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HOUSE BILL No. 1274

DIGEST OF HB 1274 (Updated January 16, 2024 9:38 am - DI 137)

Citations Affected: IC 9-18.5.

Synopsis: Indiana semiquincentennial license plate. Provides for a semiquincentennial license plate. Establishes the semiquincentennial trust fund.

Effective: January 1, 2025.

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January 9, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.
January 16, 2024, amended, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-18.5-36 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JANUARY 1, 2025]:
4 **Chapter 36. Semiquincentennial License Plate**
5 **Sec. 1. The bureau shall design and issue a semiquincentennial**
6 **license plate.**
7 **Sec. 2. A semiquincentennial license plate shall be available for**
8 **issuance through December 31, 2026.**
9 **Sec. 3. A person that is eligible to register a vehicle under this**
10 **title is eligible to receive a semiquincentennial license plate under**
11 **this chapter upon doing the following:**
12 **(1) Completing an application for a semiquincentennial**
13 **license plate.**
14 **(2) Paying the fee under section 5 of this chapter.**
15 **Sec. 4. A semiquincentennial license plate must include the**
16 **following:**
17 **(1) A basic design for the plate, with consecutive numbers or**

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- 1 **letters, or both, to properly identify the vehicle.**
- 2 **(2) A background design, an emblem, or colors that designate**
- 3 **the license plate as a semiquincentennial license plate.**
- 4 **(3) Any other information the bureau considers necessary.**
- 5 **Sec. 5. (a) The fee for a semiquincentennial plate is twenty-five**
- 6 **dollars (\$25).**
- 7 **(b) The fee described in subsection (a) shall be collected by the**
- 8 **bureau and deposited in the semiquincentennial trust fund**
- 9 **established by section 6 of this chapter.**
- 10 **Sec. 6. (a) The semiquincentennial trust fund is established.**
- 11 **(b) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the**
- 12 **semiquincentennial trust fund not currently needed to meet the**
- 13 **obligations of the semiquincentennial trust fund in the same**
- 14 **manner as other public funds are invested. Interest that accrues**
- 15 **from these investments shall be deposited in the**
- 16 **semiquincentennial trust fund. Money in the semiquincentennial**
- 17 **trust fund is continuously appropriated for the purposes of this**
- 18 **section.**
- 19 **(c) The bureau shall administer the semiquincentennial trust**
- 20 **fund. Expenses of administering the semiquincentennial trust fund**
- 21 **shall be paid from money in the trust fund.**
- 22 **(d) The bureau shall distribute at least one (1) time each month**
- 23 **the money from the semiquincentennial trust fund to the**
- 24 **semiquincentennial commission established under IC 4-23-34.**
- 25 **(e) Money in the semiquincentennial trust fund at the end of a**
- 26 **state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred House Bill 1274, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Replace the effective date in SECTION 1 with "[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025]".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1274 as introduced.)

PRESSEL

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

