from a distance of one hundred feet during daylight.

SECTION 17. 42-3-132 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-3-132. **Department may rescind and cancel registration.**

(2) The department shall rescind and cancel the registration of a vehicle whenever the person to whom a registration number plates therefor have been issued makes or permits any unlawful use of the same plate.

SECTION 18. 42-3-133 (1) (a), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
42-3-133. Violation of registration provisions - penalty. (1) It is unlawful for any person to commit any of the following acts:

(a) To operate, or for the owner thereof knowingly to permit the operation of, upon a highway any vehicle subject to registration under this article or to possess or to have in custody or control any trailer coach whether operated on the highway or not, except trailer coaches owned by a licensed dealer or licensed manufacturer while being held for sale or resale on such dealer’s or manufacturer’s sales lot or while operated on the streets or highways with dealer plates or depot tags in accordance with laws applicable to such use for motor vehicle dealers and manufacturers, which is not registered or which does not have attached thereto and displayed thereon the number plate or plates assigned thereto by the department for the current registration year;

SECTION 19. 42-3-134 (3) (d), (3) (e), (7), (10) (a), and (11), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-3-134. Registration fees - passenger and passenger-mile taxes - repeal. (3) No fee shall be payable for the annual registration of a vehicle when:

(d) The owner of such vehicle is a former prisoner of war being issued a special plate pursuant to section 42-3-118 or is the surviving spouse of a former prisoner of war retaining the special plates which were issued to such former prisoner of war pursuant to section 42-3-118 or 42-3-115.5 (3).

(e) The owner of such vehicle is the recipient of a purple heart being issued a special plate pursuant to section 42-3-115.5 (2).

(7) An additional fee of two dollars shall be collected for each vehicle annually registered which is furnished an amateur radio call plate.
PLATE, and an additional fee of five dollars for each vehicle annually registered which is furnished a standard radio, FM, and television call plates PLATE issued pursuant to the provisions of section 42-3-112 (10).

(10) (a) Every drive-away or tow-away transporter shall apply to the department for the issuance of a license plates which may be transferred from one vehicle or combination to another vehicle or combination for delivery without further registration. The annual fee payable for the issuance of such plates PLATE shall be thirty dollars for the first set PLATE and ten dollars for each additional set PLATE. No transporter shall permit such a license plates PLATE to be used upon any vehicle which is not in transit, or upon any work or service vehicle, including a service vehicle utilized regularly to haul vehicles, or by any other person.

(11) (a) The provisions of subsections (8), (9) (a), and (10) of this section shall not apply to any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer operated by a dealer or transporter for such dealer's or transporter's private use or to any motor vehicle bearing a full-use dealer plates PLATE as described in section 42-3-127 (6) (d).

(b) The provisions of paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of this section shall only apply to a motor vehicle if owned and operated by a manufacturer, a representative of a manufacturer, or a person so authorized by the manufacturer. Any motor vehicle bearing a manufacturer plates PLATE shall be of a make and model of the current or a future year and shall have been manufactured by or for the manufacturer to which such plates were issued.

SECTION 20. 42-3-141 (1) and (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:
42-3-141. Payment by bad check - recovery of plate. (1) If the registration of a vehicle required to be registered under this article is procured or perfected by the owner, or by some person or agent in the owner’s behalf, and the registration fee and specific ownership tax therefor are paid by check, money order, draft, bill of exchange, or other negotiable instrument which is dishonored and not paid by the person upon whom drawn for any reason, the said registration shall be revoked as soon as the dishonored or unpaid instrument is returned to the county clerk and recorder or manager of revenue. Upon the return of such check, money order, draft, bill of exchange, or other negotiable instrument to the county clerk and recorder or the manager of revenue, evidencing nonpayment or dishonor of same, the county clerk and recorder or manager of revenue shall notify the owner in writing, at the address appearing on the person’s ownership tax receipt, by registered or certified mail, of the revoked registration resulting from such nonpayment or dishonor. The notice shall request the return to the county clerk and recorder or the manager of revenue of the tax receipt, license fee receipt, and registration number plates issued under such revoked registration within ten days from the date of mailing of the notice.

