

AMENDMENTS TO LB568

Introduced by Transportation and Telecommunications.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 **Section 1.** Section 37-112, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
4 2024, is amended to read:

5 37-112 The Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Cash Fund is created
6 for the purpose of funding the program set forth in section 37-111. The
7 fund shall consist of any money credited to the fund pursuant to section
8 25 of this act ~~60-3,258~~. The fund may also receive gifts, bequests,
9 grants, or other contributions or donations from public or private
10 entities. The state investment officer shall invest any money in the fund
11 available for investment pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act
12 and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

13 **Sec. 2.** Section 37-327.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
14 2024, is amended to read:

15 37-327.03 The Game and Parks State Park Improvement and Maintenance
16 Fund is created. The fund shall consist of transfers made by the
17 Legislature, money credited to the fund pursuant to section 25 of this
18 act ~~60-3,254~~, and any gifts, grants, bequests, or donations to the fund.
19 The money credited to the fund pursuant to section 25 of this act
20 ~~60-3,254~~ shall be used only for the improvement and maintenance of state
21 recreational trails as defined in section 37-338. Any other money in the
22 fund shall be used to build, repair, renovate, rehabilitate, restore,
23 modify, or improve any infrastructure in the state park system. Any money
24 in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
25 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
26 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. Beginning October 1, 2024, any
27 investment earnings from investment of money in the fund shall be

1 credited to the General Fund.

2 **Sec. 3.** Section 37-327.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
3 amended to read:

4 37-327.04 The Game and Parks Commission Educational Fund is created.
5 The fund shall consist of money credited pursuant to section 25 of this
6 act ~~60-3,227~~ and any other money as determined by the Legislature. The
7 commission shall use the fund to provide youth education programs
8 relating to wildlife conservation practices. Any money in the fund
9 available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
10 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
11 State Funds Investment Act.

12 **Sec. 4.** Section 37-811, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
13 2024, is amended to read:

14 37-811 There is hereby created the Wildlife Conservation Fund. The
15 fund shall be used to assist in carrying out the Nongame and Endangered
16 Species Conservation Act, to pay for research into and management of the
17 ecological effects of the release, importation, commercial exploitation,
18 and exportation of wildlife species pursuant to section 37-548, and to
19 pay any expenses incurred by the Department of Revenue or any other
20 agency in the administration of the income tax designation program
21 required by section 77-27,119.01. The fund shall consist of money
22 credited pursuant to section 25 of this act ~~60-3,238~~ and any other money
23 as determined by the Legislature. The fund shall also consist of money
24 transferred from the General Fund by the State Treasurer in an amount to
25 be determined by the Tax Commissioner that ~~which~~ shall be equal to the
26 total amount of contributions designated pursuant to section
27 77-27,119.01. Any money in the Wildlife Conservation Fund available for
28 investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to
29 the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
30 Investment Act.

31 **Sec. 5.** Section 60-301, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

1 2024, is amended to read:

2 60-301 Sections 60-301 to 60-3,236 and sections 7, 23, 24, and 25 of
3 this act ~~60-3,260~~ shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle
4 Registration Act.

5 **Sec. 6.** Section 60-302, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
6 2024, is amended to read:

7 60-302 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, unless
8 the context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections
9 60-302.01 to 60-360 and section 7 of this act shall be used.

10 **Sec. 7.** Commercial fertilizer trailer means a fertilizer trailer
11 owned by any individual or business entity that, for profit on a
12 commercial basis, sells agricultural fertilizer or agricultural
13 chemicals.

14 **Sec. 8.** Section 60-393, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
15 2024, is amended to read:

16 60-393 Any owner who has two or more motor vehicles or trailers
17 required to be registered under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act may
18 register all such motor vehicles or trailers on a calendar-year basis or
19 on an annual basis for the same registration period beginning in a month
20 chosen by the owner. When electing to establish the same registration
21 period for all such motor vehicles or trailers, the owner shall pay the
22 registration fee, the motor vehicle tax imposed in section 60-3,185, the
23 motor vehicle fee imposed in section 60-3,190, and the alternative fuel
24 fee imposed in section 60-3,191 on each motor vehicle for the number of
25 months necessary to extend its current registration period to the
26 registration period under which all such motor vehicles or trailers will
27 be registered. Credit shall be given for registration paid on each motor
28 vehicle or trailer when the motor vehicle or trailer has a later
29 expiration date than that chosen by the owner except as otherwise
30 provided in sections 60-3,104.01, 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, and
31 60-3,135.01 and sections 24 and 25 of this act ~~60-3,128, 60-3,224,~~

1 ~~60-3,227, 60-3,233, 60-3,235, 60-3,238, 60-3,240, 60-3,242, 60-3,244,~~
2 ~~60-3,246, 60-3,248, 60-3,250, 60-3,252, 60-3,254, 60-3,256, 60-3,258, and~~
3 ~~60-3,260.~~ Thereafter all such motor vehicles or trailers shall be
4 registered on an annual basis starting in the month chosen by the owner.

5 **Sec. 9.** Section 60-395, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
6 2024, is amended to read:

7 60-395 (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2) of this
8 section and sections 60-3,104.01, 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, and
9 60-3,135.01 and sections 24 and 25 of this act ~~60-3,128, 60-3,224,~~
10 ~~60-3,227, 60-3,231, 60-3,233, 60-3,235, 60-3,238, 60-3,240, 60-3,242,~~
11 ~~60-3,244, 60-3,246, 60-3,248, 60-3,250, 60-3,252, 60-3,254, 60-3,256,~~
12 ~~60-3,258, and 60-3,260,~~ the registration shall expire and the registered
13 owner or lessee may, by returning the registration certificate, the
14 license plates, and, when appropriate, the validation decals and by
15 either making application on a form prescribed by the department to the
16 county treasurer of the occurrence of an event described in subdivisions
17 (a) through (e) of this subsection or, in the case of a change in situs,
18 displaying to the county treasurer the registration certificate of such
19 other state as evidence of a change in situs, receive a refund of that
20 part of the unused fees and taxes on motor vehicles or trailers based on
21 the number of unexpired months remaining in the registration period from
22 the date of any of the following events:

- 23 (a) Upon transfer of ownership of any motor vehicle or trailer;
24 (b) In case of loss of possession because of fire, natural disaster,
25 theft, dismantlement, or junking;
26 (c) When a salvage branded certificate of title is issued;
27 (d) Whenever a type or class of motor vehicle or trailer previously
28 registered is subsequently declared by legislative act or court decision
29 to be illegal or ineligible to be operated or towed on the public roads
30 and no longer subject to registration fees, the motor vehicle tax imposed
31 in section 60-3,185, the motor vehicle fee imposed in section 60-3,190,

1 and the alternative fuel fee imposed in section 60-3,191;

2 (e) Upon a trade-in or surrender of a motor vehicle under a lease;
3 or

4 (f) In case of a change in the situs of a motor vehicle or trailer
5 to a location outside of this state.

6 (2) If the date of the event falls within the same calendar month in
7 which the motor vehicle or trailer is acquired, no refund shall be
8 allowed for such month.

9 (3) If the transferor or lessee acquires another motor vehicle at
10 the time of the transfer, trade-in, or surrender, the transferor or
11 lessee shall have the credit provided for in this section applied toward
12 payment of the motor vehicle fees and taxes owed by such transferor or
13 lessee at the time of such transfer, trade-in, or surrender then owing.
14 Otherwise, the transferor or lessee shall file a claim for refund with
15 the county treasurer upon an application form prescribed by the
16 department.

17 (4) The registered owner or lessee shall make a claim for refund or
18 credit of the fees and taxes for the unexpired months in the registration
19 period within sixty days after the date of the event or shall be deemed
20 to have forfeited the ~~his or her~~ right to such refund or credit.

21 (5) For purposes of this section, the date of the event shall be:
22 (a) In the case of a transfer or loss, the date of the transfer or loss;
23 (b) in the case of a change in the situs, the date of registration in
24 another state; (c) in the case of a trade-in or surrender under a lease,
25 the date of trade-in or surrender; (d) in the case of a legislative act,
26 the effective date of the act; and (e) in the case of a court decision,
27 the date the decision is rendered.

28 (6) Application for registration or for reassignment of license
29 plates and, when appropriate, validation decals to another motor vehicle
30 or trailer shall be made within thirty days of the date of purchase.

31 (7) If a motor vehicle or trailer was reported stolen under section

1 60-178, a refund under this section shall not be reduced for a lost
2 license plate charge and a credit under this section may be reduced for a
3 lost license plate charge but the applicant shall not be required to pay
4 the license plate fee for new license plates.

5 (8) The county treasurer shall refund the motor vehicle fee and
6 registration fee from the fees ~~that~~ ~~which~~ have not been transferred to
7 the State Treasurer. The county treasurer shall make payment to the
8 claimant from the undistributed motor vehicle taxes of the taxing unit
9 where the tax money was originally distributed. No refund of less than
10 two dollars shall be paid.

