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**HOUSE BILL 22-1241**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL**  
102              **ADVOCATES SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, AND, IN CONNECTION**  
103              **THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

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**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://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

The bill creates the CASA special license plate. In addition to the standard motor vehicle fees, the plate requires 2 one-time fees of \$25. One of the fees is credited to the highway users tax fund and the other to the licensing services cash fund.

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 26, 2022

SENATE  
2nd Reading Unamended  
April 25, 2022

HOUSE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
April 6, 2022

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
April 5, 2022

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 42-3-261 as  
3 follows:

4           **42-3-261. Special plates - CASA license plate - definition.**

5 (1) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "CASA" MEANS COURT APPOINTED  
6 SPECIAL ADVOCATES.

7           (2) BEGINNING ON THE EARLIER OF JANUARY 1, 2023, OR WHEN  
8 THE DEPARTMENT IS ABLE TO ISSUE THE PLATES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL  
9 ISSUE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES TO QUALIFIED APPLICANTS IN ACCORDANCE  
10 WITH THIS SECTION FOR MOTORCYCLES, PASSENGER CARS, TRUCKS, OR  
11 NONCOMMERCIAL OR RECREATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLES THAT DO NOT  
12 EXCEED SIXTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS EMPTY WEIGHT.

13           (3) (a) THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED THE CASA LICENSE PLATE.

14           (b) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE A DESIGN THAT INDICATES THAT  
15 THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE SUPPORTS CASA, CONFORMS TO  
16 DEPARTMENT STANDARDS, AND IS APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

17           (4) A PERSON MAY APPLY FOR A CASA LICENSE PLATE IF THE  
18 PERSON PAYS THE TAXES AND FEES REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION.

19           (5) THE AMOUNT OF THE TAXES AND FEES FOR SPECIAL LICENSE  
20 PLATES UNDER THIS SECTION IS THE SAME AS THE AMOUNT OF THE TAXES  
21 AND FEES FOR REGULAR MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES; EXCEPT THAT  
22 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COLLECT AN ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME FEE OF  
23 TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS FOR ISSUANCE OR REPLACEMENT OF THE LICENSE  
24 PLATE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TRANSMIT THE ADDITIONAL ONE-TIME  
25 FEE TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE FEE TO THE  
26 HIGHWAY USERS TAX FUND CREATED IN SECTION 43-4-201.

1           (6) AN APPLICANT MAY APPLY FOR PERSONALIZED CASA LICENSE  
2 PLATES. UPON PAYMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION  
3 42-3-211 (6)(a) FOR PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES, THE DEPARTMENT  
4 MAY ISSUE THE PLATES IF THE APPLICANT COMPLIES WITH SECTION  
5 42-3-211. IF AN APPLICANT HAS EXISTING PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES  
6 FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE, THE APPLICANT MAY TRANSFER THE COMBINATION  
7 OF LETTERS OR NUMBERS TO A NEW SET OF CASA LICENSE PLATES FOR  
8 THE VEHICLE UPON PAYING THE FEE REQUIRED BY SECTION 42-3-211 (6)(a)  
9 AND UPON TURNING IN THE EXISTING PLATES TO THE DEPARTMENT. A  
10 PERSON WHO HAS OBTAINED PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES UNDER THIS  
11 SUBSECTION (6) MUST PAY THE ANNUAL FEE IMPOSED BY SECTION  
12 42-3-211 (6)(b) TO RENEW THE PERSONALIZED PLATES. THE FEES UNDER  
13 THIS SUBSECTION (6) ARE IN ADDITION TO ALL OTHER APPLICABLE TAXES  
14 AND FEES.

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

17           **42-3-312. Special license plate surcharge.** In addition to any  
18 other fee imposed by this article 3, an applicant for a special license plate  
19 created by rule in accordance with section 42-3-207, as the section existed  
20 when the plate was created, or special license plates issued pursuant to  
21 sections 42-3-211 to 42-3-214, sections 42-3-217 to 42-3-218, sections  
22 42-3-221 to 42-3-234, sections 42-3-237 to 42-3-258, and ~~section~~  
23 ~~42-3-260~~ SECTIONS 42-3-260 AND 42-3-261 shall pay an issuance fee of  
24 twenty-five dollars; except that the fee is not imposed on special license  
25 plates exempted from additional fees for the issuance of a military special  
26 license plate by section 42-3-213 (1)(b)(II). The department shall transfer  
27 the fee to the state treasurer, who shall credit it to the licensing services

1 cash fund created in section 42-2-114.5.

2 **SECTION 3. Appropriation.** (1) For the 2022-23 state fiscal  
3 year, \$28,943 is appropriated to the department of revenue for use by the  
4 division of motor vehicles. This appropriation consists of \$14,838 from  
5 the general fund and \$14,105 from the license plate cash fund created in  
6 section 42-3-301 (1)(b), C.R.S. To implement this act, the division may  
7 use this appropriation as follows:

8 (a) \$12,859 from general fund for DRIVES maintenance and  
9 support;

10 (b) \$1,979 from the general fund for the purchase of information  
11 technology services; and

12 (c) \$14,105 from the license plate cash fund for use by vehicle  
13 services for license plate ordering.

14 (2) For the 2022-23 state fiscal year, \$1,979 is appropriated to the  
15 office of the governor for use by the office of information technology.  
16 This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the  
17 department of revenue under subsection (1)(b) of this section. To  
18 implement this act, the office may use this appropriation to provide  
19 information technology services for the department of revenue.

20 **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
21 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
22 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
23 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
24 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
25 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
26 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.