

CHAPTER 142

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 17-1012

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AN ACT**CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATE.**

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

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 42-3-250 as follows:

42-3-250. Special plates - Pueblo chile license plate. (1) BEGINNING ON THE EARLIER OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2018, OR WHEN THE DEPARTMENT IS ABLE TO ISSUE THE PLATES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES TO QUALIFIED APPLICANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION FOR MOTORCYCLES, PASSENGER CARS, TRUCKS, OR NONCOMMERCIAL OR RECREATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLES THAT DO NOT EXCEED SIXTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS EMPTY WEIGHT.

(2) (a) THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED THE PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATE. THE DEPARTMENT MAY STOP ISSUING THE PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATE IF FEWER THAN THREE THOUSAND LICENSE PLATES ARE ISSUED BY JULY 1, 2022. A PERSON WHO WAS ISSUED A PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATE ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2022, MAY CONTINUE TO USE THE LICENSE PLATE AFTER JULY 1, 2022, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT STOPS ISSUING THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE.

(b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE A DESIGN FROM AN ASSOCIATION OF PUEBLO CHILE GROWERS, BUT THE DESIGN MUST CONFORM TO DEPARTMENT STANDARDS AND BE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

(3) THE AMOUNT OF THE TAXES AND FEES FOR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES UNDER THIS SECTION IS THE SAME AS THE AMOUNT OF THE TAXES AND FEES FOR REGULAR MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES; EXCEPT THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COLLECT AN ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME FEE OF TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS FOR ISSUANCE OR

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REPLACEMENT OF THE LICENSE PLATE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSMIT THE ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME FEE TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE FEE TO THE HIGHWAY USERS TAX FUND CREATED IN SECTION 43-4-201.

(4) AN APPLICANT MAY APPLY FOR PERSONALIZED PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATES. UPON PAYMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION 42-3-211 (6)(a) FOR PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE THE PLATES IF THE APPLICANT COMPLIES WITH SECTION 42-3-211. IF AN APPLICANT HAS EXISTING PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE, THE APPLICANT MAY TRANSFER THE COMBINATION OF LETTERS OR NUMBERS TO A NEW SET OF PUEBLO CHILE LICENSE PLATES FOR THE VEHICLE UPON PAYING THE FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION 42-3-211 (6)(a) AND UPON TURNING IN THE EXISTING PLATES TO THE DEPARTMENT. A PERSON WHO HAS OBTAINED PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (4) SHALL PAY THE ANNUAL FEE IMPOSED BY SECTION 42-3-211 (6)(b) FOR RENEWAL OF THE PERSONALIZED PLATES. THE FEES UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (4) ARE IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER APPLICABLE TAXES AND FEES.

SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 42-3-312 as follows:

42-3-312. Special license plate surcharge. In addition to any other fee imposed by this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 3, an applicant for a special license plate created by rule in accordance with section 42-3-207, as the section existed when the plate was created, or license plates issued pursuant to sections 42-3-211 to 42-3-218, sections 42-3-221 to 42-3-234, and sections 42-3-237 to ~~42-3-249~~ 42-3-250 shall pay an issuance fee of twenty-five dollars; except that the fee is not imposed on special license plates exempted from additional fees for the issuance of a military special license plate by section 42-3-213 (1)(b)(II). The department shall transfer the fee to the state treasurer, who shall credit it to the licensing services cash fund created in section 42-2-114.5.

SECTION 3. 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.

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