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HOUSE BILL 379

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 LETTER 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 LETTER
CARRIERS. --

A. The department shall issue special registration
plates to a person who is an active letter 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 letter carrier. Such proof shall include the submission
of a signed consent form from a postmaster.

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1 B. A person shall not represent himself to be a
2 letter carrier if that person is, in fact, not a letter
3 carrier. The secretary shall determine what constitutes
4 satisfactory proof of employment as a letter carrier with the
5 United States postal service.

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

9 D. A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which
10 shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration
11 fee, shall be collected by the department for the original
12 issuance of the special registration plate for letter carriers.

13 E. Ten dollars (\$10.00) of the fee collected
14 pursuant to Subsection D of this section shall be retained by
15 the department and is appropriated to the department to defray
16 the cost of making and issuing special registration plates for
17 letter carriers. The remaining fifteen dollars (\$15.00) shall
18 be deposited in the motor vehicle suspense fund for
19 distribution in accordance with Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978.

20 F. The secretary shall approve the final plate
21 design for the special registration plates for letter carriers
22 in accordance with New Mexico law. The secretary shall approve
23 and issue a separate and distinctive plate clearly marked as
24 "letter carrier" for issuance to letter carriers.

25 G. When the letter carrier holding a special plate

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1 ceases to be employed as a letter carrier, he shall immediately
2 remove the plate from the vehicle and return it to the
3 secretary, at which time it shall be exchanged for a regular
4 registration plate. "

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