

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 3326

6 By: Miller

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8 An Act relating to motor vehicles; directing reissue
9 of certain redesigned license plate; providing for
10 certain apportionment; requiring reissue of license
11 plates; authorizing promulgation of rules; providing
12 certain procedures; specifying certain construction
13 design and materials requirements; allowing for
14 certain future reissue; providing for codification;
15 providing an effective date; and declaring an
16 emergency.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1113.1 of Title 47, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. The Administrator of the Oklahoma Tax Commission shall
22 initiate the reissue of the official vehicle license plates which
23 currently bear the legend "Oklahoma Native America" and, unless
24 otherwise provided, all previous license plate designs and
substitute therefor a new license plate designed by the Oklahoma

1 License Plate Design Tack Force created in Section 1113.3 of Title
2 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

3 B. In addition to the monies apportioned by Section 1104 of
4 Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the following amounts of monies
5 shall be placed to the credit of the Oklahoma Tax Commission
6 Revolving Fund for the purpose of conducting a new general issue of
7 license plates commencing January 1, 2009:

8 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June
9 30, 2009, the first Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) collected
10 or received by the Tax Commission pursuant to the registration of
11 vehicles as provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and
12 Registration Act; and

13 2. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June
14 30, 2010, the first Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) collected
15 or received by the Tax Commission pursuant to the registration of
16 vehicles as provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and
17 Registration Act.

18 C. Subject to the Oklahoma Tax Commission Revolving Fund
19 receiving credit for the funds referenced in subsection B of this
20 section, the Administrator shall devise a numbering system suitable
21 for a new general issue of license plates commencing January 1,
22 2009. Unless otherwise provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and
23 Registration Act, new license plates will be issued to all
24 registrants applying for an original or renewal registration on or

1 after January 1, 2009, and will continue until all previously issued
2 license plates have been replaced. Upon receipt of the new general
3 issue license plate, registrants shall replace any previously issued
4 Oklahoma general issue license plate currently displayed on their
5 vehicle.

6 D. The Tax Commission shall have the authority to promulgate
7 any rules necessary to implement such a new general issue. In
8 conjunction with a new general issue of license plates, the Oklahoma
9 Tax Commission and the Oklahoma Correctional Industries may utilize
10 an alternative method of license plate inventory management.

11 E. Except for vehicles registered with a permanent nonexpiring
12 license plate pursuant to Sections 1113 and 1133 of Title 47 of the
13 Oklahoma Statutes, vehicles registered pursuant to the provisions of
14 Section 1120 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes, certain official
15 special license plates and license plates issued for motorcycles and
16 mopeds, the new license plate design provided for in subsection A of
17 this section shall be a part of all license plates issued on or
18 after January 1, 2009. The Oklahoma Tax Commission may establish
19 procedures for the purpose of allowing current registrants to
20 reserve their present general issue or personalized license plate
21 numbers for a fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), provided payment of
22 the fees are received by the Tax Commission on or before November 1,
23 2008. The fees shall be deposited into the Oklahoma Tax Commission
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1 Reimbursement Fund for the purpose of conducting the new general
2 issue of license plates.

3 F. The license plates shall be issued with identification
4 numbers and letters in a color that provides a distinct contrast
5 with a light-colored background in the plate identification area.
6 All license plates and decals shall be made with reflectorized
7 material as a background to the letters, numbers and characters
8 displayed thereon. The reflectorized material shall be of such a
9 nature as to provide effective and dependable brightness during the
10 service period for which the license plate or decal is issued.

11 G. In furtherance of the public safety of Oklahoma drivers, the
12 Department of Public Safety may request that the Oklahoma Tax
13 Commission initiate subsequent reissues of the official vehicle
14 license plate. Provided however, such request shall not occur more
15 frequently than seven (7) years following the most recent reissue.
16 Upon such request and subject to the Tax Commission receiving the
17 necessary funds the Tax Commission shall initiate the reissue.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2008.

19 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
20 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
21 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
22 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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