11 **Sec. 10.** Section 60-396, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
12 2024, is amended to read:

13 60-396 Whenever the registered owner files an application with the
14 county treasurer showing that a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is
15 disabled and has been removed from service, the registered owner may, by
16 returning the registration certificate, the license plates, and, when
17 appropriate, the validation decals or, in the case of the unavailability
18 of such registration certificate or certificates, license plates, or
19 validation decals, then by making an affidavit to the county treasurer of
20 such disablement and removal from service, receive a credit for a portion
21 of the registration fee from the fee deposited with the State Treasurer
22 at the time of registration based upon the number of unexpired months
23 remaining in the registration year except as otherwise provided in
24 sections 60-3,104.01, 60-3,121, 60-3,122.02, 60-3,122.04, and 60-3,135.01
25 and sections 24 and 25 of this act ~~60-3,128~~, ~~60-3,224~~, ~~60-3,227~~,
26 ~~60-3,233~~, ~~60-3,235~~, ~~60-3,238~~, ~~60-3,240~~, ~~60-3,242~~, ~~60-3,244~~, ~~60-3,246~~,
27 ~~60-3,248~~, ~~60-3,250~~, ~~60-3,252~~, ~~60-3,254~~, ~~60-3,256~~, ~~60-3,258~~, and ~~60-3,260~~.
28 The owner shall also receive a credit for the unused portion of the motor
29 vehicle tax and fee based upon the number of unexpired months remaining
30 in the registration year. When the owner registers a replacement motor
31 vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer at the time of filing such affidavit,

1 the credit may be immediately applied against the registration fee and
2 the motor vehicle tax and fee for the replacement motor vehicle, trailer,
3 or semitrailer. When no such replacement motor vehicle, trailer, or
4 semitrailer is so registered, the county treasurer shall determine the
5 amount, if any, of the allowable credit for the registration fee and the
6 motor vehicle tax and fee and issue a credit certificate to the owner.
7 When such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is removed from service
8 within the same month in which it was registered, no credits shall be
9 allowed for such month. The credits may be applied against taxes and fees
10 for new or replacement motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers incurred
11 within one year after cancellation of registration of the motor vehicle,
12 trailer, or semitrailer for which the credits were allowed. When any such
13 motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is reregistered within the same
14 registration year in which its registration has been canceled, the taxes
15 and fees shall be that portion of the registration fee and the motor
16 vehicle tax and fee for the remainder of the registration year.

17 **Sec. 11.** Section 60-3,101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
18 2024, is amended to read:

19 60-3,101 (1) License plates shall be issued every six years
20 beginning with the license plates issued in the year 2005.

21 (2) In the years in which plates are not issued, in lieu of issuing
22 such license plates, the department shall furnish to every person whose
23 motor vehicle or trailer is registered one or two validation decals, as
24 the case may be. Such validation decals shall bear the year for which
25 issued and be so constructed as to permit them to be permanently affixed
26 to the plates.

27 (3) This section shall not apply to license plates issued pursuant
28 to sections 60-3,203 and 60-3,228 and license plates issued for
29 commercial fertilizer trailers pursuant to section 60-3,151.

30 **Sec. 12.** Section 60-3,104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
31 2024, is amended to read:

1 60-3,104 The department shall issue the following types of license
2 plates:

3 (1) Alternate license plates issued pursuant to sections 23, 24, and
4 25 of this act;

5 (2) (1) Amateur radio station license plates issued pursuant to
6 section 60-3,126;

7 (3) (2) Apportionable vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
8 section 60-3,203;

9 (4) (3) Autocycle license plates issued pursuant to section
10 60-3,100;

11 (5) (4) Boat dealer license plates issued pursuant to section
12 60-379;

13 (5) Breast Cancer Awareness Plates issued pursuant to sections
14 60-3,230 and 60-3,231;

15 (6) Bus license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,144;

16 (7) Choose Life License Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,232
17 and 60-3,233;

18 (7) (8) Commercial motor vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
19 section 60-3,147;

20 (9) Czech Heritage Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,259 and
21 60-3,260;

22 (8) (10) Dealer or manufacturer license plates issued pursuant to
23 sections 60-3,114 and 60-3,115;

24 (9) (11) Disabled veteran license plates issued pursuant to section
25 60-3,124;

26 (12) Donate Life Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,245 and
27 60-3,246;

28 (13) Down Syndrome Awareness Plates issued pursuant to sections
29 60-3,247 and 60-3,248;

30 (14) Farm trailer license plates issued pursuant to section
31 60-3,151;

1 ~~(10)~~ ~~(15)~~ Farm truck license plates issued pursuant to section
2 60-3,146;

3 ~~(11)~~ ~~(16)~~ Farm trucks with a gross weight of over sixteen tons
4 license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,146;

5 ~~(17)~~ ~~Fertilizer trailer license plates issued pursuant to section~~
6 ~~60-3,151;~~

7 ~~(12)~~ ~~(18)~~ Former military vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
8 section 60-3,236;

9 ~~(13)~~ ~~(19)~~ Gold Star Family license plates issued pursuant to
10 sections 60-3,122.01 and 60-3,122.02;

11 ~~(14)~~ ~~(20)~~ Handicapped or disabled person license plates issued
12 pursuant to section 60-3,113;

13 ~~(15)~~ ~~(21)~~ Historical vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
14 sections 60-3,130 to 60-3,134;

15 ~~(22)~~ ~~Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates issued pursuant to~~
16 ~~section 60-3,258;~~

17 ~~(16)~~ ~~(23)~~ Local truck license plates issued pursuant to section
18 60-3,145;

19 ~~(17)~~ ~~(24)~~ Metropolitan utilities district license plates issued
20 pursuant to section 60-3,228;

21 ~~(18)~~ ~~(25)~~ Military Honor Plates issued pursuant to sections
22 60-3,122.03 and 60-3,122.04;

23 ~~(19)~~ ~~(26)~~ Minitruck license plates issued pursuant to section
24 60-3,100;

25 ~~(20)~~ ~~(27)~~ Motor vehicle license plates for motor vehicles owned or
26 operated by the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts
27 issued pursuant to section 60-3,105;

28 ~~(21)~~ ~~(28)~~ Motor vehicles exempt pursuant to section 60-3,107;

29 ~~(22)~~ ~~(29)~~ Motorcycle license plates issued pursuant to section
30 60-3,100;

31 ~~(30)~~ ~~Mountain Lion Conservation Plates issued pursuant to sections~~

1 ~~60-3,226 and 60-3,227;~~

2 ~~(31) Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates issued~~
3 ~~pursuant to sections 60-3,234 and 60-3,235;~~

4 ~~(32) Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates issued pursuant to sections~~
5 ~~60-3,127 to 60-3,129;~~

6 ~~(33) Nebraska History Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,255~~
7 ~~and 60-3,256;~~

8 ~~(34) Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates issued pursuant to~~
9 ~~sections 60-3,223 to 60-3,225;~~

10 (23) ~~(35)~~ Nonresident owner thirty-day license plates issued
11 pursuant to section 60-382;

12 (24) Organizational license plates issued pursuant to sections
13 60-3,104.01 and 60-3,104.02;

14 (25) ~~(36)~~ Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or
15 less and not used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than
16 autocycles;

17 (26) ~~(37)~~ Passenger car having a seating capacity of ten persons or
18 less and used for hire issued pursuant to section 60-3,143 other than
19 autocycles;

20 (27) ~~(38)~~ Pearl Harbor license plates issued pursuant to section
21 60-3,122;

22 (28) ~~(39)~~ Personal-use dealer license plates issued pursuant to
23 section 60-3,116;

24 (29) ~~(40)~~ Personalized message license plates for motor vehicles,
25 trailers, and semitrailers, except motor vehicles, trailers, and
26 semitrailers registered under section 60-3,198, issued pursuant to
27 sections 60-3,118 to 60-3,121;

28 ~~(41) Pets for Vets Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,249 and~~
29 ~~60-3,250;~~

30 (30) ~~(42)~~ Prisoner-of-war license plates issued pursuant to section
31 60-3,123;

1 ~~(43) Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates issued pursuant to section~~
2 ~~60-3,240;~~

3 (31) ~~(44)~~ Public power district license plates issued pursuant to
4 section 60-3,228;

5 (32) ~~(45)~~ Purple Heart license plates issued pursuant to section
6 60-3,125;

7 (33) ~~(46)~~ Recreational vehicle license plates issued pursuant to
8 section 60-3,151;

9 (34) ~~(47)~~ Repossession license plates issued pursuant to section
10 60-375;

11 ~~(48) Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer~~
12 ~~awareness issued pursuant to section 60-3,242;~~

13 (35) ~~(49)~~ Special interest motor vehicle license plates issued
14 pursuant to section 60-3,135.01;

15 ~~(50) Specialty license plates issued pursuant to sections~~
16 ~~60-3,104.01 and 60-3,104.02;~~

17 ~~(51) Support the Arts Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,251~~
18 ~~and 60-3,252;~~

19 ~~(52) Support Our Troops Plates issued pursuant to sections 60-3,243~~
20 ~~and 60-3,244;~~

21 ~~(53) The Good Life Is Outside Plates issued pursuant to sections~~
22 ~~60-3,253 and 60-3,254;~~

23 (36) ~~(54)~~ Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or
24 operated by the state, counties, municipalities, or school districts
25 issued pursuant to section 60-3,106;

26 (37) ~~(55)~~ Trailer license plates issued for trailers owned or
27 operated by a metropolitan utilities district or public power district
28 pursuant to section 60-3,228;

29 (38) ~~(56)~~ Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section
30 60-3,100;

31 (39) Trailer license plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,151;

1 ~~(40)~~ ~~(57)~~ Trailers exempt pursuant to section 60-3,108;

2 ~~(41)~~ ~~(58)~~ Transporter license plates issued pursuant to section
3 60-378;

4 ~~(42)~~ ~~(59)~~ Trucks or combinations of trucks, truck-tractors, or
5 trailers that ~~which~~ are not for hire and engaged in soil and water
6 conservation work and used for the purpose of transporting pipe and
7 equipment exclusively used by such contractors for soil and water
8 conservation construction license plates issued pursuant to section
9 60-3,149; and

10 ~~(60)~~ ~~Utility trailer license plates issued pursuant to section~~
11 ~~60-3,151;~~

12 ~~(43)~~ ~~(61)~~ Well-boring apparatus and well-servicing equipment license
13 plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,109. ~~;~~ and

14 ~~(62)~~ ~~Wildlife Conservation Plates issued pursuant to section~~
15 ~~60-3,238.~~

16 **Sec. 13.** Section 60-3,104.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
17 is amended to read:

18 60-3,104.01 ~~(1)(a)~~ ~~(1)~~ A person may apply for organizational
19 ~~specialty~~ license plates in lieu of regular license plates on an
20 application prescribed and provided by the department pursuant to section
21 60-3,104.02 for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, except for
22 motor vehicles or trailers registered under section 60-3,198.

