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A Bill

SENATE BILL 848

5 By: Senator Teague
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL, AND
9 REPLACEMENT OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES FOR
10 CONSERVATION DISTRICTS; TO HAVE THE FUND-RAISING
11 PROCEEDS DIRECTED TO THE ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF
12 CONSERVATION DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 REPLACEMENT OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES FOR
17 CONSERVATION DISTRICTS; TO HAVE THE FUND-
18 RAISING PROCEEDS DIRECTED TO THE ARKANSAS
19 ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.
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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 Title 27, Chapter 24, is amended to add an*
26 *additional subchapter to read as follows:*

27 *Subchapter 17 –*

28 *Conservation Districts*
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30 *27-24-1701. Authorization.*

31 *The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall*
32 *issue a special license plate for conservation districts in the manner and*
33 *subject to the conditions provided under this subchapter.*
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35 *27-24-1702. Design – Cost.*

36 *(a) The special motor vehicle license plate for conservation districts*



1 shall:

2 (1) Be designed by the Department of Finance and Administration
3 in consultation with the Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts; and

4 (2) Be numbered consecutively.

5 (b) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
6 determine the amount of the costs for the issuance of the special license
7 plate under this section as follows:

8 (1) The fee for the cost of initial orders of the new design
9 that shall be based on the cost of the initial order;

10 (2) The number of applications that must be received to cover
11 the cost of the initial order of the new design; or

12 (3) The combination of subdivisions (b)(1) and (2) of this
13 section that must be received to cover the cost of the initial order of the
14 new design.

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16 27-24-1703. Issuance – Renewal – Replacement.

17 (a) A person who owns a motor vehicle and who is a resident of the
18 state may apply for and renew annually a special license plate under this
19 subchapter.

20 (b) The Department of Finance and Administration shall issue and renew
21 a special license plate under this section upon payment of:

22 (1) The fee required by law for registration of the motor
23 vehicle;

24 (2)(A) Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to cover the design-use
25 contribution.

26 (B) The design-use contribution shall be remitted monthly
27 to the Arkansas Association of Conservation Districts to be used to provide
28 education and assistance to landowners concerning the conservation,
29 maintenance, improvement, development, and use of land, soil, water, trees,
30 vegetation, fish, wildlife, open-spaces, and other renewable natural
31 resources; and

32 (3)(A) A handling and administrative fee of ten dollars
33 (\$10.00).

34 (B) The handling and administrative fee shall be:

35 (i) Deposited into the State Central Services Fund
36 for the benefit of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and

1 Administration; and

2 (ii) Credited to the division as supplemental and in
3 addition to all other funds that may be deposited for the benefit of the
4 division.

5 (C) The handling and administrative fee shall not be
6 considered or credited to the division as direct revenue.

7 (c) To replace a special license plate issued under this subchapter:

8 (1) The owner of the motor vehicle shall remit the fee stated in
9 subdivision (b)(3) of this section if the registration has not expired; or

10 (2) The owner of the motor vehicle shall remit all fees stated
11 in subsection (b) of this section if the registration has expired.

12 (d) The registration of a special license plate under this subchapter
13 may:

14 (1) Continue from year to year as long as it is renewed each
15 year within the time and manner required by law; and

16 (2) Be renewed as provided under §§ 27-14-1012 and 27-14-1013.

17 (e) If an owner of a motor vehicle who was previously issued a special
18 license plate under this subchapter fails to pay the fees required in
19 subsection (b) of this section at the time of renewal, the owner shall be
20 issued a permanent license plate as provided under §§ 27-14-1007 and 27-14-
21 1008.

22 (f) Upon the expiration of the registration of a special license plate
23 under this subchapter, the owner of the motor vehicle may replace the special
24 license plate with:

25 (1) A permanent license plate under §§ 27-14-1007 and 27-14-
26 1008;

27 (2) A personalized license plate; or

28 (3) Any other special license plate that the person is entitled
29 to receive under this chapter.

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31 27-24-1704. Rules.

32 The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration may
33 promulgate rules for the administration of this subchapter.

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35 /s/Teague