

HOUSE BILL No. 4957

May 19, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Espinoza, Terry Brown, Neumann, Polidori and Lori 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:

1 Sec. 811e. (1) ~~Beginning January 1, 2007, the~~ **THE** secretary of
2 state may develop a fund-raising plate as provided in this section.

3 (2) A start-up fee of \$15,000.00 shall be paid for any new
4 fund-raising plate authorized under this section, which fee shall
5 be deposited in the transportation administration collection fund
6 to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and issuing fund-
7 raising plates. If the fee described in this subsection is not paid
8 within 18 months ~~of~~ **AFTER** the effective date of the public act that

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:

24 (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.

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 UNDER
4 SECTION 811E AND ISSUE A THIN BLUE LINE FUND-RAISING PLATE UNDER
5 SECTION 811F AND A MATCHING THIN BLUE LINE COLLECTOR PLATE AS
6 PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 811G. THE SECRETARY OF STATE IN CONJUNCTION
7 WITH THE THIN BLUE LINE OF MICHIGAN SHALL DESIGN THE PLATES, HAVING
8 THE WORDS "THIN BLUE LINE" AND "MICHIGAN" ON THE PLATES.

9 (2) THE OWNER OF A VEHICLE REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED UNDER
10 THIS ACT MAY APPLY, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
11 FOR A THIN BLUE LINE FUND-RAISING PLATE AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION
12 811F INSTEAD OF A STANDARD REGISTRATION PLATE.

13 (3) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL TRANSFER THE DONATION MONEY
14 FROM THE SALE OF THIN BLUE LINE FUND-RAISING AND COLLECTOR PLATES
15 TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT THE DONATION MONEY AS
16 FOLLOWS:

17 (A) \$15.00 TO THE THIN BLUE LINE FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER
18 SUBSECTION (4).

19 (B) \$5.00 TO THE POLICE OFFICER'S AND FIRE FIGHTER'S SURVIVOR
20 TUITION FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (7).

21 (C) \$5.00 TO THE CRIME VICTIM'S RIGHTS FUND CREATED IN SECTION
22 4 OF 1989 PA 196, MCL 780.904.

23 (4) THE THIN BLUE LINE FUND IS CREATED WITHIN THE STATE
24 TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS
25 FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER
26 SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
27 CREDIT TO THE FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM FUND INVESTMENTS.

1 MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN
2 THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND.

3 (5) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL DISBURSE MONEY IN THE FUND ON A
4 QUARTERLY BASIS TO THE THIN BLUE LINE OF MICHIGAN, P.O. BOX 415,
5 HOWELL, MICHIGAN 48844-0415 OR A SUCCESSOR ADDRESS. BEGINNING NOT
6 LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2011, AND ANNUALLY AFTER THAT, AN
7 ORGANIZATION RECEIVING MONEY UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL REPORT TO THE
8 STATE TREASURER. A REPORT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE A
9 SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR OF THE MONEY
10 RECEIVED UNDER THIS SECTION.

11 (6) THE THIN BLUE LINE OF MICHIGAN SHALL EXPEND THE MONEY
12 RECEIVED UNDER THIS SECTION SOLELY TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE
13 FAMILIES OF INJURED OR DECEASED OFFICERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
14 AGENCIES WITHIN THIS STATE.

15 (7) THE POLICE OFFICER'S AND FIRE FIGHTER'S SURVIVOR TUITION
16 FUND IS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE STATE TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURER
17 MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO
18 THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE
19 FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL CREDIT TO THE FUND INTEREST AND
20 EARNINGS FROM FUND INVESTMENTS. MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF
21 THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE
22 GENERAL FUND.

23 (8) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL DISBURSE MONEY IN THE FUND ON A
24 QUARTERLY BASIS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE. BEGINNING NOT
25 LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2011, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL
26 SUBMIT TO THE STATE TREASURER A SUMMARY OF THE EXPENDITURES DURING
27 THE PRECEDING YEAR OF THE MONEY RECEIVED UNDER THIS SECTION.

1 (9) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE SHALL EXPEND THE MONEY
2 RECEIVED UNDER THIS SECTION SOLELY TO ASSIST AND SUPPORT THE POLICE
3 OFFICER'S AND FIRE FIGHTER'S SURVIVOR TUITION ACT, 1996 PA 195, MCL
4 390.1241 TO 390.1246.