23 ~~(b)~~ An applicant receiving an organizational ~~a specialty~~ license
24 plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or for a
25 commercial motor vehicle registered for a gross weight of five tons or
26 over shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the license plate.

27 ~~(c)~~ The department shall make forms available for such applications.
28 Each application for initial issuance or renewal of organizational
29 ~~specialty~~ license plates shall be accompanied by a fee of:

30 (i) Before October 1, 2025, seventy dollars; and ~~;~~

31 (ii) Beginning October 1, 2025, forty dollars.

1 (d) Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be remitted to
2 the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of
3 the fee for initial issuance and renewal of organizational specialty
4 license plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and forty
5 percent of the fee to the Highway Trust Fund.

6 (2)(a) When the department receives an application for
7 organizational specialty license plates, the department may deliver the
8 license plates and registration certificate to the applicant by United
9 States mail or to the county treasurer of the county ~~where in which~~
10 motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is registered and the delivery of
11 the license plates and registration certificate shall be made through a
12 secure process and system. ~~If Beginning on an implementation date~~
13 ~~designated by the director on or before January 1, 2022, if~~ delivery of
14 the license plates and registration certificate is made by the department
15 to the applicant, the department may charge a postage and handling fee in
16 an amount not more than necessary to recover the cost of postage and
17 handling for the specific items mailed to the registrant. The department
18 shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department
19 of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. The county treasurer or the department shall
20 issue organizational specialty license plates in lieu of a regular
21 license plate plates when the applicant complies with the other
22 provisions of law for registration of the motor vehicle, trailer, or
23 semitrailer. If organizational specialty license plates are lost, stolen,
24 or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued replacement license plates
25 pursuant to section 60-3,157.

26 (b) The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
27 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
28 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
29 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
30 of a temporary license sticker under this subdivision. The department
31 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county

1 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
2 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
3 temporary license stickers.

4 (3)(a) The owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer bearing
5 organizational specialty license plates may make application to the
6 county treasurer to have such organizational specialty license plates
7 transferred to a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer other than the
8 motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer for which such license plates were
9 originally purchased if such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is
10 owned by the owner of the organizational specialty license plates.

11 (b) The owner may have the unused portion of the organizational
12 ~~specialty~~ license plate fee credited to the other motor vehicle, trailer,
13 or semitrailer that ~~which~~ will bear the organizational specialty license
14 plates at the rate of eight and one-third percent per month for each full
15 month left in the registration period.

16 (c) Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of
17 three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be
18 remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor
19 Vehicles Cash Fund.

20 **Sec. 14.** Section 60-3,104.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
21 is amended to read:

22 60-3,104.02 (1) The department shall issue organizational specialty
23 license plates for any organization that ~~which~~ certifies that it meets
24 the requirements of this section. The department shall work with the
25 organization to design the license plates.

26 (2) The department shall make applications available pursuant to
27 section 60-3,104.01 for each type of organizational specialty license
28 plate when it is designed. The department shall not manufacture
29 organizational specialty license plates for an organization until the
30 department has received two hundred fifty prepaid applications for the
31 organizational specialty license plates designed for that organization.

1 The department may revoke the approval for an organizational
2 ~~organization's specialty~~ license plate if the total number of registered
3 vehicles that obtained such license plate is less than two hundred fifty
4 within three years after receiving approval.

5 (3) In order to have organizational ~~specialty~~ license plates
6 designed and manufactured, an organization shall furnish the department
7 with the following:

8 (a) A copy of its articles of incorporation and, if the organization
9 consists of a group of nonprofit corporations, a copy for each
10 organization;

11 (b) A copy of its charter or bylaws and, if the organization
12 consists of a group of nonprofit corporations, a copy for each
13 organization;

14 (c) Any Internal Revenue Service rulings of the organization's
15 nonprofit tax-exempt status and, if the organization consists of a group
16 of nonprofit corporations, a copy for each organization;

17 (d) A copy of a certificate of existence on file with the Secretary
18 of State under the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act;

19 (e) Two hundred fifty prepaid applications for the alphanumeric
20 organizational ~~specialty~~ license plates; and

21 (f) A completed application for the issuance of the license plates
22 on a form provided by the department certifying that the organization
23 meets the following requirements:

24 (i) The organization is a nonprofit corporation or a group of
25 nonprofit corporations with a common purpose;

26 (ii) The primary activity or purpose of the organization serves the
27 community, contributes to the welfare of others, and is not offensive or
28 discriminatory in its purpose, nature, activity, or name;

29 (iii) The name and purpose of the organization does not promote any
30 specific product or brand name that is on a product provided for sale;

31 (iv) The organization is authorized to use any name, logo, or

1 graphic design suggested for the design of the license plates;

2 (v) No infringement or violation of any property right will result
3 from such use of such name, logo, or graphic design; and

4 (vi) The organization will hold harmless the State of Nebraska and
5 its employees and agents for any liability that ~~which~~ may result from any
6 infringement or violation of a property right based on the use of such
7 name, logo, or graphic design.

8 (4)(a) One type of license plate under this section shall be
9 alphanumeric license plates. The department shall assign a designation up
10 to five characters and not use a county designation.

11 (b) One type of license plate under this section shall be
12 personalized message license plates. Such license plates shall be issued
13 subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message license
14 plates in section 60-3,118, except that a maximum of five characters may
15 be used. Personalized message organizational ~~specialty~~ license plates
16 under this section shall only be issued after the requirements of
17 subsection (3) of this section have been met.

18 (5) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to
19 carry out this section.

20 **Sec. 15.** Section 60-3,113, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
21 amended to read:

22 60-3,113 (1) The department shall, without the payment of any fee
23 except the taxes and fees required by sections 60-3,102, 60-3,185,
24 60-3,190, and 60-3,191, issue license plates for one motor vehicle not
25 used for hire and a license plate for one autocycle or motorcycle not
26 used for hire to:

27 (a) Any permanently handicapped or disabled person or his or her
28 parent, legal guardian, foster parent, or agent upon application and
29 proof of a permanent handicap or disability; or

30 (b) A trust that ~~which~~ owns the motor vehicle, autocycle, or
31 motorcycle if a designated beneficiary of the trust qualifies under

1 subdivision (a) of this subsection.

2 (2) An application and proof of disability in the form and with the
3 information required by section 60-3,113.02 shall be submitted before
4 such license plates are issued or reissued.

5 (3) ~~(2)~~ The license plate or plates shall carry the internationally
6 accepted wheelchair symbol, which symbol is a representation of a person
7 seated in a wheelchair surrounded by a border six units wide by seven
8 units high, and such other letters or numbers as the director prescribes.
9 Such license plate or plates shall be used by such person in lieu of any
10 other ~~the usual~~ license plate or plates.

11 (4) ~~(3)~~ The department shall compile and maintain a registry of the
12 names, addresses, and license numbers of all persons who obtain license
13 plates with the internationally accepted wheelchair symbol pursuant to
14 this section and sections 60-3,122.03, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,124, and
15 60-3,125 special license plates pursuant to this section and all persons
16 who obtain a handicapped or disabled parking permit.

17 **Sec. 16.** Section 60-3,122.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative
18 Supplement, 2024, is amended to read:

19 60-3,122.03 (1) The department shall design license plates to be
20 known as Military Honor Plates.

21 (2)(a) ~~(2)~~ The department shall create designs honoring persons who
22 have served or are serving in the United States Army, United States Army
23 Reserve, United States Navy, United States Navy Reserve, United States
24 Marine Corps, United States Marine Corps Reserve, United States Coast
25 Guard, United States Coast Guard Reserve, United States Air Force, United
26 States Air Force Reserve, United States Space Force, Air National Guard,
27 or Army National Guard.

28 (b) The department may begin issuing the license plates with the
29 design honoring persons who have served or are serving in the United
30 States Space Force on January 1, 2026.

31 (3) There shall be thirteen ~~twelve~~ such designs, one for each of

1 such armed forces reflecting its official emblem, official seal, or other
2 official image. The issuance of plates for each of such armed forces
3 shall be conditioned on the approval of the armed forces owning the
4 copyright to the official emblem, official seal, or other official image.

5 ~~(4)(a) (4)~~ The department shall create six ~~five~~ additional designs
6 honoring persons who are serving or have served in the armed forces of
7 the United States and who have been awarded the Afghanistan Campaign
8 Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal,
9 Southwest Asia Service Medal, ~~or~~ Vietnam Service Medal, or Inherent
10 Resolve Campaign Medal.

