

A BILL

21-759

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



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To require the Mayor to issue a motor vehicle identification tag with an inscription, facsimile, or emblem honoring women veterans; to require the Mayor to issues a motor vehicle identification tag with a bicycle awareness design that includes an image and wording to educate motorists on the 3-foot passing rule; and to make conforming amendments.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Specialty License Plate Amendment Act of 2016”.

Sec. 2. Title IV of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, approved August 17, 1937 (50 Stat. 679; D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) New sections 2b and 2c are added to read as follows:

“Sec. 2b. Issuance of women veterans license plates.

“(a) The Mayor shall design and issue motor vehicle identification tags to honor women veterans that shall bear either the inscription “women veterans” or a facsimile or an emblem honoring women veterans. These identification tags shall retain and display the “TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION” slogan of the current District of Columbia motor vehicle identification tags.

“(b)(1) A resident ordering a motor vehicle identification tag for women veterans shall pay a one-time application fee and a display fee each year thereafter. The application fee shall be

29 \$25 and the display fee shall be \$20, or other amounts as may be established by the Mayor by  
30 rule.

31 “(2) The application fee and annual display fee shall be deposited in the Office of  
32 Veterans Affairs Fund, established by section 705 of the Office of Veterans Affairs  
33 Establishment Act of 2001, effective October 3, 2001 (D.C. Law 14-28; D.C. Official Code § 49-  
34 1004).

35 “Sec. 2c. Issuance of bicycle awareness license plates.

36 “(a) The Mayor shall design and issue motor vehicle identification tags with a design to  
37 enhance motorists’ awareness of bicycles, which shall include an image and wording to educate  
38 motorists about section 2202.10 of Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations,  
39 effective February 6, 2009 (18 DCMR § 2202.10; 56 DCR 1115). These identification tags shall  
40 retain and display the “TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION” slogan of the current  
41 District of Columbia motor vehicle identification tags.

42 “(b)(1) A resident ordering a bicycle awareness tag shall pay a one-time application fee  
43 and a display fee each year thereafter. The application fee shall be \$25 and the display fee shall  
44 be \$20, or other amounts as may be established by the Mayor by rule.

45 “(2) The application fee and annual display fee shall be deposited into the Vision  
46 Zero Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Fund, established by section 91 of the Department of  
47 Transportation Establishment Act of 2002, effective October 22, 2015 (D.C. Law 21-36; D.C.  
48 Official Code § 50-921.20).”.

49 (c) Section 3 (D.C. Official Code § 50-1501.03) is amended as follows:

50 (1) Subsection (a)(l) is amended to read as follows:

51 “(a)(l)(A) There shall be levied, collected, and paid for each registration year for each  
52 motor vehicle or trailer required to be registered under this act, the registration fee provided in  
53 this section, except that in the event the Council of the District of Columbia prescribes and the  
54 Mayor of the District of Columbia issues as the official identification tags for the District of  
55 Columbia tags treated with special reflective materials designed to increase the visibility and  
56 legibility of such tags, the Council may charge a fee not exceeding \$.50 in addition to all other  
57 fees which may be required.

58 “(B) Any person ordering a tag with special markings unique to that  
59 person shall pay a one-time application fee of \$100, and may obtain a replacement if a tag is lost  
60 or stolen upon payment of a fee of \$25 per tag.

61 “(C) Any person displaying a tag already approved for use by a member of  
62 an organization other than Disabled American Veterans shall pay a one-time application fee of  
63 \$100, and may obtain a replacement if a tag is lost or stolen upon payment of a \$25 fee per tag.

64 “(D) Any person ordering Anacostia River Commemorative License  
65 Plates shall pay the fees as set forth in section 8(b) of the of the Anacostia River Clean Up and  
66 Protection Act of 2009, effective September 23, 2009 (D.C. Law 18-55; D.C. Official Code § 8-  
67 102.07(b)).

68 “(E) Any person ordering veterans identification tags pursuant to section  
69 2a shall pay the fees as set forth in section 2a(b)(2).

70                   “(F) Any person ordering a women veterans identification tags pursuant to  
71 section 2b shall pay the fees as set forth in section 2b(b)(2).

72                   “(G) Any person ordering bicycle awareness identification tags shall pay  
73 the fees as set forth in section 2c(b)(1).”.

74                   (2) Subsection (d) is amended as follows:

75                   (A) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking the phrase “; and” and inserting  
76 a semicolon in its place.

77                   (B) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking the period and inserting a  
78 semicolon in its place.

79                   (C) New paragraphs (4) and (5) are added to read as follows:

80                   “(4) The fees collected for women veteran identification tags shall be deposited in  
81 the in the Office of Veterans Affairs Fund, established by section 705 of the Office of Veterans  
82 Affairs Establishment Act of 2001, effective October 3, 2001 (D.C. Law 14-28; D.C. Official  
83 Code § 49-1004);

84                   “(5) The fees collected for bicycle awareness identification tags shall be deposited  
85 in the Vision Zero Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Fund, established by section 91 of the  
86 Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002, effective October 22, 2015 (D.C. Law  
87 21-36; D.C. Official Code § 50-921.20); and”.

88                   Sec. 3. Conforming amendments.

89 (a) Section 91(b) of the Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002,  
90 effective October 22, 2015 (D.C. Law 21-36; D.C. Official Code § 50-921.20(b)), is amended to  
91 read as follows:

92 “(b) There shall be deposited in the Fund:

93 “(1) \$500,000 per fiscal year from the fines generated from the automated traffic  
94 enforcement system, authorized by section 901 of the Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Support Act of  
95 1996, effective April 9, 1997 (D.C. Law 11-198; D.C. Official Code § 50-2209.01); and

96 “(2) Fees received by the Department of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to section  
97 2c(b)(1) of the District of Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as approved by the Committee on  
98 Transportation and the Environment on DATE, 2016 (Committee print of Bill 21-759).”.

99 (b) Section 705 of the Office of Veterans Affairs Establishment Act of 2001, effective  
100 October 3, 2001 (D.C. Law 14-28; D.C. Official Code § 49-1004), is amended by striking the  
101 phrase “other funds for the office” and inserting the phrase “other funds for the office, including  
102 fees received by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to section 2b(b)(1) of the District of  
103 Columbia Revenue Act of 1937, as approved by the Committee on Transportation and the  
104 Environment on DATE, 2016 (Committee print of Bill 21-759).”.

105 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

106 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal  
107 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,  
108 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

109 Sec. 5. Effective date.

**ENGROSSED ORIGINAL**

110           This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
111 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as  
112 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
113 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
114 Columbia Register.