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HOUSE BILL 645

49TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2009

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE MOTOR
VEHICLE CODE TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL BASS FISHING REGISTRATION
PLATES; 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] SPECIAL BASS FISHING REGISTRATION PLATES--
PROCEDURES--FEE.--

A. The department shall establish and issue a
standardized special registration plate with a logo specified
in Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 featuring bass fishing for any
private motor vehicle except a motorcycle. The department
shall adopt procedures for application for and issuance of the
special bass fishing registration plates.

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1 B. The director of the department of game and fish
2 shall designate a "bass fishing" logo design committee that
3 includes a bass fishing federation representative and that
4 shall determine the design of the special wildlife artwork
5 logo. No personalized or vanity design variation of the
6 special bass fishing registration plates shall be issued.

7 C. For a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which
8 shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration
9 fees, an owner of a motor vehicle may apply for the issuance of
10 a special bass fishing registration plate. The owner of a
11 motor vehicle shall apply for the plate and pay the
12 twenty-five-dollar (\$25.00) fee for the first year and ten
13 dollars (\$10.00) for each subsequent year if the owner wishes
14 to retain and renew the special bass fishing registration
15 plate.

16 D. The revenue from the additional fee for a
17 special bass fishing registration plate shall be distributed as
18 follows:

19 (1) ten dollars (\$10.00) of the initial fee
20 collected shall be retained by the division and is appropriated
21 to the division to defray the cost of making and issuing
22 special registration plates for bass fishing; and

23 (2) fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the initial
24 fee and the entire renewal fee collected shall be distributed
25 to the bass habitat management program of the game protection

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