AN ACT

RELATING TO REGISTRATION PLATES; CREATING A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE FOR RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

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:

"STANDARDIZED SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE FOR RETIRED NEW MEXICO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.--

- A. The division shall issue a standardized special registration plate with a logo specified in Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 indicating that the recipient is a person who is a retired New Mexico law enforcement officer upon submission by the person of proof satisfactory to the division that the person is a retired New Mexico law enforcement officer. The proof shall include the submission of a retirement commission from a New Mexico law enforcement agency.
- B. A person shall not make any representation as being a retired New Mexico law enforcement officer if that person is, in fact, not a retired New Mexico law enforcement officer. The secretary shall determine what constitutes satisfactory proof that a person is a retired New Mexico law enforcement officer.
- C. A person who violates the provisions of Subsection B of this section is guilty of a petty misdemeanor

and shall be sentenced pursuant to Section 31-19-1 NMSA 1978.

- D. A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which is in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee, shall be collected by the division for the original issuance of the special registration plate for retired New Mexico law enforcement officers.
- E. Ten dollars (\$10.00) of the fee collected pursuant to Subsection D of this section shall be retained by the division and is appropriated to the division to defray the cost of making and issuing special registration plates for retired New Mexico law enforcement officers. The remaining fifteen dollars (\$15.00) shall be deposited in the motor vehicle suspense fund for distribution pursuant to Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978.
- F. The secretary shall approve the final logo design for the special registration plate for retired New Mexico law enforcement officers. The logo shall be clearly marked as "retired New Mexico law enforcement officer" for issuance to retired New Mexico law enforcement officers."

	Section 2.	EFFECTIVE	DATEThe	effective	date of	
the	provisions	of this act	is July 1,	2010		HB 80 Page 2