

House Bill 804

By: Representatives Seabaugh of the 34th, Crowe of the 118th, Corbett of the 174th, McDonald of the 26th, and Gaines of the 120th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to motor vehicle license fees and classes, so as to provide for issuance of a
3 distinctive license plate for owners of ambulances; to provide for design, display, and
4 transfer of such license plates; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date;
5 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 motor vehicle license fees and classes, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as
10 follows:

11 "40-2-169.

12 Owners of an ambulance shall, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws relating to
13 registration and licensing of motor vehicles and upon payment of the appropriate annual
14 registration fee set forth in Code Section 40-2-151, be issued a distinctive license plate by
15 the commissioner. Such distinctive license plate shall be designed by the commissioner
16 and shall include the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's EMS Star of Life

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17 Symbol; provided, however, that such design shall differ from that of a license plate issued
18 pursuant to Code Section 40-2-86.1. Furthermore, such distinctive license plate shall be
19 displayed on the ambulance as provided in Code Section 40-2-41. Revalidation decals
20 shall be issued, upon payment of fees required by law, in the same manner as provided for
21 general issue license plates. Such license plates may be transferred from one vehicle to
22 another vehicle of the same class and acquired by the same person as provided in Code
23 Section 40-2-42. Any license plate issued to the owner of an ambulance prior to January 1,
24 2024, shall remain valid until the next registration period for such vehicle. Upon the
25 renewal of any registration after January 1, 2024, the owner of an ambulance shall be
26 issued the distinctive license plate provided for by this Code section."

27 **SECTION 2.**

28 This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2025.

29 **SECTION 3.**

30 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.