



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 902

HOUSE BILL NO. 2411

By Representatives Lynn, Matlock, Zachary

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2331

By Senator Tracy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, relative to license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Any nonprofit organization owning any vehicle that may be legally operated upon the streets or highways of this state with a regular vehicle registration may, through an authorized agent or employee, operate or move the vehicle upon any highway of the state without registering the vehicle, upon condition that the vehicle display a special purpose plate issued to that owner as prescribed in this section.

(b) The special purpose nonprofit organization plate shall have the legend "TENN" at the top of the plate and shall have "nonprofit organization" at the bottom of the plate. The legend shall contain the letters "CVPT" and three (3) numbers. The special purpose nonprofit organization plate shall have a purple background and white letters and numbers.

(c) A nonprofit organization may make application to the department for one (1) or more special purpose nonprofit organization plates and shall provide sufficient information as reasonably requested by the commissioner to show that the applicant is a nonprofit organization. The fee for each special purpose plate is forty-seven dollars and thirty cents (\$47.30), and the fee for any plates in addition to the first plate is twenty-three dollars and sixty-five cents (\$23.65) for each additional plate. No nonprofit organization shall be permitted to purchase more than three (3) nonprofit organization plates each year.

(d) A special purpose nonprofit organization plate may be used in the place of a regular vehicle registration to operate or move the vehicle upon any highway of the state without registering such vehicle, solely for the following purposes:

(1) To transport the vehicle between a prior or subsequent owner and the nonprofit organization;

(2) To transport the vehicle between the nonprofit organization and a location where cleaning, repairing, or preparation is performed; or

(3) To test the vehicle within a twenty-mile radius of the location where the cleaning, repairing, or preparation is performed.

(e) A special purpose nonprofit organization plate may be used solely for vehicles that were donated to the nonprofit organization with the intent that the vehicle be transferred to a subsequent owner. This section does not apply to vehicles used in a nonprofit organization's daily operations.

(f) The special purpose plates issued under this section shall expire on May 31 of each year, and a new plate or plates for the ensuing year may be obtained by the person to whom the expired plate or plates were issued upon application to the department or any county clerk within the state. Issuance of the plates shall begin May 1 of each year,

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upon payment of the fee provided by law, and proof by the applicant that the applicant continues to be a nonprofit organization.

(g) For purposes of this section, "nonprofit organization" means an organization that has received a determination of exemption from the internal revenue service under the Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 13, 2016



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 27th day of April 2016



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR