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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

4 **By: Representatives Sanson and Roric**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987, ANNOTATED, TITLE
9 27, CHAPTER 15 TO ADD A NEW SUBCHAPTER 27 TO CREATE A
10 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, TO PROVIDE FOR
11 THE ISSUANCE OF THE PLATE, AND TO PRESCRIBE A PENALTY FOR
12 DISPLAY BY UNQUALIFIED PERSONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

15 "AN ACT TO CREATE A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FOR COUNTY
16 JUSTICES OF THE PEACE AND PROVIDE A PROCEDURE AND FEE FOR
17 THEIR ISSUANCE."

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

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21 SECTION 1. Title 27, Chapter 15, of the Arkansas Code of 1987,
22 Annotated, is hereby amended to add a new Subchapter 27 to read as follows:

23 "27-15-2701. Eligibility.

24 Each Arkansas resident, who is an elected Justice of the Peace
25 representing a district in any county of Arkansas, is entitled to register one
26 (1) automobile, as defined under § 27-14-601(a)(1), or one (1) Class One
27 truck, as defined under § 27-14-601(a)(3), and receive a special Justice of
28 the Peace license plate and decal.

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30 27-15-2702. Design of Plate.

31 The license plate shall be of standard color and design as is currently
32 issued by the Department of Finance and Administration, except that, in lieu
33 of the legend The Natural State or any succeeding legend, it shall have
34 placed across the bottom thereof a permanent decal bearing the words Justice
35 of the Peace.

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27-15-2703. Issuance - Fee.

(a) The license plate shall be issued by the Department of Finance and Administration upon application by the Justice of the Peace on forms provided by the Department and accompanied by a copy of the Justice of the Peace's commission from the Secretary of State and payment of the appropriate fees.

(b) The fee for issuance and renewal of this special license plate and decal shall be the same fee as charged for the regular license plates issued for the motor vehicle as prescribed by law and a five dollar (\$5.00) application fee.

(c) Any person who no longer qualifies for the issuance of the special license plate and decal shall promptly return the special license plate to the nearest office of the Revenue Division for the Department of Finance and Administration and be issued a new regular license plate of the motor vehicle.

(d) The five dollar (\$5.00) application fee shall be deposited in the State Treasury as a special revenue and credited to the State Central Services Fund as a direct revenue to be used by the Department of Finance and Administration to finance the issuance of the special license plates and decals provided for in this act.

27-15-2704. Display by non-Justices of the Peace prohibited.

(a) Any person who was a Justice of the Peace and to whom was issued a special license plate and decal under this subchapter and is no longer a Justice of the Peace shall be prohibited from displaying this special license plate and decal on any motor vehicle.

(b) Any former Justice of the Peace who shall operate a motor vehicle displaying this special plate and decal in violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

27-15-2705. Regulations.

The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration may adopt reasonable regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this subchapter."

1 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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5 SECTION 3. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
8 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
9 act are declared to be severable.

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11 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
12 hereby repealed.

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