SENATE BILL 364

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR STATE VEHICLE

IDENTIFICATION PLATES FOR MUTUAL DOMESTIC WATER CONSUMERS

ASSOCIATIONS; AMENDING A SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978; REPEALING A

CONFLICTING SECTION OF THE NMSA 1978.

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

SECTION 1. Section 66-6-15 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978, Chapter 35, Section 350, as amended) is amended to read:

"66-6-15. VEHICLES OF THE STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY--IDENTIFICATION PLATES.--

A. Vehicles or trailers owned by and used in the service of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo located wholly or partly in this state or of any county or municipality of this state need not be registered but must continually display plates furnished by the division.

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- В. Vehicles on loan from dealers and used in an approved driver-training program by the public schools need not be registered but must continually display plates furnished by the division.
- Each Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, each county and each municipality shall apply to the division for a plate for each vehicle or trailer in its service and shall provide identifying information concerning each vehicle or trailer for which a plate is applied.
- The division shall issue plates for vehicles and trailers in the service of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo located wholly or partly in this state or of any county or municipality of this state and keep a record of plates issued and plates returned. The plates shall be permanent and need not be renewed from year to year. The plates shall be numbered to identify the Indian nation, tribe or pueblo, the county or the municipality to which the plates are issued. The plates shall be the same size as registration plates issued to private vehicles but shall be different in color from the registration plates issued to private vehicles.
- A vehicle or trailer owned by and used in the service of the state need not be registered with the division but must continually display a plate furnished by the transportation services division of the general services department. A state agency shall apply to the transportation .184342.2

services division of the general services department for a plate for each vehicle or trailer in its service, including identifying information for each vehicle or trailer. The transportation services division of the general services department shall issue plates for state agency vehicles and trailers and shall keep a record of plates issued and plates returned. These plates shall be:

- (1) permanent and shall not be renewed from
 year to year;
- (2) numbered to identify the state agency to which they are issued; and
- (3) the same size as but a different color from registration plates issued to private vehicles or trailers or from plates issued pursuant to Subsection D of this section.
- F. As used in Subsection E of this section, "state agency" means a state department, agency, board or commission, including the legislative and judicial branches of government, and mutual domestic water consumers associations, but not including public schools and institutions of higher education."
- SECTION 2. REPEAL.--Section 66-3-28 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1994, Chapter 119, Section 14, as amended) is repealed.

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