(2) If the owner fails to return the tax receipt, license fee receipt, and registration number plates to the county clerk and recorder or manager of revenue within ten days from the date of mailing of said notice, the county clerk and recorder or manager of revenue shall immediately repossess such tax receipt, license fee receipt, and registration number plates as may have been issued under such revoked registration, and the sheriff of any county or the manager of safety in the city and county of Denver, upon request of any county clerk
and recorder or manager of revenue, shall take such action as may be
necessary to sequester or recover possession of such receipts and
registration number PLATE OR plates within his or her jurisdiction which
may have been issued under such revoked registration. All receipts and
registration number plates repossessed under this section shall be returned
to the issuing county clerk and recorder or manager of revenue for
cancellation and revocation. Any owner attaching and using A registration
number plates PLATE acquired under a revoked registration shall be
subject to the penalties provided in section 42-3-133.

SECTION 21. 42-4-202 (4) (e), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
amended to read:

(4) (e) Each such identification plate shall be issued for a calendar year.
Application for such an identification plates PLATE shall be made by the
owner, and such plates PLATE shall be issued to the owner of each such
item described in paragraph (a) of this subsection (4). Whenever the
owner transfers, sells, or assigns the owner’s interest therein, the
exemption of such item shall expire and the owner shall remove the
identification plate therefrom and forward the same to the department.

SECTION 22. 42-4-203 (4) (a) (III), Colorado Revised Statutes,
is amended to read:

42-4-203. Unsafe vehicles - spot inspections. (4) (a) (III) If the
owner submits to the court of competent jurisdiction within thirty days
after the issuance of the summons proof that the owner has disposed of the
vehicle for junk parts or immobilized the vehicle and also submits to the
court the registration and THE license plates PLATE for the vehicle, the
owner shall be punished by a fine of five dollars. If the owner wishes to
relicense the vehicle in the future, the owner must obtain the certification
required in subsection (3) of this section.

SECTION 23. 42-4-412 (4) (c), Colorado Revised Statutes, is
amended to read:

42-4-412. Air pollution violations. (4) (c) If the owner of the
vehicle described in the complaint assessment notice presents in person
to the court an affidavit that the vehicle has been disposed of in such a
manner that it will no longer be operated on the highways, together with
the registration card and number plates of such vehicle, the fine
shall be suspended. Likewise, upon presentation, in person, of an
affidavit of the owner that such vehicle has been repaired prior to the date
set for appearance upon the charge, which appearance date shall be at
least fifteen days after the alleged offense, stating the date, location, and
nature of repairs made, together with the name of the person making said
repairs, and that the vehicle is not in violation of the provisions of this
section when in normal operation, the fine shall be suspended. Likewise,
upon presentation, by mail or in person, of an affidavit of the owner that
such vehicle is being repaired or will be repaired within thirty days after
the alleged offense, the cause shall be continued at least fifteen days. Any
such affidavits are subject to the penalties of perjury in the second degree
if made in violation of the provisions of section 18-8-503, C.R.S. Any
owner who receives a citation under the provisions of this section may
continue to use the vehicle for which the offense is alleged, without
restriction, until such owner’s conviction.

SECTION 24. 42-4-413 (2) (c) (II), Colorado Revised Statutes,
is amended to read:

42-4-413. Visible emissions from diesel-powered motor vehicles
unlawful - penalty.  (2) (c) (II) If the owner submits to the court of competent jurisdiction within thirty days after the issuance of the summons proof that the owner has disposed of the vehicle for junk parts or immobilized the vehicle and if the owner also submits to the court within such time the registration and license PLATE for the vehicle, the owner shall be punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars. If the owner wishes to relicense the vehicle in the future, the owner shall obtain the certification required in paragraph (b) of this subsection (2).

SECTION 25. The introductory portion to 42-6-106 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-6-106. Certificates of registration - plate. (1) No certificate of the registration of any motor vehicle, required by law, or A license PLATE therefor shall be issued by the director or any of the director’s authorized agents except in the following cases:

SECTION 26. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

SECTION 27. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.