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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representatives Shanley, Bennett, Vella-Wilkinson, McNamara, and Jackson Date Introduced: January 24, 2020

Referred To: House Special Legislation

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1	SECTION	1.	Section	31-3-117	of	the	General	Laws	in	Chapter	31-3	entitled
2	2 "Registration of Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:											

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31-3-117. Minimum prepaid special motor vehicle registration plate orders.

(a) As to any special motor vehicle registration plates that have been authorized pursuant
to this chapter but that have not been issued or printed as of July 2, 2018 because the minimum
number of prepaid orders for the plates has not been reached, the minimum number of plates that
must be prepaid and ordered prior to the plates being made and issued shall be deemed to be six
hundred (600) sets of plates per plate type. If the minimum number of prepaid plates provided
pursuant to any other section of this chapter is a higher number, that number shall be deemed
reduced to six hundred (600) sets of plates per plate type.

(b) As to any special plates that are authorized pursuant to this chapter after July 2, 2018,
the minimum number of plates that must be prepaid and ordered prior to the plates being made
and issued shall be six hundred (600) sets of plates per plate type.

14 (c) For any type of special plate qualifying under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, the 15 minimum number of special plates of such type that must be prepaid and ordered prior to the 16 special plates of such type being made and issued shall be reduced to one hundred fifty (150) if 17 the applicable sponsoring nonprofit entity delivers to the administrator of the division of motor 18 vehicles, together with the orders for such one hundred fifty (150) plates and the fees required in 19 connection therewith, an additional fee of three thousand dollars (\$3,000). Such additional fee

- 1 <u>shall be refunded to such nonprofit entity if a total of six hundred (600) of such type of special</u>
- 2 plate (inclusive of the initial one hundred fifty (150) plates) are ordered and issued within five (5)
- 3 years following delivery of such additional fee. Such additional fee shall be forfeited to the
- 4 division of motor vehicles if a total of six hundred (600) of such type of special plate (inclusive of
- 5 the initial one hundred fifty (150) plates) are not ordered and issued within five (5) years
- 6 <u>following delivery of such additional fee.</u>
- 7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1 This act would provide for a reduction in the minimum number of special plates to be 2 ordered from the DMV to one hundred fifty (150) sets upon payment of a conditionally 3 refundable fee of three thousand dollars (\$3,000). The three thousand dollars (\$3,000) would be refunded if a total of six hundred (600) sets of the special plates were ordered and issued within 4 five (5) years. If six hundred (600) sets are not ordered within five (5) years then the three 5 thousand dollar (\$3,000) fee is forfeited. 6 7

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