11 (b) A person may apply for license plates with the Inherent Resolve
12 Campaign Medal beginning on January 1, 2026.

13 (5) The department shall create the following additional designs
14 honoring persons who are serving or have served in the armed forces of
15 the United States and may begin issuing such license plates on January 1,
16 2026:

17 (a) One design that includes the word "veteran"; and

18 (b) One design that includes the word "veteran" and the
19 internationally accepted wheelchair symbol specified in section 60-3,113.

20 ~~(6)(a) (5)~~ A person may qualify for a Military Honor Plate by
21 registering with the Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section
22 80-414. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall verify the applicant's
23 eligibility for a plate created pursuant to this section by consulting
24 the registry established by the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

25 (b) To be eligible for the license plates described in subdivision
26 (5)(b) of this section, in addition to any other eligibility requirements
27 for such license plates under this section:

28 (i) An application and proof of disability in the form and with the
29 information required by section 60-3,113.02 shall be submitted before
30 issuance or reissuance of such license plates; and

31 (ii) The handicap or disability of the handicapped or disabled

1 person shall be certified as permanent.

2 (7) ~~(6)~~ The design shall be selected on the basis of limiting the
3 manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or equal to the
4 amount charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102. The
5 Department of Motor Vehicles shall make applications available for each
6 type of plate when it is designed. The department may adopt and
7 promulgate rules and regulations to carry out this section and section
8 60-3,122.04.

9 (8) ~~(7)~~ One type of Military Honor Plates shall be alphanumeric
10 plates. The department shall:

11 (a) Assign a designation up to five characters; and

12 (b) Not use a county designation.

13 (9) ~~(8)~~ One type of Military Honor Plates shall be personalized
14 message plates. Such plates shall be issued subject to the same
15 conditions specified for personalized message license plates in section
16 60-3,118, except that a maximum of five characters may be used.

17 (10) ~~(9)~~ The department shall cease to issue Military Honor Plates
18 beginning with the next license plate issuance cycle after the license
19 plate issuance cycle that begins in 2023 pursuant to section 60-3,101 if
20 the total number of registered vehicles that obtained such plates is less
21 than one ~~five~~ hundred per year within any prior consecutive two-year
22 period.

23 **Sec. 17.** Section 60-3,122.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
24 is amended to read:

25 60-3,122.04 (1)(a) ~~(1)~~ An eligible person may apply to the
26 department for Military Honor Plates in lieu of regular license plates on
27 an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor
28 vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, except for a motor vehicle or trailer
29 registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving a Military
30 Honor Plate for a farm truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons
31 shall affix the appropriate tonnage decal to the plate.

1 **(b)** The department shall make forms available for such applications
2 through the county treasurers.

3 **(c)** The license plates shall be issued upon payment of the license
4 fee described in subsection (2) of this section and verification by the
5 department of an applicant's eligibility using the registry established
6 by the Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section 80-414. To be
7 eligible an applicant shall be:

8 **(i)** **Active** ~~(a) active~~ duty or reserve duty armed forces personnel
9 serving in any of the armed forces listed in subsection (2) of section
10 60-3,122.03 or ~~, (b)~~ a veteran of any of such armed forces who was
11 discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or
12 general (under honorable conditions);

13 **(ii)** ~~A, (c)~~ a current or former commissioned officer of the United
14 States Public Health Service or National Oceanic and Atmospheric
15 Administration who has been detailed directly to any branch of such armed
16 forces for service on active or reserve duty and who was discharged or
17 otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general
18 (under honorable conditions) as proven with valid orders from the United
19 States Department of Defense, a statement of service provided by the
20 United States Public Health Service, or a report of transfer or discharge
21 provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration;

22 **(iii)** ~~A, or (d)~~ a person who is serving or has served in the armed
23 forces of the United States and who has been awarded the Afghanistan
24 Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism
25 Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, ~~or~~ Vietnam Service
26 Medal, or Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal; ~~-~~

27 **(iv)** For the license plate described in subdivision (5)(a) of
28 section 60-3,122.03, a person who is serving or has served in the armed
29 forces of the United States;

30 **(v)** For the license plate described in subdivision (5)(b) of section
31 60-3,122.03, a person who is serving or has served in the armed forces of

1 the United States and is permanently handicapped or disabled; or
2 (vi) Beginning January 1, 2026, a trust that owns the motor vehicle,
3 trailer, or semitrailer if a designated beneficiary of the trust
4 qualifies under this subdivision (1)(c).

5 (d) Any person using Military Honor Plates shall surrender the
6 plates to the county treasurer if such person is no longer eligible for
7 the plates. Regular plates shall be issued to any such person upon
8 surrender of the Military Honor Plates for a three-dollar transfer fee
9 and forfeiture of any of the remaining annual fee. The three-dollar
10 transfer fee shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the
11 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

12 (2)(a) In addition to all other fees required for registration under
13 the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance
14 or renewal of alphanumeric Military Honor Plates shall be accompanied by
15 a fee of five dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this
16 subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer
17 shall credit five dollars of the fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery
18 System Operation Fund.

19 (b) In addition to all other fees required for registration under
20 the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance
21 or renewal of personalized message Military Honor Plates shall be
22 accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers collecting fees
23 pursuant to this subdivision shall remit them to the State Treasurer. The
24 State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of the fee for initial
25 issuance and renewal of such plates to the Department of Motor Vehicles
26 Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the Nebraska Veteran
27 Cemetery System Operation Fund.

28 (3)(a) When the department receives an application for Military
29 Honor Plates, the department may deliver the plates and registration
30 certificate to the applicant by United States mail or to the county
31 treasurer of the county in which the motor vehicle or trailer is

1 registered and the delivery of the plates and registration certificate
2 shall be made through a secure process and system. ~~If Beginning on an~~
3 ~~implementation date designated by the director on or before January 1,~~
4 ~~2022,~~ if delivery of the plates and registration certificate is made by
5 the department to the applicant, the department may charge a postage and
6 handling fee in an amount not more than necessary to recover the cost of
7 postage and handling for the specific items mailed to the registrant. The
8 department shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer for credit to the
9 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. The county treasurer or the
10 department shall issue Military Honor Plates in lieu of regular license
11 plates when the applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor
12 Vehicle Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle or
13 trailer. If Military Honor Plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the
14 licensee shall be issued replacement license plates upon request pursuant
15 to section 60-3,157.

16 (b) The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
17 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
18 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
19 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
20 of a temporary license sticker under this subdivision. The department
21 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county
22 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
23 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
24 temporary license stickers.

25 (4) The owner of a motor vehicle or trailer bearing Military Honor
26 Plates may apply to the county treasurer to have such plates transferred
27 to a motor vehicle or trailer other than the motor vehicle or trailer for
28 which such plates were originally purchased if such motor vehicle or
29 trailer is owned by the owner of the plates. The owner may have the
30 unused portion of the fee for the plates credited to the other motor
31 vehicle or trailer which will bear the plates at the rate of eight and

1 one-third percent per month for each full month left in the registration
2 period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied by a fee of
3 three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection shall be
4 remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of Motor
5 Vehicles Cash Fund.

6 (5) If the cost of manufacturing Military Honor Plates at any time
7 exceeds the amount charged for license plates pursuant to section
8 60-3,102, any money to be credited to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery
9 System Operation Fund shall instead be credited first to the Highway
10 Trust Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing
11 costs of Military Honor Plates and the amount charged pursuant to section
12 60-3,102 with respect to such plates and the remainder shall be credited
13 to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.

14 (6) If the director discovers evidence of fraud in an application
15 for Military Honor Plates or that the holder is no longer eligible to
16 have Military Honor Plates, the director may summarily cancel the plates
17 and registration and send notice of the cancellation to the holder of the
18 license plates.

19 **Sec. 18.** Section 60-3,123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
20 2024, is amended to read:

21 60-3,123 (1) Any person who was captured and incarcerated by an
22 enemy of the United States during a period of conflict with such enemy
23 and who was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of
24 honorable from or is currently serving in the United States Armed Forces
25 may, in addition to the application required in section 60-385, apply to
26 the department for license plates designed to indicate that he or she is
27 a former prisoner of war.

28 (2) In order to be eligible for license plates under this section, a
29 person shall register with the Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant
30 to section 80-414. The license plates shall be issued upon the applicant
31 ~~paying the license plate fee as provided in subsection (3) of this~~

1 ~~section~~ and verification by the Department of Motor Vehicles of an
2 applicant's eligibility using the registry established by the Department
3 of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section 80-414. Any number of motor
4 vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers owned by the applicant may be so
5 licensed at any one time. Motor vehicles and trailers registered under
6 section 60-3,198 shall not be so licensed.

7 (3) No license plate fee shall be required for license plates under
8 this section.

9 (4) If the license plates issued under this section are lost,
10 stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the license plates shall be issued
11 replacement license plates upon request and without charge.

12 (5) License plates issued under this section shall not require the
13 payment of any additional license plate fees and shall be permanently
14 attached to the vehicle to which the plates are registered as long as the
15 vehicle is properly registered by the applicant annually.

16 (6) The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
17 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
18 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
19 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
20 of a temporary license sticker under this subsection. The department
21 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county
22 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
23 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
24 temporary license stickers.

