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SENATE BILL No. 286

February 28, 2007, Introduced by Senators PATTERSON, KUIPERS, RICHARDVILLE, GLEASON, ALLEN, VAN WOERKOM and JANSEN and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 811e (MCL 257.811e), as amended by 2006 PA 562, and by adding section 811r.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 811e. (1) Beginning January 1, 2007, the secretary of
 state may develop a fund-raising plate as provided in this section.
 - (2) A start-up fee of \$15,000.00 shall be paid for any new fund-raising plate authorized under this section, which fee shall be deposited in the transportation administration collection fund to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and issuing fund-raising plates. If the fee described in this subsection is not paid within 18 months of AFTER the effective date of the public act that

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- 1 authorizes the development and issuance of a fund-raising plate,
- 2 then the related fund-raising plate shall not be created, produced,
- 3 or issued. A start-up fee paid under this subsection is
- 4 nonrefundable.
- 5 (3) Not less than 3 years after the secretary of state first
- 6 issues 1 of the fund-raising plates as described in subsection (1)
- 7 and upon payment of \$2,000.00, the Michigan university or other
- 8 person sponsoring that fund-raising plate may redesign it as
- 9 approved by the secretary of state. The payment required under this
- 10 subsection shall be deposited in the transportation administration
- 11 collection fund to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and
- 12 issuing fund-raising plates. A payment under this subsection is
- 13 nonrefundable.
- 14 (4) The secretary of state may develop 1 or more limited term
- 15 registration plates to recognize a Michigan university or an
- 16 accomplishment or occasion of a Michigan university.
- 17 (5) The secretary of state may, at any 1 time, develop not
- 18 more than 8-9 different state sponsored fund-raising registration
- 19 plates as described in this section, and matching state-sponsored
- 20 collector plates as described in section 811g.
- 21 (6) The secretary of state shall not develop or issue a fund-
- 22 raising plate unless a public act authorizing the fund-raising
- 23 plate, at a minimum, does all of the following:
- (a) Identifies the purpose of the fund-raising plate.
- 25 (b) Creates a nonprofit fund or designates an existing
- 26 nonprofit fund to receive the money raised through the sale of
- 27 fund-raising plates and matching collector plates.

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- 1 (c) If a fund is created, names the person or entity
- 2 responsible for administering the fund.
- 3 SEC. 811R. (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL DEVELOP AND MAY
- 4 ISSUE A FUND-RAISING PLATE AND A MATCHING COLLECTOR PLATE
- 5 RECOGNIZING DUCKS UNLIMITED. THE WORDS "DUCKS UNLIMITED" SHALL BE
- 6 INSCRIBED ON THE PLATES. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL TRANSFER THE
- 7 FUND-RAISING DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF THE PLATES
- 8 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT
- 9 THE DONATION MONEY TO THE DUCKS UNLIMITED FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER
- 10 SUBSECTION (2).
- 11 (2) THE DUCKS UNLIMITED FUND IS CREATED WITHIN THE STATE
- 12 TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS
- 13 FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER
- 14 SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
- 15 CREDIT TO THE FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM FUND INVESTMENTS.
- 16 MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN
- 17 THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND. THE STATE
- 18 TREASURER SHALL DISBURSE MONEY IN THE FUND ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO
- 19 THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED. THE MONEY
- 20 CREDITED TO THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED
- 21 SHALL ONLY BE EXPENDED TO PROTECT, ENHANCE, RESTORE, MANAGE, AND
- 22 ACQUIRE WETLANDS AND ASSOCIATED UPLANDS IN THIS STATE.
- 23 (3) THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED
- 24 SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AN ACCOUNTING
- 25 OF MONEY RECEIVED AND USED UNDER SUBSECTION (2).