

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.
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A Bill

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5 By: Representatives Glidewell, Medley, Rosenbaum
6 By: Senator Altes

For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE IN GOD WE TRUST LICENSE
11 PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 TO AUTHORIZE THE IN GOD WE TRUST LICENSE
15 PLATE.

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 15 is amended to add an
21 additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 48.

In God We Trust License Plate.

24 27-15-4801. In God We Trust license plate authorized.

25 The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
26 issue a special In God We Trust motor vehicle license plate in the manner and
27 subject to the conditions prescribed in this subchapter.

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29 27-15-4802. Design.

30 (a) The special In God We Trust motor vehicle license plates shall:

31 (1) Be designed by the Department of Finance and Administration;

32 (2) Contain the words "In God We Trust"; and

33 (3) Be numbered consecutively.

34 (b)(1) Before the Director of the Department of Finance and
35 Administration creates and issues a special license plate under this



1 subchapter, one (1) of the following must occur:

2 (A) A fee in the amount of six thousand dollars (\$6,000)
3 to cover the cost of the initial order of each newly designed license plate
4 is remitted to the Department of Finance and Administration by the Division
5 of Aging and Adult Services of the Department of Human Services, a person, or
6 other entity; or

7 (B) The Department of Finance and Administration receives
8 a minimum of one thousand (1,000) applications for the special license plate.

9 (2)(A) The fee collected under subsection (b)(1)(A) of this
10 section shall be deposited to the State Central Services Fund for the benefit
11 of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration and
12 shall be credited as supplemental and in addition to all other funds as may
13 be deposited for the benefit of the division.

14 (B) The fee shall not be considered or credited to the
15 division as direct revenues.

16 (C) The fee may be paid by any person or organization or
17 by any combination of persons or organizations.

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19 27-15-4803. Fees.

20 (a) Upon payment of the fee required by law for the registration of
21 the vehicle, payment of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to cover the design-use
22 contribution fee, and payment of an additional ten-dollar handling and
23 administrative fee for the issuance of the special In God We Trust license
24 plate, the Department of Finance and Administration shall issue to the
25 vehicle owner an In God We Trust license plate which shall bear the approved
26 design.

27 (b)(1)(A) The handling and administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10.00)
28 shall be deposited to the State Central Services Fund for the benefit of the
29 Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

30 (B) The fee shall not be considered or credited to the
31 division as direct revenues.

32 (2) The design-use contribution fee of twenty-five dollars
33 (\$25.00) shall be deposited as special revenues in the State Treasury to the
34 credit of the In God We Trust License Plate Fund.

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36 27-15-4804. In God We Trust License Plate Fund.

1 (a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, the
 2 Auditor of State, and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a special revenue
 3 fund to be known as the "In God We Trust License Plate Fund".

4 (b)(1) All moneys collected as design-use contribution fees under §
 5 27-15-4803 shall be deposited into the State Treasury as special revenues to
 6 the credit of the In God We Trust License Plate Fund.

7 (2) The fund shall also consist of any other revenues as may be
 8 authorized by law.

9 (c)(1)(A) The fund shall be used by the Division of Aging and Adult
 10 Services of the Department of Human Services to provide quarterly cash grants
 11 to each senior citizen center in a similar method as used in the State of
 12 Arkansas's current system for distributing United States Department of
 13 Agriculture money to the senior citizen centers to purchase raw food.

14 (B) All moneys in the fund shall be used exclusively by
 15 the Division of Aging and Adult Services of the Department of Human Services
 16 as provided in subdivisions (c)(2) and (c)(3) of this section.

17 (C)(i) All moneys collected as design-use contribution
 18 fees under § 27-15-4803(a) shall be used exclusively by senior citizen
 19 centers for purchasing food for use in a home-delivered meal program.

20 (ii) No moneys collected as design-use contribution
 21 fees under § 27-15-4803(a) shall be used for administration expenses by a
 22 state agency, senior citizen center, or any other non-profit or for-profit
 23 organization.

24 (2)(A) The Division of Aging and Adult Services of the
 25 Department of Human Services shall distribute the moneys collected under this
 26 subchapter as cash grant awards to senior citizen centers in the State of
 27 Arkansas.

28 (B) The cash grant awards shall be based on the average
 29 number of meals served each day for the prior quarter within the senior
 30 citizen center's respective geographic area.

31 (3) Each senior citizen center that receives a cash grant award
 32 under this subchapter shall use the moneys exclusively for purchasing food
 33 for use in a home-delivered meal program.

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 35 27-15-4805. Renewal.

36 (a)(1) The special In God We Trust license plate issued under this

1 subchapter may be renewed annually under the procedures in § 27-15-4004 and
 2 under §§ 27-14-1012 and 27-14-1013.

3 (2) Registration may continue from year to year as long as it is
 4 renewed each year within the time and manner required by law.

5 (b) A motor vehicle owner who was previously issued a plate with the
 6 In God We Trust design authorized by this subchapter and who does not pay a
 7 design-use contribution fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) at the subsequent
 8 time of registration shall be issued a new plate which does not bear the In
 9 God We Trust design.

10 (c) Upon expiration or if the special In God We Trust license plate is
 11 lost, the plate may be replaced with a regular license plate at the fee
 12 specified in § 27-14-602(b)(6).

13 (d) If the special In God We Trust license plate is replaced with a
 14 new In God We Trust license plate, the owner shall be required to pay the
 15 fees for the issuance of the license plate under § 27-15-4003.

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 17 27-15-4806. Transfer to another vehicle.

18 The special In God We Trust license plate issued under this subchapter
 19 may be transferred from one (1) vehicle to another as provided in § 27-14-
 20 914.

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 22 27-15-4807. Compliance with other laws.

23 The special In God We Trust license plate shall comply with:

24 (1) The minimum number of license plate applications required
 25 under § 27-15-4004; and

26 (2) All other state motor vehicle laws relating to registration
 27 and licensing of motor vehicles unless specifically provided otherwise in
 28 this subchapter.

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 30 27-15-4808. Rules and regulations.

31 The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
 32 promulgate reasonable rules and regulations and prescribe forms as the
 33 director determines to be necessary for effectively and efficiently carrying
 34 out the intent and purposes of this subchapter.

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 36 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the

1 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that there are insufficient
2 resources being dedicated to the purchase of raw food for home-delivered
3 meals for the elderly; that senior citizen centers have been forced to close
4 due to lack of adequate funding; that senior citizens have been placed on
5 waiting lists to receive home-delivered meals; and that this act is
6 immediately necessary to promote the health and independent living of the
7 senior citizens of the State of Arkansas. Therefore, an emergency is
8 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
9 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
10 on:

11 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

12 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
13 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
14 bill; or

15 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
16 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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