25 **Sec. 19.** Section 60-3,124, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
26 2024, is amended to read:

27 60-3,124 (1)(a)(i) Before January 1, 2026, any ~~(1) Any~~ person who is
28 a veteran of the United States Armed Forces, who was discharged or
29 otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general
30 (under honorable conditions), and who is classified by the United States
31 Department of Veterans Affairs as at least ten ~~one hundred~~ percent

1 service-connected disabled may, in addition to the application required
2 in section 60-385, apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for license
3 plates designed by the department to indicate that the applicant is a
4 disabled veteran. The inscription on the license plates shall be D.A.V.
5 immediately below the license plate number to indicate that the holder of
6 the license plates is a disabled veteran.

7 (ii) Beginning on January 1, 2026, when renewing the registration
8 for a license plate described in subdivision (1)(a)(i) of this section,
9 the department shall issue the license plates described in subdivision
10 (1)(b)(i) of this section along with any required validation decals. The
11 license plates described in subdivision (1)(a)(i) of this section shall
12 not be valid for use on any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer
13 beginning on February 1, 2027.

14 (b) Beginning on January 1, 2026, any person who is a veteran of the
15 United States Armed Forces, who was discharged or otherwise separated
16 with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable
17 conditions), and who is classified by the United States Department of
18 Veterans Affairs as at least ten percent service-connected disabled may,
19 in addition to the application required in section 60-385, apply to the
20 Department of Motor Vehicles for disabled veteran license plates designed
21 by the department:

22 (i) With the words "disabled veteran" immediately below the license
23 plate number; or

24 (ii) With the words "disabled veteran" immediately below the license
25 plate number and also carrying the internationally accepted wheelchair
26 symbol specified in section 60-3,113.

27 (c) Beginning January 1, 2026, a trust that owns a motor vehicle,
28 trailer, or semitrailer may apply for the license plates described in
29 subdivision (1)(b)(i) or (ii) of this section if a designated beneficiary
30 of the trust qualifies for such license plates.

31 (2)(a) To (2) In order to be eligible for license plates under this

1 section, a person shall register with the Department of Veterans' Affairs
2 pursuant to section 80-414. ~~The plates shall be issued upon the applicant~~
3 ~~paying the license plate fee as provided in subsection (3) of this~~
4 ~~section and verification by the Department of Motor Vehicles shall verify~~
5 ~~of an applicant's eligibility using the registry established by the~~
6 Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section 80-414 prior to
7 issuing any license plates under this section.

8 (b) To be eligible for the license plates described in subdivision
9 (1)(b)(ii) of this section, in addition to any other eligibility
10 requirements for such license plates under this section:

11 (i) An application and proof of disability in the form and with the
12 information required by section 60-3,113.02 shall be submitted before
13 issuance or reissuance of such license plates; and

14 (ii) The handicap or disability of the handicapped or disabled
15 person shall be certified as permanent.

16 (c) Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers owned by
17 the applicant may be so licensed under this section at any one time.
18 Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198 shall not
19 be so licensed.

20 (3)(a) One type of disabled veteran license plates shall be
21 alphanumeric plates. No license plate fee shall be required for such
22 license plates. The department shall:

23 (i) Assign a designation up to five characters; and

24 (ii) Not use a county designation.

25 (b)(i) Beginning January 1, 2026, one type of disabled veteran
26 license plates shall be personalized message license plates. Such license
27 plates shall be issued subject to the same conditions specified for
28 personalized message license plates in section 60-3,118, except that a
29 maximum of five characters may be used.

30 (ii) Each application for initial issuance of personalized message
31 disabled veteran license plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty

1 dollars. An application for renewal of such license plates shall be
2 accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. Fees collected under this
3 subdivision (3)(b)(ii) shall be remitted to the State Treasurer. The
4 State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of such fee to the
5 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of such
6 fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.

7 (iii) No license plate fee under section 60-3,102 shall be required
8 for personalized message disabled veteran license plates issued under
9 this section, other than the fee provided for in subdivision (3)(b)(ii)
10 of this section.

11 ~~(3) No license plate fee shall be required for license plates under~~
12 ~~this section.~~

13 (4) If the license plates issued under this section are lost,
14 stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued
15 replacement license plates as provided in section 60-3,157.

16 (5) License plates issued under this section shall not require the
17 payment of any additional license plate fees and shall be permanently
18 attached to the vehicle to which the plates are registered as long as the
19 vehicle is properly registered by the applicant annually.

20 (6) The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
21 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
22 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
23 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
24 of a temporary license sticker under this subsection. The department
25 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county
26 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
27 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
28 temporary license stickers.

29 **Sec. 20.** Section 60-3,125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
30 2024, is amended to read:

31 60-3,125 (1)(a)(i) ~~(1)~~ Any person may, in addition to the

1 application required by section 60-385, apply to the department for
2 license plates designed by the department to indicate that the applicant
3 has received from the federal government an award of a Purple Heart. The
4 inscription of the plates shall be designed so as to include a facsimile
5 of the award and beneath any numerical designation upon the plates
6 pursuant to section 60-370 the words Purple Heart separately on one line
7 and the words Combat Wounded on the line below.

8 (ii)(A) One type of Purple Heart license plates shall be
9 alphanumeric plates. No license plate fee shall be required for such
10 license plates. The department shall:

11 (I) Assign a designation up to five characters; and

12 (II) Not use a county designation.

13 (B)(I) One type of Purple Heart license plates shall be personalized
14 message license plates. Such license plates shall be issued subject to
15 the same conditions specified for personalized message license plates in
16 section 60-3,118, except that a maximum of five characters may be used.

17 (II) Each application for initial issuance of personalized message
18 Purple Heart license plates shall be accompanied by a fee of forty
19 dollars. An application for renewal of such license plates shall be
20 accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. Fees collected under this
21 subdivision (1)(a)(ii)(B)(II) shall be remitted to the State Treasurer.
22 The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of such fee to the
23 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of such
24 fee to the Nebraska Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.

25 (III) No license plate fee under section 60-3,102 shall be required
26 for personalized message Purple Heart license plates issued under this
27 section, other than the fee provided for in subdivision (1)(a)(ii)(B)(II)
28 of this section.

29 (b)(i) Beginning January 1, 2026, any person may, in addition to the
30 application required by section 60-385, apply to the department for
31 license plates designed by the department to indicate that the applicant

1 has received from the federal government an award of a Purple Heart. The
2 inscription of the plates shall be designed so as to include a facsimile
3 of the award and beneath any numerical designation upon the plates
4 pursuant to section 60-370 the words Purple Heart separately on one line
5 and the words Combat Wounded on the line below. Such license plates shall
6 also carry the internationally accepted wheelchair symbol specified in
7 section 60-3,113.

8 (ii)(A) One type of Purple Heart license plates that carry the
9 internationally accepted wheelchair symbol shall be alphanumeric plates.
10 No license plate fee shall be required for such license plates. The
11 department shall:

12 (I) Assign a designation up to three characters; and

13 (II) Not use a county designation.

14 (B)(I) Beginning January 1, 2026, one type of Purple Heart license
15 plates that carry the internationally accepted wheelchair symbol shall be
16 personalized message license plates. Such license plates shall be issued
17 subject to the same conditions specified for personalized message license
18 plates in section 60-3,118, except that a maximum of three characters may
19 be used.

20 (II) Each application for initial issuance of personalized message
21 Purple Heart license plates that carry the internationally accepted
22 wheelchair symbol shall be accompanied by a fee of forty dollars. An
23 application for renewal of such license plates shall be accompanied by a
24 fee of forty dollars. Fees collected under this subdivision (1)(b)(ii)(B)
25 (II) shall be remitted to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall
26 credit twenty-five percent of such fee to the Department of Motor
27 Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of such fee to the Nebraska
28 Veteran Cemetery System Operation Fund.

29 (III) No license plate fee under section 60-3,102 shall be required
30 for personalized message Purple Heart license plates issued under this
31 section, other than the fee provided for in subdivision (1)(b)(ii)(B)(II)

1 of this section.

2 (c) Beginning January 1, 2026, a trust that owns a motor vehicle,
3 trailer, or semitrailer may apply for the license plates described in
4 subdivision (1)(a) or (b) of this section if a designated beneficiary of
5 the trust qualifies for such license plates.

6 ~~(2)(a) To (2)~~ In order to be eligible for license plates under this
7 section, a person shall register with the Department of Veterans' Affairs
8 pursuant to section 80-414. The license plates shall be issued upon
9 payment of the license plate fee as provided in subsection (3) of this
10 section and verification by the Department of Motor Vehicles shall verify
11 of an applicant's eligibility using the registry established by the
12 Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to section 80-414 prior to
13 issuing any license plates under this section.

14 (b) To be eligible for the license plates described in subdivision
15 (1)(b) of this section, in addition to any other eligibility requirements
16 for such license plates under this section:

17 (i) An application and proof of disability in the form and with the
18 information required by section 60-3,113.02 shall be submitted before
19 issuance or reissuance of such license plates; and

20 (ii) The handicap or disability of the handicapped or disabled
21 person shall be certified as permanent.

22 (c) Any number of motor vehicles, trailers, or semitrailers owned by
23 the applicant may be so licensed under this section at any one time.
24 Motor vehicles and trailers registered under section 60-3,198 shall not
25 be so licensed.

26 ~~(3) No license plate fee shall be required for license plates under~~
27 ~~this section.~~

28 ~~(3) (4)~~ If license plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,
29 stolen, or mutilated, the recipient of the plates shall be issued
30 replacement license plates upon request and without charge.

