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LLS NO. 13-0069.01 Chuck Brackney x2295 **INTERIM COMMITTEE BILL**

Transportation Legislation Review Committee

SHORT TITLE: "Vehicle Regis Penalty Statement Repeal Spec Plates"

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING VEHICLE REGISTRATION.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. The bill makes the statement on the notice of vehicle registration regarding the penalty for failure to register a vehicle consistent with the actual statutory penalty. The bill also repeals the statutory provisions for 2 retired special license plates.

*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-3-113, **amend** (2)
3 (d) (III), (2) (e), and (3) as follows:

4 **42-3-113. Records of application and registration.** (2) The
5 department, upon registering a vehicle, shall issue to the owner a
6 registration card, which shall contain upon its face the following:

7 (d) A notice, in type that is larger than the other information
8 contained on the registration card:

9 (III) That the minimum penalty for such offense is a
10 ~~one-hundred-dollar~~ FIVE-HUNDRED-DOLLAR fine;

11 (e) A notice that Colorado law provides for a ~~thirty-day~~
12 ONE-MONTH grace period after a registration is due for renewal;

13 (3) A notice for renewal of registration shall include a notice, in
14 type that is larger than the other information contained in the notice, that
15 specifies that motor vehicle insurance coverage is compulsory in
16 Colorado, that noncompliance is a misdemeanor traffic offense, that the
17 minimum penalty for such offense is a ~~one-hundred-dollar~~
18 FIVE-HUNDRED-DOLLAR fine, and that the maximum penalty for such
19 offense is one year's imprisonment and a one-thousand-dollar fine.

20 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 42-3-215 as
21 follows:

22 **42-3-215. Special plates - United States olympic committee -**
23 **retirement.** (1) ~~The department shall issue one or more sets of olympic~~
24 ~~committee special license plates to applicants under this section for~~
25 ~~passenger cars or trucks that do not exceed sixteen thousand pounds~~
26 ~~empty weight.~~

1 ~~(2) (a) There is hereby established the United States olympic~~
2 ~~committee special license plate. The department may begin issuance of~~
3 ~~such license plate when the United States olympic committee has~~
4 ~~commitments for license plate purchases from at least five hundred~~
5 ~~persons and provides a list of the names and addresses of such persons to~~
6 ~~the department.~~

7 ~~(b) The United States olympic committee is responsible for the~~
8 ~~costs of designing the United States olympic committee special license~~
9 ~~plate and shall pay such costs before the license plate is produced. The~~
10 ~~design for the special license plate shall conform with standards~~
11 ~~established by the department and shall be approved by the department.~~

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

21 ~~(b) The committee may establish the following qualifications for~~
22 ~~persons seeking to obtain special license plates under this section:~~

23 ~~(I) Specified levels of contributions to the United States olympic~~
24 ~~committee; or~~

25 ~~(II) Payment of specified dues, including special dues established~~
26 ~~for the special license plates. If the olympic committee collects special~~
27 ~~dues for special license plates, the moneys may be expended only for~~

1 support of the United States olympic committee program.

2 (4) (a) ~~The amount of the taxes and fees for olympic committee~~
3 ~~special license plates under this section is the same as the amount of the~~
4 ~~taxes and fees specified for regular motor vehicle license plates plus a~~
5 ~~one-time fee of twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle for issuance or~~
6 ~~replacement of such license plates. The department shall transmit the~~
7 ~~additional one-time fee to the state treasurer, who shall credit the fee to~~
8 ~~the highway users tax fund for allocation and expenditure as specified in~~
9 ~~section 43-4-205 (5.5) (b), C.R.S.~~

10 (b) ~~An applicant may apply for personalized olympic committee~~
11 ~~special license plates. Upon payment of the additional fee required by~~
12 ~~section 42-3-211 (6) (a) for personalized license plates, the department~~
13 ~~may issue such plates if the applicant complies with section 42-3-211. If~~
14 ~~an applicant has existing personalized license plates for a motor vehicle,~~
15 ~~the applicant may transfer the combination of letters or numbers to a new~~
16 ~~set of special license plates for the vehicle upon paying the fee imposed~~
17 ~~by section 42-3-211 (6) (a) and upon turning such existing plates in to the~~
18 ~~department as required by the department. A person who has obtained~~
19 ~~personalized olympic committee special license plates under this~~
20 ~~paragraph (b) is required to pay the annual fee imposed by section~~
21 ~~42-3-211 (6) (b) for renewal of such personalized plates. The fees under~~
22 ~~this paragraph (b) are in addition to all other taxes and fees imposed for~~
23 ~~the special license plates.~~

