

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES FOR CHILD ADOPTION AWARENESS.

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

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 66, Article 3 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES FOR ADOPTION AWARENESS.--

A. The department shall establish and issue a special registration plate pursuant to Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 with a logo promoting awareness of the need for adoption of children in New Mexico.

B. The department shall determine the design of the logo for the child adoption awareness special registration plate in consultation with the children, youth and families department and child adoption interest groups with the purpose of promoting child adoption.

C. A person may apply for the original issuance of a child adoption awareness special registration plate for a motor vehicle the person owns for a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee. A person may renew a child adoption awareness special registration plate by paying only the regular motor vehicle annual registration fee.

D. The ten-dollar (\$10.00) original issuance fee

for a child adoption awareness special registration plate shall be retained by the department and is appropriated to the department to defray the costs of making and issuing the child adoption awareness special registration plate."

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2008.

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