31 ~~(4) (5)~~ License plates issued under this section shall not require

1 the payment of any additional license plate fees and shall be permanently
2 attached to the vehicle to which the plates are registered as long as the
3 vehicle is properly registered by the applicant annually.

4 ~~(5) (6)~~ The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
5 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
6 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
7 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
8 of a temporary license sticker under this subsection. The department
9 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county
10 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
11 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
12 temporary license stickers.

13 **Sec. 21.** Section 60-3,130.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative
14 Supplement, 2024, is amended to read:

15 60-3,130.04 (1) An owner of a historical vehicle eligible for
16 registration under section 60-3,130 may use a license plate or plates
17 designed by this state in the year corresponding to the model year when
18 the vehicle was manufactured in lieu of the license plates designed
19 pursuant to section 60-3,130.03 subject to the approval of the
20 department. The department shall inspect the license plate or plates and
21 may approve the license plate or plates if it is determined that the
22 model-year license plate or plates are legible and serviceable and that
23 the license plate numbers do not conflict with or duplicate other numbers
24 assigned and in use. An original-issued license plate or plates that have
25 been restored to original condition may be used when approved by the
26 department.

27 (2) The department may consult with a recognized car club in
28 determining whether the year of the license plate or plates to be used
29 corresponds to the model year when the vehicle was manufactured.

30 (3) If only one license plate is used on the vehicle, the license
31 plate shall be placed on the rear of the vehicle. The owner of a

1 historical vehicle may use only one plate on the vehicle even for years
2 in which two license plates were issued for vehicles in general.

3 (4) License plates used pursuant to this section corresponding to
4 the year of manufacture of the vehicle shall not be personalized message
5 license plates, Pearl Harbor license plates, prisoner-of-war license
6 plates, disabled veteran license plates, Purple Heart license plates,
7 amateur radio station license plates, ~~Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates,~~
8 ~~Nebraska History Plates,~~ handicapped or disabled person license plates,
9 organizational specialty license plates, special interest motor vehicle
10 license plates, Military Honor Plates, or alternate license plates
11 ~~Nebraska 150 Sesquicentennial Plates, Breast Cancer Awareness Plates,~~
12 ~~Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates, Mountain Lion Conservation Plates,~~
13 ~~Choose Life License Plates, Czech Heritage Plates, Donate Life Plates,~~
14 ~~Down Syndrome Awareness Plates, Native American Cultural Awareness and~~
15 ~~History Plates, Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer~~
16 ~~awareness, Wildlife Conservation Plates, Pets for Vets Plates, Support~~
17 ~~the Arts Plates, Support Our Troops Plates, The Good Life Is Outside~~
18 ~~Plates, or Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates.~~

19 **Sec. 22.** Section 60-3,151, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
20 amended to read:

21 60-3,151 (1) The department shall issue the following types of
22 trailer license plates:

23 (a) License plates for commercial trailers or semitrailers. ~~(1)~~ For
24 the registration of any commercial trailer or semitrailer, the fee shall
25 be one dollar; -

26 (b) License plates for utility trailers. ~~(2)~~ The fee for utility
27 trailers shall be one dollar for each one thousand pounds gross vehicle
28 weight or fraction thereof, up to and including nine thousand pounds.
29 Utility trailer license plates shall display, in addition to the
30 registration number, the letter X. Trailers other than farm trailers of
31 more than nine thousand pounds must be registered as commercial

1 trailers; -

2 (c) License plates for cabin trailers. ~~(3)~~ The fee for cabin
3 trailers having a gross vehicle weight of:

4 (i) One ~~one~~ thousand pounds or less shall be nine dollars;

5 (ii) More ~~and more~~ than one thousand pounds - but less than two
6 thousand pounds - shall be twelve dollars; and

7 (iii) Two - ~~Cabin trailers having a gross vehicle weight of two~~
8 ~~thousand pounds or more shall be registered for a fee of fifteen~~
9 ~~dollars; -~~

10 ~~(4) Recreational vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of eight~~
11 ~~thousand pounds or less shall be registered for a fee of eighteen~~
12 ~~dollars, those having a gross vehicle weight of more than eight thousand~~
13 ~~pounds but less than twelve thousand pounds shall be registered for~~
14 ~~thirty dollars, and those having a gross vehicle weight of twelve~~
15 ~~thousand pounds or over shall be registered for forty-two dollars. When~~
16 ~~living quarters are added to a registered truck, a recreational vehicle~~
17 ~~registration may be obtained without surrender of the truck registration,~~
18 ~~in which event both the truck and recreational vehicle license plates~~
19 ~~shall be displayed on the vehicle. Recreational vehicle license plates~~
20 ~~shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license~~
21 ~~plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100.~~

22 (d) License plates for farm trailers. ~~(5)~~ Farm trailers shall be
23 licensed for a fee of one dollar, except that when a farm trailer is used
24 with a registered farm truck, such farm trailer may, at the option of the
25 owner, be registered as a separate unit for a fee of three dollars per
26 ton gross vehicle weight and, if so registered, shall not be considered a
27 truck and trailer combination for purposes of sections 60-3,145 and
28 60-3,146. Farm trailer license plates shall display, in addition to the
29 registration number, the letter X; -

30 (e) License plates for fertilizer trailers other than commercial
31 fertilizer trailers. ~~(6)~~ Fertilizer trailers shall be registered for a

1 fee of one dollar. Fertilizer trailer license plates shall display, in
2 addition to the registration number, the letter X; -

3 (f) License plates for trailers used to haul poles and cable reels.
4 ~~(7)~~ Trailers used to haul poles and cable reels owned and operated
5 exclusively by public utility companies shall be licensed at a fee based
6 on two dollars for each one-thousand-pound load to be hauled or any
7 fraction thereof, and such load shall not exceed sixteen thousand pounds;
8 and -

9 (g) License plates for commercial fertilizer trailers. Commercial
10 fertilizer trailers shall be registered for a fee of one dollar.
11 Commercial fertilizer trailer license plates shall display, in addition
12 to the registration number, the letter X. Any license plate issued
13 pursuant to this subdivision (g) shall remain affixed to the rear of the
14 trailer as long as the commercial fertilizer trailer is registered
15 pursuant to this section by the owner or lessor making the original
16 application pursuant to section 60-385. This subdivision (g) applies
17 beginning January 1, 2026.

18 (2) Recreational vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of eight
19 thousand pounds or less shall be registered for a fee of eighteen
20 dollars, those having a gross vehicle weight of more than eight thousand
21 pounds but less than twelve thousand pounds shall be registered for
22 thirty dollars, and those having a gross vehicle weight of twelve
23 thousand pounds or over shall be registered for forty-two dollars. When
24 living quarters are added to a registered truck, a recreational vehicle
25 registration may be obtained without surrender of the truck registration,
26 in which event both the truck and recreational vehicle license plates
27 shall be displayed on the vehicle. Recreational vehicle license plates
28 shall be the same size and of the same basic design as regular license
29 plates issued pursuant to section 60-3,100.

30 **Sec. 23.** Section 60-3,253, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
31 2024, is amended to read:

1 ~~60-3,253~~ (1) Unless otherwise specified in section 25 of this act,
2 the provisions of this section apply to alternate license plates.

3 (2) ~~(1)~~ The department shall design license plates to be known as
4 alternate license plates ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~. The design
5 specifications of each type of alternate license plate are indicated in
6 section 25 of this act shall reflect the importance of safe walking and
7 biking in Nebraska and the value of our recreational trails. The design
8 for each type of alternate license plate shall be selected on the basis
9 of limiting the manufacturing cost of each license plate to an amount
10 less than or equal to the amount charged for license plates pursuant to
11 section 60-3,102.

12 (3) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to
13 carry out this section and sections 24 and 25 of this act ~~section~~
14 ~~60-3,254~~.

15 (4)(a) Each ~~(2)~~ One type of alternate license plate ~~The Good Life Is~~
16 ~~Outside Plates~~ shall be issued as either an alphanumeric alternate
17 license plate or a personalized message alternate license plate ~~plates~~.

18 (b) For an alphanumeric alternate license plate, the ~~The~~ department
19 shall:

20 (i) ~~(a)~~ Assign a designation up to five characters; and

21 (ii) ~~(b)~~ Not use a county designation.

22 (c) Personalized message alternate license plates ~~(3) One type of~~
23 ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates shall be personalized message plates.~~
24 Such plates shall be issued subject to the same conditions specified for
25 personalized message license plates in section 60-3,118, except that a
26 maximum of five characters may be used.

27 (5) ~~(4)~~ The department shall cease to issue a type of alternate
28 license plate listed in section 25 of this act ~~The Good Life Is Outside~~
29 ~~Plates~~ beginning with the next license plate issuance cycle after the
30 license plate issuance cycle that begins in 2023 pursuant to section
31 60-3,101 after the first year that such type of alternate license plate

1 was issued by the department if the total number of registered vehicles
2 that obtained such type of alternate license plate plates is less than
3 five hundred per year within any prior consecutive two-year period.

4 **Sec. 24.** Section 60-3,254, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
5 amended to read:

6 ~~60-3,254~~ (1) Unless otherwise specified in section 25 of this act,
7 the provisions of this section apply to alternate license plates.

