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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representative Lauren H. Carson

Date Introduced: February 02, 2018

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-3 of the General Laws entitled "Registration of Vehicles" is 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section: 3 31-3-117. Special plate for The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. 4 (a) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles is empowered to make available 5 special motor vehicle registration plates for the not-for-profit The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. The plates shall be designed to reference The Rose Island Lighthouse 6 7 Foundation, Inc. 8 (b) The special plate shall be displayed upon the same registration number assigned to the 9 vehicle for which it was issued, and shall be used in place of and in the same manner as the 10 registration plates issued to the vehicle. The original registration plates for the vehicle shall be 11 removed from the vehicle and returned to the division of motor vehicles. The registration 12 certificate for the plates shall be carried in the vehicle, in accordance with § 31-3-9. The 13 registration certificate shall be in effect for the special plate. 14 (c) The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. motor vehicle plates shall be the same 15 size as regular motor vehicle plates, and shall be designed by The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc., in conjunction with the division of motor vehicles, with the design approved by 16 17 the Rhode Island state police. 18 (d) The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. plates shall be subject to a minimum

pre-paid order of at least nine hundred (900) sets of plates per plate type (i.e. passenger,

commercial, etc.). The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. plates shall not be issued unless
the minimum order requirement is met. The initial order will be handled by The Rose Island
Lighthouse Foundation, Inc., and shall not be submitted to the division of motor vehicles for
production until the minimum order has been met, and the proper paperwork submitted to the
division.
(e) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall develop application forms,
pre-payment procedures and any other procedures deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of
this section.
(f) In addition to the regular prescribed motor vehicle registration fee, The Rose Island
Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. plates shall be subject to a forty dollar (\$40.00) issuance surcharge.
(g) The forty dollar (\$40.00) issuance surcharge shall be allocated as follows:
Twenty dollars (\$20.00) shall be allocated to the general fund and the remaining twenty dollars
(\$20.00) shall be distributed annually to The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc., to assist in
the fiscal needs required to maintain and protect this historic site for all to enjoy, and to continue
in the fostering of The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. presence as an asset to Rhode
Island's economic growth and prosperity. The distribution to The Rose Island Lighthouse
Foundation, Inc. shall be placed in a restricted account and shall be paid to The Rose Island
Lighthouse Foundation, Inc.
(h) The Rose Island Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. shall be required to submit an annual
accounting report before such monies are distributed.
(i) There shall be no refunds for early cancellation of The Rose Island Lighthouse
Foundation, Inc. plates.
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

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This act would create a special motor vehicle registration plate for The Rose Island
Lighthouse Foundation, Inc.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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