

1 AN ACT relating to special license plates and making an appropriation therefor.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 186 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) Upon application to the county clerk of the county of his or her residence, the*
6 *owner or lessee of a motor vehicle registered under KRS 186.050(1) or (3)(a) or a*
7 *motorcycle registered under KRS 186.050(2) may obtain a Kentucky Cattlemen's*
8 *Association special license plate.*

9 *(2) Each initial or renewal application for a Kentucky Cattlemen's Association*
10 *special license plate shall be subject to the payment of the fees set forth in Section*
11 *2 of this Act.*

12 *(3) The EF portion of the fees collected under Section 2 of this Act for a Kentucky*
13 *Cattlemen's Association special license plate shall be used for agricultural*
14 *programs and are hereby appropriated to the agricultural program trust fund*
15 *established in KRS 246.247, subject to the distribution and auditing requirements*
16 *set forth in KRS 186.164.*

17 *(4) The Kentucky Cattlemen's Association special license plates shall be*
18 *administered in the same manner as other special license plates prescribed in*
19 *Section 2 of this Act.*

20 *(5) The Transportation Cabinet shall consult with the Kentucky Cattlemen's*
21 *Association on the design of the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association special license*
22 *plate.*

23 ➔Section 2. KRS 186.162 is amended to read as follows:

24 (1) As used in this *chapter*~~[section and in KRS 186.043, 186.164, 186.166, 186.1722,~~
25 ~~and 186.174]:~~

26 (a) "Special license plate" means a unique license plate issued under this chapter
27 to a group or organization that readily identifies the operator of the motor

1 vehicle or motorcycle bearing the plate as a member of a group or
 2 organization, or a supporter of the work, goals, or mission of a group or
 3 organization. The term shall not include regular license plates issued under
 4 KRS 186.240;

5 (b) "Street rod" means a modernized private passenger motor vehicle
 6 manufactured prior to the year 1949, or designed or manufactured to resemble
 7 a vehicle manufactured prior to 1949;

8 (c) "SF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
 9 plate that is dedicated for use by the Transportation Cabinet;

10 (d) "CF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
 11 plate that is dedicated for use by a county clerk; and

12 (e) "EF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
 13 plate that is mandated by this chapter to be dedicated for use by a particular
 14 group or organization.

15 (2) The initial purchase fee and renewal fee for a special license plate created under this
 16 chapter shall be as established in this subsection and includes the name of group or
 17 organization and the total initial and renewal fee required for the plate. The amount
 18 in parentheses indicates how the total fee is required to be divided:

19 (a) Disabled veterans who receive assistance to purchase a vehicle from the
 20 United States Department of Veterans' Affairs, veterans declared by the
 21 United States Department of Veterans' Affairs to be one hundred percent
 22 (100%) service-connected disabled, and recipients of the Congressional Medal
 23 of Honor:

24 1. Initial Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/\$0 EF).

25 2. Renewal Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/\$0 EF).

26 (b) Former prisoners of war and survivors of Pearl Harbor:

27 1. Initial Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'

1 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

2 2. Renewal Fee: \$3 (\$0 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).

3 (c) Members of the Kentucky National Guard and recipients of the Purple Heart:

4 1. Initial Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
5 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

6 2. Renewal Fee: \$8 (\$0 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
7 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

8 (d) Members of the Civil Air Patrol; active, retired, veteran, reserve, or auxiliary
9 members of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast
10 Guard; Merchant Marines who served between December 7, 1941, and August
11 15, 1945; recipients of the Silver Star Medal, or the Bronze Star Medal
12 awarded for valor; persons who wish to receive Gold Star Mothers, Gold Star
13 Fathers, or Gold Star Spouses license plates beyond the two (2) exempted
14 from fees under KRS 186.041(6); individuals eligible for a special military
15 service academy license plate under KRS 186.041(8); and disabled veterans
16 who have been declared to be between fifty percent (50%) and ninety-nine
17 percent (99%) service-connected disabled by the United States Department of
18 Veterans' Affairs:

19 1. Initial Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
20 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

21 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
22 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

23 (e) Recipients of the Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, or Air Force
24 Cross:

25 1. Initial Fee: \$3 (\$0 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).

26 2. Renewal Fee: \$3 (\$0 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).

27 (f) Disabled license plates:

- 1 1. Initial Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 2 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 3 (g) Historic vehicles:
- 4 1. Initial Fee for two plates: \$53 (\$50 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 5 2. Renewal Fee: Do not renew annually.
- 6 (h) Members of Congress:
- 7 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 8 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
- 9 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 10 (i) Firefighters:
- 11 1. Initial Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 12 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 13 (j) Emergency management:
- 14 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 15 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 16 (k) Fraternal Order of Police:
- 17 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
- 18 FOP Death Benefit Fund).
- 19 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
- 20 FOP Death Benefit Fund).
- 21 (l) Law Enforcement Memorial:
- 22 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky Law
- 23 Enforcement Memorial Foundation, Inc.).
- 24 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky Law
- 25 Enforcement Memorial Foundation, Inc.).
- 26 (m) Personalized plates:
- 27 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).