8 (2) (1) A person may apply to the department for alternate license
9 plates ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~ in lieu of regular license plates
10 on an application prescribed and provided by the department for any motor
11 vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, except for a motor vehicle, trailer, or
12 semitrailer registered under section 60-3,198. An applicant receiving
13 alternate license plates ~~a The Good Life Is Outside Plate~~ for a farm
14 truck with a gross weight of over sixteen tons or for a commercial motor
15 vehicle registered for a gross weight of five tons or over shall affix
16 the appropriate tonnage decal to the license plate. The department shall
17 make forms available for such applications through the county treasurers.
18 The alternate license plates shall be issued upon payment of the
19 alternate license plate fee described in subsection (3) (2) of this
20 section.

21 (3)(a) (2)(a) In addition to all other fees required for
22 registration under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application
23 for initial issuance or renewal of alphanumeric alternate license plates
24 ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~ shall be accompanied by a fee of five
25 dollars. County treasurers collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision
26 shall remit such fees to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall
27 credit five dollars of the fee to the designated recipient of the
28 alternate license plate fee pursuant to section 25 of this act ~~Game and~~
29 ~~Parks State Park Improvement and Maintenance Fund for the purpose of~~
30 ~~trail improvement and maintenance.~~

31 (b) In addition to all other fees required for registration under

1 the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, each application for initial issuance
2 or renewal of personalized message alternate license plates ~~The Good Life~~
3 ~~Is Outside Plates~~ shall be accompanied by the personalized message
4 alternate license plate a fee of forty dollars. County treasurers
5 collecting fees pursuant to this subdivision shall remit such fees to the
6 State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit twenty-five percent of
7 the fee ~~for initial issuance and renewal of such plates~~ to the Department
8 of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of the fee to the
9 designated recipient of the alternate license plate fee pursuant to
10 section 25 of this act ~~Game and Parks State Park Improvement and~~
11 ~~Maintenance Fund for the purpose of trail improvement and maintenance.~~

12 (4) (3) When the department receives an application for alternate
13 license plates ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~, the department may
14 deliver the license plates and registration certificate to the applicant
15 by United States mail or to the county treasurer of the county where in
16 ~~which~~ the motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is registered and the
17 delivery of the license plates and registration certificate shall be made
18 through a secure process and system. ~~If Beginning on an implementation~~
19 ~~date designated by the director on or before January 1, 2022, if delivery~~
20 of the license plates and registration certificate is made by the
21 department to the applicant, the department may charge a postage and
22 handling fee in an amount not more than necessary to recover the cost of
23 postage and handling for the specific items mailed to the registrant. The
24 department shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer for credit to the
25 Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. The county treasurer or the
26 department shall issue the specified alternate license plates ~~The Good~~
27 ~~Life Is Outside Plates~~ in lieu of regular license plates when the
28 applicant complies with the other provisions of the Motor Vehicle
29 Registration Act for registration of the motor vehicle, trailer, or
30 semitrailer. If an alternate license plate is ~~The Good Life Is Outside~~
31 ~~Plates~~ are lost, stolen, or mutilated, the licensee shall be issued a

1 replacement license plate ~~plates~~ upon request pursuant to section
2 60-3,157.

3 (5) (4) The county treasurer or the department may issue temporary
4 license stickers to the applicant under this section for the applicant to
5 lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the license plates. No
6 charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance
7 of a temporary license sticker under this subsection. The department
8 shall furnish temporary license stickers for issuance by the county
9 treasurer at no cost to the counties. The department may adopt and
10 promulgate rules and regulations regarding the design and issuance of
11 temporary license stickers.

12 (6) (5) The owner of a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer
13 bearing alternate license plates ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~ may
14 apply to the county treasurer to have such license plates transferred to
15 a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer other than the motor vehicle,
16 trailer, or semitrailer for which such license plates were originally
17 purchased if such motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer is owned by the
18 owner of the license plates. The owner may have the unused portion of the
19 fee for the license plates credited to the other motor vehicle, trailer,
20 or semitrailer ~~that~~ ~~which~~ will bear the license plates at the rate of
21 eight and one-third percent per month for each full month left in the
22 registration period. Application for such transfer shall be accompanied
23 by a fee of three dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subsection
24 shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Department of
25 Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

26 (7) (6) If the cost of manufacturing a type of alternate license
27 plate ~~The Good Life Is Outside Plates~~ at any time exceeds the amount
28 charged for license plates pursuant to section 60-3,102, any money to be
29 credited to the designated recipient of the alternate license plate fee
30 pursuant to section 25 of this act ~~Game and Parks State Park Improvement~~
31 ~~and Maintenance Fund~~ shall instead be credited first to the Highway Trust

1 Fund in an amount equal to the difference between the manufacturing cost
2 of such type of alternate license plate costs of The Good Life Is Outside
3 Plates and the amount charged pursuant to section 60-3,102 with respect
4 to such license plates and the remainder shall be credited to the
5 designated recipient of the alternate license plate fee pursuant to
6 section 25 of this act Game and Parks State Park Improvement and
7 Maintenance Fund for the purpose of trail improvement and maintenance.

8 **Sec. 25.** The department shall issue the following types of
9 alternate license plates pursuant to this section, section 60-3,104, and
10 sections 23 and 24 of this act:

11 (1) Arbor Day Plates. The department shall design such license
12 plates in consultation with the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum and a
13 nonprofit organization holding a certificate of exemption under section
14 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code with a mission to inspire people
15 to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. The design of such plates shall
16 represent the history and importance of Arbor Day in Nebraska. The
17 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Arbor Day
18 Plates is the Home of Arbor Day Plate Cash Fund. A person may apply for
19 Arbor Day Plates beginning on January 1, 2026;

20 (2) Breast Cancer Awareness Plates. The department shall design such
21 license plates to include a pink ribbon and the words "early detection
22 saves lives" along the bottom of the license plate. The designated
23 recipient for alternate license plate fees for Breast Cancer Awareness
24 Plates is the University of Nebraska Medical Center for the breast cancer
25 navigator program;

26 (3) Choose Life License Plates. The department shall design such
27 license plates to reflect support for the protection of Nebraska's
28 children. The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
29 Choose Life License Plates is the Health and Human Services Cash Fund to
30 supplement federal funds available to the Department of Health and Human
31 Services for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, 42

1 U.S.C. 601 et seq.;

2 (4) Czech Heritage Plates. The department, in consultation with the
3 Czech Honorary Consul of Nebraska, shall design such license plates to
4 reflect Czech heritage in Nebraska. The designated recipient for
5 alternate license plate fees for Czech Heritage Plates is the Department
6 of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund;

7 (5) Donate Life Plates. The department shall design such license
8 plates to reflect support for organ and tissue donation, registration as
9 a donor on the Donor Registry of Nebraska, and the federally designated
10 organ procurement organization for Nebraska. The designated recipient for
11 alternate license plate fees for Donate Life Plates is the Organ and
12 Tissue Donor Awareness and Education Fund;

13 (6) Down Syndrome Awareness Plates. The department shall design such
14 license plates to include the words "Down syndrome awareness" inside a
15 heart-shaped yellow and blue ribbon. The designated recipient for
16 alternate license plate fees for Down Syndrome Awareness Plates is the
17 University of Nebraska Medical Center for the Down Syndrome Clinic;

18 (7) Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates. The department shall
19 design such license plates to include a blue background with the head of
20 an otter surfacing above water surrounded by the words "Josh the Otter-Be
21 Safe Around Water". The designated recipient for alternate license plate
22 fees for Josh the Otter-Be Safe Around Water Plates is the Josh the
23 Otter-Be Safe Around Water Cash Fund;

24 (8) Mountain Lion Conservation Plates. The department shall design
25 such license plates to reflect support for the conservation of the
26 mountain lion population. The designated recipient for alternate license
27 plate fees for Mountain Lion Conservation Plates is the Game and Parks
28 Commission Educational Fund;

29 (9) Native American Cultural Awareness and History Plates. The
30 department, in consultation with the Commission on Indian Affairs, shall
31 design license plates that reflect the unique culture and history of

1 Native American tribes historically and currently located in Nebraska.
2 The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Native
3 American Cultural Awareness and History Plates is the Native American
4 Scholarship and Leadership Fund;

5 (10)(a) Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates. The department shall
6 design such license plates to (i) include the word "Cornhuskers" or
7 "Huskers" prominently in the design, (ii) use scarlet and cream colors in
8 the design or such other similar colors as the department determines to
9 best represent the official team colors of the University of Nebraska
10 Cornhuskers athletic programs and to provide suitable reflection and
11 contrast, (iii) use cream or a similar color for the background of the
12 design and scarlet or a similar color for the printing, and (iv) create a
13 design reflecting support for the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers
14 athletic programs in consultation with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
15 Athletic Department.

16 (b) Alphanumeric Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall (i) be
17 consecutively numbered beginning with the number one and use numbers that
18 are a size that maximizes legibility, and (ii) not use a county
19 designation or any characters other than numbers on the spirit plates.

20 (c) Personalized message Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall be
21 issued subject to the same conditions specified for message license
22 plates in subsection (2) of section 60-3,118. The characters used shall
23 consist only of letters, numerals, or a combination of letters and
24 numerals of the same size and design specified in section 60-3,100. A
25 maximum of seven characters may be used.

26 (d) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of Nebraska
27 Cornhusker Spirit Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of seventy
28 dollars. Fees collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be remitted to
29 the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall credit sixty percent of
30 the fee to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and forty percent
31 of the fee to the designated recipient for alternate license plate fees.

