## **Department of Finance and Administration**

## **Legislative Impact Statement**

**Bill: SB107** 

BIII Subtitle: TO PROHIBIT THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF A SUPPORT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PERSONS WITH CERTAIN CRIMINAL HISTORIES.

### Basic Change:

Sponsor: Sen. Irvin

SB107 amends § 27-24-1316(c) to prohibit DFA from issuing or renewing a special license plate for support of law enforcement to a person required to register as a sex offender under the Sex Offender Registration Act of 1997, § 12-12-901, et seq. A person required to register as a sex offender that has already been issued a special license plate in support of law enforcement prior to the effective date of SB107 would not be required to surrender the plate.

#### Revenue Impact :

Unknown loss in special license plate fees collected for Arkansas Municipal Police Association.

## Taxpayer Impact :

A person required to register as a sex offender would not be able to register or renew his or her vehicle with a special license plate to support law enforcement.

### Resources Required:

Programming the current Motor Vehicle system will require approximately twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) and annual maintenance fee of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00). An application form and process will need to be created for eligible persons wanting the law enforcement plate.

## Time Required:

Implementation date of October 1, 2019 is requested.

#### Procedural Changes:

Program the Motor Vehicle system for issuance of a new application form for review and determination of sex offender status. Revise Motor Vehicle Procedures Manual and distribute revisions to Revenue Offices.

### Other Comments :

None.

## Legal Analysis:

SB107 prohibits DFA from issuing or renewing a special license plate in support of law enforcement to a person required to register as a sex offender. This bill will require additional administrative responsibility for DFA. Under the bill, it is unclear how DFA would determine whether or not an applicant for the special plate was required to register as a sex offender. Access to criminal history

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databases, for example, the Arkansas Crime Information Center, "ACIC" or the National Crime Information Center, "NCIC", is highly restricted.

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