

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

HOUSE BILL 1020

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5 By: Representative Dangeau
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REDUCE THE PAPERWORK REQUIRED FOR
10 RETIRED FIREFIGHTERS TO RENEW THEIR SPECIALTY
11 PLATES; TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL FEE OF ONE DOLLAR
12 (\$1.00) FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ARKANSAS
13 FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL; TO CREATE THE
14 FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS' MEMORIAL FUND; AND FOR OTHER
15 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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18 TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN A
19 SPECIAL FIREFIGHTER'S MOTOR VEHICLE
20 LICENSE PLATE.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-15-2702 is amended to read as follows:
26 27-15-2702. Who is eligible - Fee - Renewal.

27 (a)(1) Any person who is certified by the Arkansas Fire Protection
28 Services Board as a certified firefighter or who has retired as a firefighter
29 shall be entitled to a special firefighter's motor vehicle license plate upon
30 paying the normal fee plus ten dollars (\$10.00) for the initial issuance of
31 the license plate.

32 (2) The cost of the annual renewal shall be the normal fee ~~only~~
33 plus an additional fee of one dollar (\$1.00).

34 (b)(1) Upon the annual renewal of the motor vehicle license plates
35 issued for passenger cars and Class One trucks, the active ~~or retired~~
36 firefighter shall provide adequate proof to the Department of Finance and



1 Administration that he or she is a certified firefighter ~~or that he or she is~~
2 ~~a firefighter retired from active service~~ at the time of applying for
3 renewal.

4 (2)(A) A firefighter who is retired and who has a special
5 firefighter’s motor vehicle license plate on or before the effective date of
6 this act shall only be required to provide proof to the Department of Finance
7 and Administration that he or she is a firefighter retired from active
8 service for the first renewal of the motor vehicle license plate after the
9 effective date of this act.

10 (B) A firefighter who retires on or after January 1, 2006,
11 and who has a special firefighter’s motor vehicle license plate shall only be
12 required to provide proof to the Department of Finance and Administration
13 that he or she is a firefighter retired from active service for the first
14 renewal of the motor vehicle license plate after the firefighter’s
15 retirement.

16 (c) A retired firefighter who makes his or her initial application for
17 a special firefighter’s motor vehicle license plate after the effective date
18 of this act shall only be required to provide proof to the Department of
19 Finance and Administration that he or she is firefighter retired from active
20 service in his or her initial application.

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22 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-15-2703 is amended to read as follows:
23 27-15-2703. Disposition of ~~fee~~ fees.

24 (a) The additional ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be deposited in the
25 State Central Services Fund as direct revenues to the Revenue Division of the
26 Department of Finance and Administration.

27 (b) The additional renewal fee of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be
28 deposited in the Fallen Firefighters’ Memorial Fund.

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30 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 27-15-2704 is amended to read as follows:
31 27-15-2704. Regulations.

32 (a) The Department of Finance and Administration shall issue
33 regulations necessary to implement this subchapter.

34 (b)(1) The Department of Finance and Administration shall offer a
35 banner or tape to be attached to the firefighter’s special license plate that
36 states “retired.”

1 (2) The "retired" banner or tape shall be made available to a
2 license plate holder who has established that he or she is a firefighter
3 retired from active service under this subchapter.

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5 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code Title 19, Chapter 6, Subchapter 4 is amended
6 to add an additional section to read as follows:

7 19-6-494. Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Fund.

8 (a) There is created on the books of the Treasurer of State, Auditor
9 of State, and Chief Fiscal Officer of the State a special revenue fund to be
10 known as the "Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Fund."

11 (b)(1) All moneys collected under § 27-15-2702(a)(2) shall be
12 deposited into the State Treasury to the credit of the fund as special
13 revenues.

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

16 (c)(1) The fund shall be used by the Secretary of State to maintain
17 the Fallen Firefighters' Memorial.

18 (2) All maintenance and costs shall be approved by the Arkansas
19 Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Board and the Capitol Arts and Grounds
20 Commission.