1 (e) The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
2 Nebraska Cornhusker Spirit Plates is the Highway Trust Fund;

3 (11) Nebraska History Plates. The department shall design such
4 license plates in consultation with the Nebraska State Historical Society
5 to reflect the importance of historical preservation in Nebraska and the
6 value of our shared Nebraska history. The designated recipient for
7 alternate license plate fees for Nebraska History Plates is the Support
8 Nebraska History Cash Fund;

9 (12) Pets for Vets Plates. The department shall design such license
10 plates to support veterans and companion or therapy pet animals. The
11 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Pets for Vets
12 Plates is the Pets for Vets Cash Fund;

13 (13) Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates. The department shall design
14 such license plates to include a light blue ribbon and the words "early
15 detection saves lives" along the bottom of the license plate. The
16 designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Prostate Cancer
17 Awareness Plates is the University of Nebraska Medical Center for the
18 Nebraska Prostate Cancer Research Program;

19 (14) Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer
20 awareness. The department shall design such license plates to include a
21 blue handprint over a yellow ribbon and the words "childhood cancer
22 awareness". The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for
23 Sammy's Superheroes license plates for childhood cancer awareness is the
24 University of Nebraska Medical Center for pediatric cancer research;

25 (15) Support the Arts Plates. The department shall design such
26 license plates in consultation with the Nebraska Arts Council to reflect
27 support for the arts in Nebraska. The designated recipient for alternate
28 license plate fees for Support the Arts Plates is the Support the Arts
29 Cash Fund;

30 (16)(a) Support Our Troops Plates. The department shall design such
31 license plates to reflect support for troops from all branches of the

1 armed forces. The designated recipient for alternate license plate fees
2 for Support Our Troops Plates is the Veterans Employment Program Fund.

3 (b)(i) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of
4 alphanumeric Support Our Troops Plates shall be accompanied by a fee of
5 five dollars. The State Treasurer shall credit five dollars of the fee to
6 the designated recipient for alternate license plate fees for Support Our
7 Troops Plates.

8 (ii) Each application for initial issuance or renewal of
9 personalized message Support Our Troops Plates shall be accompanied by a
10 fee of seventy dollars. Twenty-five percent of such fee shall be credited
11 to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and seventy-five percent of
12 such fee shall be credited to the designated recipient for alternate
13 license plate fees for Support Our Troops Plates;

14 (17) The Good Life Is Outside Plates. The department shall design
15 such license plates to reflect the importance of safe walking and biking
16 in Nebraska and the value of our recreational trails. The designated
17 recipient for alternate license plate fees for The Good Life Is Outside
18 Plates is the Game and Parks State Park Improvement and Maintenance Fund
19 for the purpose of trail improvement and maintenance; and

20 (18) Wildlife Conservation Plates. The department shall create no
21 more than three designs for such license plates to reflect support for
22 the conservation of Nebraska wildlife, including sandhill cranes, bighorn
23 sheep, and ornate box turtles. The designated recipient for alternate
24 license plate fees for Wildlife Conservation Plates is the Wildlife
25 Conservation Fund.

26 **Sec. 26.** Section 60-495, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
27 amended to read:

28 60-495 (1) The director may adopt and promulgate such rules and
29 regulations necessary to carry out sections 60-493 to 60-495 and the
30 duties of the department under the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act.
31 The director shall prepare and furnish all forms and information

1 necessary under the act.

2 (2) The Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness and Education Fund is
3 created. Department personnel and the county treasurer shall remit all
4 funds contributed under sections 60-484, 60-4,144, and 60-4,181 to the
5 State Treasurer for credit to the fund. The fund shall also include any
6 money credited to the fund pursuant to section 25 of this act ~~60-3,246~~.
7 The Department of Health and Human Services shall administer the Organ
8 and Tissue Donor Awareness and Education Fund for the promotion of organ
9 and tissue donation. The department shall use the fund to assist
10 organizations such as the federally designated organ procurement
11 organization for Nebraska and the State Anatomical Board in carrying out
12 activities that ~~which~~ promote organ and tissue donation through the
13 creation and dissemination of educational information. Any money in the
14 fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment
15 officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska
16 State Funds Investment Act.

17 **Sec. 27.** Section 80-415, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
18 amended to read:

19 80-415 The Veterans Employment Program Fund is created. The fund
20 shall consist of money credited pursuant to section 25 of this act
21 ~~60-3,244~~ and any other money as appropriated by the Legislature. The fund
22 shall be administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, which shall
23 use the fund for recruiting and education to attract veterans recently
24 released from service to live and work in Nebraska, including the
25 development and implementation of a website as required by section
26 48-203. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
27 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital
28 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

29 **Sec. 28.** Section 80-416, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
30 amended to read:

31 80-416 The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall create a program

1 for the purpose of providing financial support to veterans for the costs
2 associated with adopting a pet animal. The department shall use the money
3 credited to the Pets for Vets Cash Fund under section 25 of this act
4 ~~60-3,250~~ to award grants to carry out the purposes of such program. The
5 department may administer the program or contract with an organization
6 dedicated to the care of dogs and cats to administer the program.

7 **Sec. 29.** Section 80-417, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
8 amended to read:

9 80-417 The Pets for Vets Cash Fund is created for the purpose of
10 administering the veteran grant program created under section 80-416. The
11 fund shall consist of money credited to the fund pursuant to section 25
12 of this act ~~60-3,250~~. Any money in the fund available for investment
13 shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the
14 Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment
15 Act.

16 **Sec. 30.** Section 81-2517, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
17 amended to read:

18 81-2517 The Native American Scholarship and Leadership Fund is
19 created. The fund shall be administered by the Commission on Indian
20 Affairs and shall consist of money credited to the fund pursuant to
21 section 25 of this act ~~60-3,235~~. The commission shall use the fund to
22 provide scholarships to Native Americans to attend a postsecondary
23 educational institution in this state and to provide other leadership
24 opportunities to Native Americans as determined by the commission. Any
25 money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
26 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
27 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

28 **Sec. 31.** Section 82-139, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
29 amended to read:

30 82-139 The Support Nebraska History Cash Fund is created. The fund
31 shall consist of money credited to the fund under section 25 of this act

1 ~~60-3,256~~ and any other gifts, bequests, grants, or other contributions or
2 donations to the fund from public or private entities. The Nebraska State
3 Historical Society shall administer and distribute the Support Nebraska
4 History Cash Fund. The fund shall be expended to promote the history of
5 Nebraska on the Internet, to support history education for children in
6 Nebraska, and for costs directly related to the administration of the
7 fund. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by
8 the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion
9 Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

10 **Sec. 32.** Section 82-334, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
11 amended to read:

12 82-334 (1) The Support the Arts Cash Fund is created. The fund shall
13 consist of all money credited to the fund pursuant to section 25 of this
14 act ~~60-3,252~~ and all money transferred to the fund pursuant to section
15 13-3108.

16 (2) The Nebraska Arts Council shall administer and distribute the
17 Support the Arts Cash Fund. The fund shall be expended by the Nebraska
18 Arts Council (a) to provide aid to communities that designate a focus
19 area of the city or village for arts and cultural development, (b) to
20 provide money for a competitive grant program that awards a grant to any
21 creative district that meets the criteria for the competitive grant, if
22 such program exists, (c) to provide money for the competitive grant
23 program for cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and
24 villages described in section 82-335, and (d) to defray costs directly
25 related to the administration of the fund.

26 (3) All money transferred to the fund pursuant to section 13-3108
27 shall be used for the competitive grant program for cities of the first
28 class, cities of the second class, and villages described in section
29 82-335.

30 (4) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
31 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital

1 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

2 **Sec. 33.** (1) The Home of Arbor Day Plate Cash Fund is created and
3 shall be administered by the Board of Regents of the University of
4 Nebraska. The Home of Arbor Day Plate Cash Fund shall include money
5 credited pursuant to section 25 of this act, gifts, grants, private
6 contributions, and other sources. Any money in the Home of Arbor Day
7 Plate Cash Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state
8 investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the
9 Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

10 (2) The University of Nebraska Board of Regents shall use the fund
11 to award grants to the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum for purposes of tree
12 planting, garden making, community building, and environmental education
13 and outreach.

14 **Sec. 34.** Original sections 37-327.04, 60-3,104.01, 60-3,104.02,
15 60-3,113, 60-3,122.04, 60-3,151, 60-3,254, 60-495, 80-415, 80-416,
16 80-417, 81-2517, 82-139, and 82-334, Reissue Revised Statutes of
17 Nebraska, and sections 37-112, 37-327.03, 37-811, 60-301, 60-302, 60-393,
18 60-395, 60-396, 60-3,101, 60-3,104, 60-3,122.03, 60-3,123, 60-3,124,
19 60-3,125, 60-3,130.04, and 60-3,253, Revised Statutes Cumulative
20 Supplement, 2024, are repealed.

21 **Sec. 35.** The following sections are outright repealed: Sections
22 60-3,127, 60-3,129, 60-3,223, 60-3,224, 60-3,225, 60-3,227, 60-3,230,
23 60-3,231, 60-3,234, 60-3,235, 60-3,238, 60-3,239, 60-3,240, 60-3,242,
24 60-3,244, 60-3,246, 60-3,248, 60-3,250, 60-3,252, 60-3,255, 60-3,256,
25 60-3,257, and 60-3,258, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and
26 sections 60-3,128, 60-3,226, 60-3,232, 60-3,233, 60-3,237, 60-3,241,
27 60-3,243, 60-3,245, 60-3,247, 60-3,249, 60-3,251, 60-3,259, and 60-3,260,
28 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.