- 1 2. Renewal Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 2 (n) Street rods:
- 3 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 4 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 5 (o) Nature plates:
- 6 1. Initial Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky
- 7 Heritage Land Conservation Fund established under KRS 146.570).
- 8 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky
- 9 Heritage Land Conservation Fund established under KRS 146.570).
- 10 (p) Amateur radio:
- 11 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 12 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 13 (q) Kentucky General Assembly:
- 14 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 15 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
- 16 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 17 (r) Kentucky Court of Justice:
- 18 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 19 2. Renewal Fee: \$8 (\$0 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
- 20 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 21 (s) Masons:
- 22 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 23 2. Renewal Fee: \$15 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$0 EF).
- 24 (t) Collegiate plates:
- 25 1. Initial Fee: \$50 (\$37 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the general
- 26 scholarship fund of the university whose name will be borne on the
- 27 plate).

- 1 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the general
2 scholarship fund of the university whose name will be borne on the
3 plate).
- 4 (u) Independent Colleges:
- 5 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Association of
6 Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities for distribution to the
7 general scholarship funds of the Association's members).
- 8 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Association of
9 Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities for distribution to the
10 general scholarship funds of the Association's members).
- 11 (v) Child Victims:
- 12 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the child victims'
13 trust fund established under KRS 41.400).
- 14 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the child victims'
15 trust fund established under KRS 41.400).
- 16 (w) Kentucky Horse Council:
- 17 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
18 Horse Council).
- 19 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the Kentucky
20 Horse Council).
- 21 (x) Ducks Unlimited:
- 22 1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky Ducks
23 Unlimited).
- 24 2. Renewal Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky Ducks
25 Unlimited).
- 26 (y) Spay neuter:
- 27 1. Initial Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the animal control

1 and care fund established under KRS 258.119).

2 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the animal control
3 and care fund established under KRS 258.119).

4 (z) Gold Star Mothers, Gold Star Fathers, or Gold Star Spouses:

5 1. Initial Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/ \$0 EF).

6 2. Renewal Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/ \$0 EF).

7 3. A person may receive a maximum of two (2) plates under this paragraph
8 free of charge and may purchase additional plates for fees as established
9 in subsection (2)(d) of this section.

10 (aa) I Support Veterans:

11 1. Initial Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
12 Department of Veterans' Affairs).

13 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the Kentucky
14 Department of Veterans' Affairs).

15 (ab) Gold Star Siblings, Gold Star Sons, or Gold Star Daughters:

16 1. Initial Fee: \$25 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the veterans'
17 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

18 2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
19 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

20 **(ac) Kentucky Cattlemen's Association:**

21 **1. Initial Fee: \$38 (\$25 SF/\$3 CF/\$10 EF to the agricultural**
22 **program trust fund established in KRS 246.247).**

23 **2. Renewal Fee: \$20 (\$12 SF/\$3 CF/\$5 EF to the agricultural**
24 **program trust fund established in KRS 246.247).**

25 (3) Any special license plate may be combined with a personalized license plate for a
26 twenty-five dollar (\$25) state fee in addition to all other fees for the particular
27 special license plate established in this section and in KRS 186.164(3). The twenty-

1 five dollar (\$25) fee required under this subsection shall be divided between the
2 cabinet and the county clerk of the county where the applicant is applying for the
3 license plate with the cabinet receiving twenty dollars (\$20) and the county clerk
4 receiving five dollars (\$5).

5 (4) Owners and lessees of motorcycles registered under KRS 186.050(2) may be
6 eligible to receive special license plates issued under this section or established
7 under the provisions of KRS 186.164 after the cabinet has received three hundred
8 (300) applications and initial state fees from the sponsoring organization.
9 Applicants for a special license plate for a motorcycle shall be required to pay the
10 fee for a special plate as prescribed in this section or in KRS 186.164. The fee paid
11 for the special plate for a motorcycle shall be in lieu of the registration fee required
12 under KRS 186.050(2).

13 ➔Section 3. KRS 186.166 is amended to read as follows:

14 (1) The Transportation Cabinet shall, unless directed otherwise by the General
15 Assembly, perpetually produce the following special license plates: military license
16 plates, U.S. Congressional license plates, firefighter license plates, emergency
17 management license plates, Fraternal Order of Police license plates, Law
18 Enforcement Memorial license plates, street rod license plates, nature license plates,
19 amateur radio license plates, Kentucky General Assembly license plates, Kentucky
20 Court of Justice license plates, Masonic Order license plates, collegiate license
21 plates, independent college and university license plates, child victims' trust fund
22 license plates, Kentucky Horse Council license plates, Kentucky Cattlemen's
23 Association license plates, Ducks Unlimited license plates, Gold Star Mothers,
24 Fathers, and Spouses license plates, Gold Star Siblings, Sons, and Daughters license
25 plates, Silver Star Medal license plates, Bronze Star Medal license plates, spay
26 neuter license plates, service academy license plates, and I Support Veterans license
27 plates.

- 1 (2) The design of the plates identified for perpetual production under this section may
2 be revised upon request of a group or organization requesting a design revision
3 under the provisions of KRS 186.164(15).
- 4 (3) (a) The design of a Purple Heart license plate shall not include any representation
5 of the word "Kentucky" that is a registered trademark or slogan which appears
6 on a general issue license plate.
- 7 (b) The design of a Purple Heart license plate shall include a representation of the
8 Purple Heart medal and the words "Combat Wounded."