

HOUSE BILL No. 4680

April 20, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Randall, Camp, Miller, Stacey, Crandall, Strand, Gnodtke, Giese, Bender, Dunaskiss, Middaugh, Hoekman, Emmons, Munsell and Stupak and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend section 804 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended
"Michigan vehicle code,"
as amended by Act No. 238 of the Public Acts of 1987, being section 257.804 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add section 803i.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 804 of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of
2 1949, as amended by Act No. 238 of the Public Acts of 1987, being
3 section 257.804 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended and
4 section 803i is added to read as follows:

5 SEC. 803I. (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ISSUE 2 SPECIAL
6 ORGANIZATION MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES TO AN APPLICANT
7 FOR USE ON A PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE, PICKUP TRUCK, VAN, OR MOTOR
8 HOME FOR WHICH THE PLATES ARE ISSUED INSTEAD OF STANDARD PLATES.

1 A SPECIAL ORGANIZATION MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATE IS A
2 REGISTRATION PLATE ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE THAT BEARS ON
3 ITS FACE THE SYMBOL OR EMBLEM OF AN ORGANIZATION.

4 (2) SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATES SHALL BEAR LETTERS AND NUM-
5 BERS AS THE SECRETARY OF STATE PRESCRIBES. SPECIAL ORGANIZATION
6 PLATES MAY CONTAIN THE SYMBOL OF THE ORGANIZATION TO THE LEFT OF
7 THE PLATE NUMBER AND THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION IMMEDIATELY
8 ABOVE THE PLATE NUMBER. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL NOT ISSUE A
9 LETTER COMBINATION WHICH MIGHT CARRY A CONNOTATION OFFENSIVE TO
10 GOOD TASTE AND DECENCY. THE SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATES SHALL BE
11 MADE OF THE SAME MATERIAL AS STANDARD PLATES. SPECIAL ORGANI-
12 ZATION PLATES SHALL NOT BE A DUPLICATION OF ANOTHER REGISTRATION
13 PLATE.

14 (3) IN ORDER TO QUALIFY ITS MEMBERS TO RECEIVE SPECIAL ORGA-
15 NIZATION PLATES, AN ORGANIZATION SHALL MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING
16 CRITERIA:

17 (A) BE A NONPROFIT FRATERNAL OR PUBLIC SERVICE
18 ORGANIZATION.

19 (B) CERTIFY THAT IT CONSISTS OF NOT LESS THAN 500 MEMBERS
20 AND THAT NOT LESS THAN 500 MEMBERS WILL APPLY FOR SPECIAL ORGANI-
21 ZATION REGISTRATION PLATES.

22 (C) HAVE A RECOGNIZABLE STATE, NATIONAL, OR INTERNATIONAL
23 SYMBOL OR EMBLEM OF THE ORGANIZATION.

24 (D) SUBMIT A SERVICE FEE OF \$250.00 FOR THE INITIAL MANUFAC-
25 TURE OF THE SYMBOLS OR EMBLEMS FOR THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION
26 PLATES.

1 (4) IF AN ORGANIZATION MEETS THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN
2 SUBSECTION (3), THE ORGANIZATION MAY REQUEST THE SECRETARY OF
3 STATE TO MANUFACTURE SPECIAL ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATES FOR
4 ITS MEMBERS. A REQUEST SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ALL OF THE
5 FOLLOWING:

6 (A) A COPY OF THE ORGANIZATION'S CHARTER AND BYLAWS, IF
7 ANY.

8 (B) A STATEMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION'S CONSENT TO USE OF THE
9 ORGANIZATION'S SYMBOL OR EMBLEM ON SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATES.
10 THE STATEMENT SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICER OF THE ORGANIZATION.

12 (C) A SAMPLE OF THE ORGANIZATION'S SYMBOL OR EMBLEM.

13 (D) THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION'S REPRESENTATIVE WHO WILL
14 SERVE AS A CONTACT PERSON WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

15 (5) A MEMBER OF AN ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS MET THE CRITERIA
16 SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (3) SHALL INDIVIDUALLY MAKE APPLICATION
17 FOR A SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATE AND SUBMIT WITH THE APPLICATION
18 THE ORGANIZATION'S CONFIRMATION OF MEMBERSHIP ON A FORM PROVIDED
19 BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

20 (6) AN APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION
21 PLATE SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE PURSUANT TO
22 THE PROCEDURES PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 217. IN ADDITION TO THE
23 REGULAR REGISTRATION FEE, EACH APPLICATION FOR A NEW SPECIAL
24 ORGANIZATION PLATE SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SERVICE FEE OF
25 \$25.00. THE SERVICE FEE PRESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT
26 BE CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR A RENEWAL TAB
27 FOR AN EXISTING SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATE. A SPECIAL

1 ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PLATE SHALL EXPIRE AS PROVIDED IN
2 SECTION 226.

3 (7) EACH SERVICE FEE COLLECTED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE
4 DEPOSITED IN THE STATE TREASURY AND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE
5 MICHIGAN TRANSPORTATION FUND. AFTER DEDUCTING MANUFACTURING AND
6 ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS, THE SERVICE FEES SHALL BE ALLOCATED PURSU-
7 ANT TO SECTION 10 OF ACT NO. 51 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1951, BEING
8 SECTION 247.660 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.

9 (8) THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY ISSUE A TEMPORARY REGISTRA-
10 TION PERMIT TO A PERSON WHO SUBMITS AN APPLICATION AND THE PROPER
11 FEES FOR A SPECIAL ORGANIZATION PLATE, IF THE APPLICANT'S CURRENT
12 VEHICLE REGISTRATION WILL EXPIRE BEFORE HIS OR HER RECEIPT OF AN
13 ORGANIZATION PLATE. THE TEMPORARY REGISTRATION SHALL EXPIRE UPON
14 THE APPLICANT'S RECEIPT OF AN ORGANIZATION PLATE OR UPON THE
15 EXPIRATION OF 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF ISSUANCE, WHICHEVER
16 OCCURS FIRST. A TEMPORARY PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
17 SHALL BE ISSUED WITHOUT CHARGE.

18 Sec. 804. A fee of \$5.00 shall be paid with each applica-
19 tion for a duplicate or replacement license plate provided for in
20 section 229. A FEE OF \$10.00 SHALL BE PAID WITH EACH APPLICATION
21 FOR A DUPLICATE OR REPLACEMENT SET OF PLATES PROVIDED FOR IN SEC-
22 TION 803I.