

# Department of Finance and Administration

## Legislative Impact Statement

**Bill: SB379**

**As Engrossed: 3/12/2019**

**Bill Subtitle: TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FOR THE ARKANSAS FORESTRY COMMISSION.**

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### **Basic Change :**

**Sponsor: Sen. Garner**

SB379, as engrossed by Amendment No. 1, provides that the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) may issue Arkansas Forestry Commission special license plates to be distributed by the State Forester for display on the commission's motor vehicles.

SB379, as originally introduced, would create a new subchapter, § 27-24-1801, et seq, to require DFA to issue a new special license plate for Arkansas Forestry Commission vehicles. The plate will be designed by the Arkansas Forestry Commission and approved by DFA. The commission will pay registration and licensing fees as provided under § 27-14-601.

### **Revenue Impact :**

A supply of the special plates must be acquired and maintained. There are approximately 430 Forestry Commission Vehicles. Estimated costs to replace existing plates with new plate design and programming will be approximately \$20,000.00.

### **Taxpayer Impact :**

None.

### **Resources Required :**

Special plates would be acquired and maintained for the approximately 430 Forestry Commission vehicles.

### **Time Required :**

Request implementation date of January 1, 2020.

### **Procedural Changes :**

Revise Motor Vehicle Procedures Manual and distribute revision to state Revenue Offices and create new use type and codes.

### **Other Comments :**

Act 638 of 2011 exempts the commission from payment of fees except for initial registration fees. Currently the Forestry Commission is issued Public Property Plates.

### **Legal Analysis :**

None.