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3 SENATE BILL 574

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending Section
8 12, Chapter 504, O.S.L. 2004, as last amended by
9 Section 35, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2007 (47 O.S. Supp.
10 2008, Section 1135.3), which relates to special
license plates; deleting authorization for certain
special license plate; and providing an effective
date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 504, O.S.L.
15 2004, as last amended by Section 35, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2007 (47 O.S.
16 Supp. 2008, Section 1135.3), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1135.3 A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission is hereby
18 authorized to design and issue appropriate official special license
19 plates to persons wishing to demonstrate support, interest, or
20 membership to or for an organization, occupation, cause or other
21 subject as provided by this section.

22 Special license plates shall not be transferred to any other
23 person but shall be removed from the vehicle upon transfer of
24 ownership and retained. The special license plate may then be used

1 on another vehicle but only after such other vehicle has been
2 registered for the current year.

3 Special license plates shall be renewed each year by the Tax
4 Commission or a motor license agent. The Tax Commission shall
5 annually notify by mail all persons issued special license plates.
6 The notice shall contain all necessary information and shall contain
7 instructions for the renewal procedure upon presentation to a motor
8 license agent or the Tax Commission. The license plates shall be
9 issued on a staggered system.

10 The Tax Commission is hereby directed to develop and implement a
11 system whereby motor license agents are permitted to accept
12 applications for special license plates authorized under this
13 section. The motor license agent shall confirm the applicant's
14 eligibility, if applicable, collect and deposit any amount
15 specifically authorized by law, accept and process the necessary
16 information directly into such system and generate a receipt
17 accordingly. For performance of these duties, motor license agents
18 shall retain the fee provided in Section 1141.1 of this title for
19 registration of a motor vehicle. The motor license agent fees for
20 acceptance of applications and renewals shall be paid out of the
21 Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

22 If fewer than one hundred of any type of special license plates
23 authorized prior to January 1, 2004, are issued prior to January 1,
24 2006, the Tax Commission shall discontinue issuance and renewal of

1 that type of special license plate. Any such authorized special
2 license plate registrant shall be allowed to display the license
3 plate upon the designated vehicle until the registration expiration
4 date. After such time the expired special license plate shall be
5 removed from the vehicle.

6 Except as otherwise provided in this section, for special
7 license plates authorized on or after July 1, 2004, no special
8 license plates shall be developed or issued by the Tax Commission
9 until the Commission receives one hundred (100) prepaid applications
10 therefor. The prepaid applications must be received by the Tax
11 Commission within one hundred and eighty (180) days of the effective
12 date of the authorization or the authority to issue shall be null
13 and void. In the event one hundred (100) prepaid applications are
14 not received by the Tax Commission within such prescribed time
15 period any payment so received shall be refunded accordingly.

16 B. The special license plates provided by this section are as
17 follows:

18 1. Round and Square Dance License Plates - such plates shall be
19 designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for
20 round and square dancing;

21 2. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
22 License Plates - such plates shall be designed, subject to the
23 criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the NAACP, and
24 issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the NAACP;

1 3. National Rifle Association License Plates - such plates
2 shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the
3 Tax Commission by the National Rifle Association, and issued to any
4 person wishing to demonstrate support for the National Rifle
5 Association;

6 4. Masonic Fraternity License Plates - such plates shall be
7 designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of
8 a Masonic Fraternity of Oklahoma. Such persons may apply for a
9 Masonic Fraternity license plate for each vehicle with a rated
10 carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of a Masonic
11 Fraternity membership or upon the presentment of an application for
12 a Masonic Fraternity license plate authorized and approved by the
13 Grand Lodge of Oklahoma. The license plates shall be designed in
14 consultation with the Masonic Fraternities of Oklahoma and shall
15 contain the Masonic emblem;

16 5. Shriner's Hospitals for Burned and Crippled Children License
17 Plates - such plates shall be designed to demonstrate support for
18 Shriner's Hospitals for Burned and Crippled Children and shall be
19 issued to any resident of this state who is a member of a Shriner's
20 Temple in Oklahoma. The license plate shall be designed in
21 consultation with the Shriner's Temples in Oklahoma and shall
22 contain the Shriner's emblem;

1 6. Balloonists License Plate - such plates shall be designed
2 and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for hot air
3 ballooning in this state;

4 7. Order of the Eastern Star License Plates - such plates shall
5 be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member
6 of an Order of the Eastern Star. Such persons may apply for an
7 Order of the Eastern Star license plate for each vehicle with a
8 rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of an
9 Order of the Eastern Star membership or upon the presentment of an
10 application for an Order of the Eastern Star license plate
11 authorized and approved by the organization. The license plate
12 shall be designed in consultation with the Order of the Eastern Star
13 and shall contain the Order of the Eastern Star emblem;

