

# ARIZONA STATE SENATE

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#### FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2880

## Arizona bicycling special plates

## **Purpose**

Establishes an Arizona bicycling special plate and the Arizona Bicycling Special Plate Fund (Fund).

#### **Background**

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Motor Vehicle Division provides one license plate to every motor vehicle owner for each vehicle registered (A.R.S. § 28-2351). ADOT must issue or renew special plates in lieu of regular license plates under specified conditions and procedures (A.R.S. § 28-2403). The fee for obtaining or renewing a special plate is \$25 (A.R.S. § 28-2402). Of the \$25 fee, \$8 is an administration fee that ADOT deposits in the State Highway Fund (SHF) and \$17 is a donation.

All license plates, including special plates, that are designed or redesigned on or after September 24, 2022, must have: 1) the state name, Arizona, in capital letters in sans serif font and three-fourths of an inch in height; and 2) a background color that contrasts significantly with the color of the letters, numbers and the state name (A.R.S. § 28-2351).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

#### **Provisions**

- 1. Requires ADOT to issue an Arizona bicycling special plate if, by December 31, 2024, a person pays the \$32,000 implementation fee.
- 2. Requires the person that pays the \$32,000 implementation fee to design the Arizona bicycling special plate.
- 3. Subjects the design and color of the Arizona bicycling special plate to the approval of ADOT.
- 4. Allows the Director of ADOT (Director) to combine a request for an Arizona bicycling special plate with a request for a personalized special plate.
- 5. Specifies that a combined request must be submitted in a form prescribed by the Director and is subject to the fees for both the Arizona bicycling special plate and personalized special plate.
- 6. Specifies that, of the \$25 fee required to obtain or renew an Arizona bicycling special plate, \$8 is an administration fee and \$17 is an annual donation.
- 7. Establishes the Fund which is to be administered by the Director.

- 8. Requires ADOT to deposit all special plate administration fees in the SHF and transmit the Arizona bicycling special plate donations to the Fund.
- 9. Requires the first \$32,000 in the Fund to be reimbursed to the person that paid the implementation fee.
- 10. Requires the Director to annually allocate Fund monies to an entity that is a 501(c)(3) organization and must:
  - a) annually hold the largest bicycling event in the United States on the Saturday before thanksgiving that attracts over 6,000 cyclists of all ages and abilities from around the world;
  - b) have raised at least \$101,000,000 for charities and been in existence for at least 38 years;
  - c) produce bicycling events in Arizona for community, charity and wellness; and
  - d) have all the following objectives:
    - i. aiding in the economic development of Arizona;
    - ii. establishing Arizona as the bicycle center of the United States;
    - iii. encouraging individuals to adopt bicycling as a natural daily life activity; and
    - iv. producing bicycling events for bicyclists of all ages and abilities.
- 11. Caps, at 10 percent, the annual amount of Fund monies that may be used to administer the Fund.
- 12. Requires, on notice from the Director, the State Treasurer to invest and divest Fund monies and credit monies earned to the Fund.
- 13. Specifies that Fund monies are continuously appropriated.
- 14. Makes technical and conforming changes.
- 15. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

## House Action

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