24 (5) ~~Special license plates issued under this section shall be~~
25 ~~renewed in the same manner as other license plates under section~~
26 ~~42-3-113 or, for personalized plates, under section 42-3-211.~~

27 (6) ~~For the purposes of this section, "committee" means the~~

1 ~~United States olympic committee:~~

2 ~~(7) The special license plates authorized by this section shall be~~
3 ~~retired unless such plates have been issued for at least three thousand~~
4 ~~vehicles by July 1, 2007.~~

5 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 42-3-216 as
6 follows:

7 **42-3-216. Special plates - Colorado foundation for agriculture**
8 **and natural resources - definitions - retirement.** ~~(1) For the purposes~~
9 ~~of this section:~~

10 ~~(a) "Foundation" means the Colorado foundation for agriculture.~~

11 ~~(b) "Special license plate" means the special agriculture and~~
12 ~~natural resources license plate.~~

13 ~~(2) The department shall issue one or more sets of special license~~
14 ~~plates to applicants under this section for passenger cars or trucks that do~~
15 ~~not exceed sixteen thousand pounds empty weight.~~

16 ~~(3) (a) There is hereby established the special agriculture and~~
17 ~~natural resources license plate. The department may begin issuance of~~
18 ~~such special license plate when the foundation has commitments for~~
19 ~~special license plate purchases for at least two hundred fifty special~~
20 ~~license plates and provides a list of the names and addresses of persons~~
21 ~~purchasing such plates to the department.~~

22 ~~(b) The foundation is responsible for the costs of designing the~~
23 ~~special license plate and shall pay such costs before the license plate is~~
24 ~~produced. The design for the special license plate shall conform with~~
25 ~~standards established by the department and shall be approved by the~~
26 ~~department.~~

27 ~~(4) (a) A person may apply for a special license plate for a motor~~

1 ~~vehicle if the person pays the taxes and fees required under this section~~
2 ~~and provides a certificate, issued by the foundation, confirming that such~~
3 ~~person meets the qualifications for the license plate established by the~~
4 ~~foundation pursuant to paragraph (b) of this subsection (4). The~~
5 ~~department shall prepare a certificate form to be used by the foundation~~
6 ~~when confirming that a person is eligible to obtain a special license plate.~~

7 (b) ~~The foundation may establish the following qualifications for~~
8 ~~persons seeking to obtain special license plates under this section:~~

9 (i) ~~Specified levels of contributions to the foundation; or~~

10 (ii) ~~Payment of specified special dues established for the special~~
11 ~~license plates. If the foundation collects special dues for special license~~
12 ~~plates, the moneys shall be expended only for support of the foundation's~~
13 ~~programs.~~

14 (5) (a) ~~The amount of the taxes and fees for special license plates~~
15 ~~under this section is the same as the amount of the taxes and fees~~
16 ~~specified for regular motor vehicle license plates plus a one-time fee of~~
17 ~~twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle for issuing or replacing such~~
18 ~~license plates. The department shall transmit the additional one-time fee~~
19 ~~to the state treasurer, who shall credit the same to the highway users tax~~
20 ~~fund for allocation and expenditure as specified in section 43-4-205 (5.5)~~

21 ~~(b), C.R.S.~~

22 (b) ~~An applicant may apply for personalized special license plates.~~
23 ~~Upon payment of the additional fee required by section 42-3-211 (6) (a)~~
24 ~~for personalized license plates, the department may issue such plates if~~
25 ~~the applicant complies with section 42-3-211. If any applicant has~~
26 ~~existing personalized license plates for a motor vehicle, the applicant may~~
27 ~~transfer the combination of letters or numbers to a new set of special~~

1 ~~license plates for the vehicle upon paying the fee imposed by section~~
2 ~~42-3-211 (6) (a) and upon turning such existing plates in to the~~
3 ~~department as required by the department. Any person who has obtained~~
4 ~~personalized special license plates under this paragraph (b) is required to~~
5 ~~pay the annual fee imposed by section 42-3-211 (6) (b) for renewal of~~
6 ~~such personalized plates. The fees under this paragraph (b) are in addition~~
7 ~~to all other taxes and fees imposed for the special license plates.~~

8 ~~(6) Special license plates issued under this section shall be~~
9 ~~renewed in the same manner as other license plates under section~~
10 ~~42-3-113 or, for personalized plates, under section 42-3-211.~~

11 ~~(7) The special license plates authorized by this section shall be~~
12 ~~retired unless such plates have been issued for at least three thousand~~
13 ~~vehicles by March 1, 2008.~~

14 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
15 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
16 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

