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SENATE BILL 211

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION  
PLATES FOR NEW MEXICO MAIL CARRIERS; IMPOSING A FEE; MAKING AN  
APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is  
enacted to read:

" NEW MATERIAL REGISTRATION PLATES FOR NEW MEXICO MAIL  
CARRIERS. --

A. The department shall issue special registration  
plates to any person who is an active or retired mail carrier  
with the United States postal service upon the submission by  
the person of proof satisfactory to the department that he is  
currently an active mail carrier or has retired as a mail  
carrier. Such proof shall include the submission of a signed

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1 consent form from the postmaster.

2 B. No person shall represent himself to be a mail  
3 carrier or a retired mail carrier if that person is, in fact,  
4 not a mail carrier or a retired mail carrier. The secretary  
5 shall determine what constitutes satisfactory proof of  
6 employment as a mail carrier with the United States postal  
7 service.

8 C. A person who violates the provisions of  
9 Subsection B of this section is guilty of a petty misdemeanor  
10 and shall be sentenced pursuant to Section 31-19-1 NMSA 1978.

11 D. A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00), which shall be in  
12 addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee, shall  
13 be collected by the department for the original issuance of the  
14 special registration plate for mail carriers. The fee shall be  
15 retained by the department and is appropriated to the  
16 department to defray the cost of making and issuing special  
17 registration plates for mail carriers.

18 E. The secretary shall approve the final plate  
19 design for the special registration plates for mail carriers in  
20 accordance with law. The plate shall be clearly marked as  
21 "mail carrier".

22 F. When the mail carrier holding a special plate  
23 ceases to be employed as a mail carrier and has not retired, he  
24 shall immediately remove the plate from the vehicle and return  
25 it to the secretary, at which time it shall be exchanged for a

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1 regular registration plate. When a mail carrier holding a  
2 special plate retires from his position as mail carrier, he may  
3 retain the special plate."

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