14 8. Knights of Columbus License Plates - such plates shall be
15 designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of
16 the Knights of Columbus. Such persons may apply for a Knights of
17 Columbus license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying
18 capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of a Knights of Columbus
19 membership or upon the presentment of an application for a Knights
20 of Columbus license plate authorized and approved by the
21 organization. The license plate shall be designed in consultation
22 with the Knights of Columbus and shall contain the Knights of
23 Columbus emblem;

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1 9. Jaycees License Plates - such plates shall be designed and
2 issued to members of the Jaycees. Persons applying for such license
3 plate must show proof of membership in the Jaycees. The license
4 plates shall be designed in consultation with the Jaycees;

5 10. Ducks Unlimited License Plates - such plates shall be
6 designed and issued to members of Ducks Unlimited. Persons applying
7 for and renewing such license plates must show proof of tag
8 membership in Ducks Unlimited. The license plates shall be designed
9 in consultation with Ducks Unlimited;

10 11. Kiwanis International License Plates - such plates shall be
11 designed and issued to members of Kiwanis International. Persons
12 applying for such license plate must show proof of membership in
13 Kiwanis International. The license plates shall be designed in
14 consultation with Kiwanis International;

15 12. Certified Public Accountants License Plates - such plates
16 shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a
17 Certified Public Accountant. Such persons may apply for a Certified
18 Public Accountant license plate for each vehicle with a rated
19 carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of status as a
20 Certified Public Accountant. The license plates shall be designed
21 in consultation with the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public
22 Accountants;

1 13. Civil Emergency Management License Plates - such plates
2 shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate
3 support for the state civil emergency management system;

4 14. Civilian Conservation Corps License Plates - such plates
5 shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax
6 Commission, by the Civilian Conservation Corps Association, and
7 issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of the Civilian
8 Conservation Corps;

9 15. Rotarian License Plates - such plates shall be designed and
10 issued to any resident of this state who is a member of a Rotarian
11 Club of Oklahoma. Such persons may apply for a Rotarian license
12 plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton
13 or less upon proof of a Rotarian Club membership or upon the
14 presentment of an application for a Rotarian license plate
15 authorized and approved by a Rotarian Club of Oklahoma. The license
16 plates shall be designed in consultation with the five Rotarian
17 District Governors and shall contain the Rotarian emblem;

18 16. Benevolent Protective Order of Elks - such plates shall be
19 designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission,
20 by the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and issued to any
21 resident of this state who is a member of the Benevolent Protective
22 Order of Elks;

23 17. Humane Society License Plates - such plates shall be
24 designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for

1 the Humane Society of the United States. The plates shall be issued
2 to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to
3 a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate
4 shall contain the official Humane Society logo;

5 18. Oklahoma Mustang Club - such plates shall be designed,
6 subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the
7 Oklahoma Mustang Club, and issued to any resident of this state who
8 is a member of the Oklahoma Mustang Club. Such persons may apply
9 for an Oklahoma Mustang Club license plate upon presentment of proof
10 of membership in the Oklahoma Mustang Club. The plates shall be
11 issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from
12 one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates;

13 19. American Business Clubs (AMBUCS) License Plates - such
14 plates shall be designed and issued to members of American Business
15 Clubs. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of
16 membership in AMBUCS. The license plates shall be designed in
17 consultation with American Business Clubs;

18 20. West Point 200th Anniversary License Plates - such plates
19 shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to commemorate
20 the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of the United States
21 Military Academy at West Point, New York. The license plates shall
22 be designed in consultation with the West Point Society of Central
23 Oklahoma;

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1 ~~21. Northern Cherokee Nation of the Old Louisiana Territory~~
2 ~~License Plate~~ such plates shall be designed and issued to persons
3 ~~wishing to demonstrate support or affiliation with the Northern~~
4 ~~Cherokee Nation of the Old Louisiana Territory;~~

5 22. Oklahoma Aquarium License Plate - such plates shall be
6 designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for
7 the Oklahoma Aquarium. The license plates shall be designed in
8 consultation with the Oklahoma Aquarium;

9 ~~23.~~ 22. The Pride of Broken Arrow License Plates - such plates
10 shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate
11 support for The Pride of Broken Arrow marching band. The plates
12 shall be designed in consultation with the Broken Arrow Public
13 School System;

14 ~~24.~~ 23. Fellowship of Christian Athletes License Plates - such
15 plates shall be designed in consultation with the Fellowship of
16 Christian Athletes and issued to members and supporters of the
17 Fellowship of Christian Athletes;

18 ~~25.~~ 24. Parrothead Club License Plates - such plates shall be
19 designed and issued to members and supporters of the Parrothead
20 Club. The license plate shall be issued to any person in any
21 combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven as
22 for personalized license plates;

23 ~~26.~~ 25. Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition License Plates - such
24 plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of

1 the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition. The license plates shall be
2 designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition;

3 ~~27.~~ 26. Electric Lineman License Plate - such plates shall be
4 designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for
5 Oklahoma's electric linemen. The license plates shall be designed
6 in consultation with the Oklahoma Electric Superintendent's
7 Association;

8 ~~28.~~ 27. Alpha Kappa Alpha License Plate - such plates shall be
9 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Alpha Kappa
10 Alpha Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in
11 consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha
12 Sorority;

13 ~~29.~~ 28. The National Pan-Hellenic Council Incorporated License
14 Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person
15 wishing to demonstrate support to any of the nine sororities and
16 fraternities recognized by the National Pan-Hellenic Council
17 Incorporated. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
18 with the Oklahoma Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council
19 Incorporated;

20 ~~30.~~ 29. Organ, Eye and Tissue License Plate - such plates shall
21 be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support and
22 increase awareness for organ, eye and tissue donation. The license
23 plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Organ
24 Donor Education and Awareness Program Advisory Council;

1 ~~31.~~ 30. Central Oklahoma Habitat for Humanity License Plate -
2 such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to
3 demonstrate support and increase awareness for Habitat for Humanity.
4 The license plate shall be designed in consultation with Central
5 Oklahoma Habitat for Humanity;

6 ~~32.~~ 31. Family Career and Community Leaders of America
7 Incorporated License Plate - such plates shall be designed and
8 issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Family Career
9 and Community Leaders of America Incorporated. The license plates
10 shall be designed in consultation with Family Career and Community
11 Leaders of America Incorporated;

12 ~~33.~~ 32. Delta Sigma Theta License Plate - such plates shall be
13 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Delta Sigma
14 Theta Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in
15 consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
16 Incorporated;

17 ~~34.~~ 33. Omega Psi Phi License Plate - such plates shall be
18 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Omega Psi Phi
19 Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
20 with the Oklahoma Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated;

21 ~~35.~~ 34. Alpha Phi Alpha License Plate - such plates shall be
22 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha
23 Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
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1 with the Oklahoma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity
2 Incorporated;

3 ~~36.~~ 35. 50th Anniversary of the Interstate System of Highways
4 License Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to persons
5 wishing to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Interstate System
6 of Highways. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
7 with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation
8 Officials;

9 ~~37.~~ 36. Kappa Alpha Psi License Plate - such plates shall be
10 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi
11 Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
12 with the Oklahoma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
13 Incorporated;

14 ~~38.~~ 37. Zeta Phi Beta License Plate - such plates shall be
15 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Zeta Phi Beta
16 Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with
17 the Oklahoma Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated;

18 ~~39.~~ 38. Sigma Gamma Rho License Plate - such plates shall be
19 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Sigma Gamma Rho
20 Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with
21 the Oklahoma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Incorporated;

22 ~~40.~~ 39. Phi Beta Sigma License Plate - such plates shall be
23 designed and issued to any person who is a member of Phi Beta Sigma
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1 Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation
2 with the Oklahoma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated;

3 ~~41.~~ 40. Multiple Sclerosis License Plate - such plates shall be
4 designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for
5 and increase awareness of multiple sclerosis. The license plates
6 shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of the
7 National Multiple Sclerosis Society;

8 ~~42.~~ 41. Frederick Douglass High School License Plates - such
9 plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to
10 demonstrate support for Frederick Douglass High School located in
11 Oklahoma City. The plates shall be designed in consultation with
12 representatives of Frederick Douglass High School National Alumni
13 Association; and

14 ~~43.~~ 42. United States Air Force Academy License Plates - such
15 plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to
16 demonstrate support for the United States Air Force Academy.

17 C. The fee for such plates shall be Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00)
18 and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by
19 the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. Unless otherwise
20 provided in this section, the fee shall be apportioned as follows:
21 Eight Dollars (\$8.00) of the special license plate fee shall be
22 deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund to be
23 used for the administration of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and
24 Registration Act and the remaining Seven Dollars (\$7.00) of the

1 special license plate fee shall be apportioned as provided in
2 Section 1104 of this title.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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