



# HOUSE BILL No. 6135

September 25, 1996, Introduced by Reps. Baade, Anthony, Horton, McBryde, Harder, Voorhees, LaForge, Porreca, Kelly, Brewer, Olshove, Parks and Galloway and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend section 217a of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1949, entitled as amended "Michigan vehicle code," as amended by Act No. 419 of the Public Acts of 1988, being section 257.217a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1 Section 1. Section 217a of Act No. 300 of the Public Acts  
2 of 1949, as amended by Act No. 419 of the Public Acts of 1988,  
3 being section 257.217a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended  
4 to read as follows:

5 Sec. 217a. (1) A person who holds an unexpired technician,  
6 general, conditional, advanced, or extra class amateur radio  
7 license issued by the federal communications commission may make  
8 application directly to the secretary of state for a registration  
9 plate inscribed with the official amateur radio call letters of

1 the applicant as assigned by the federal communications  
2 commission. THE PLATE SHALL HAVE THE WORDS "AMATEUR RADIO  
3 OPERATOR" INSCRIBED BENEATH THE REGISTRATION NUMBERS.

4 (2) The applicant shall prove to the satisfaction of the  
5 secretary of state that the applicant holds an unexpired amateur  
6 radio license. In addition to the regular registration fee, the  
7 applicant shall pay a service fee of \$2.00. The \$2.00 fee shall  
8 be credited to the Michigan transportation fund; and, after  
9 deduction of manufacturing and administrative costs, the service  
10 fee shall be allocated pursuant to section 10 of Act No. 51 of  
11 the Public Acts of 1951, being section 247.660 of the Michigan  
12 Compiled Laws. A plate may be issued for a motor vehicle which  
13 bears a registration issued pursuant to section 801(1)(a) and  
14 (q).

15 (3) If a plate issued under this section is used on a vehi-  
16 cle other than the vehicle for which the plate was issued, the  
17 owner of the plate is guilty of a misdemeanor and the registra-  
18 tion plate shall be surrendered to the secretary of state. A  
19 holder of a plate whose amateur radio license is not in full  
20 force and effect immediately shall surrender the call letter  
21 plate to the secretary of state and obtain a regular registration  
22 plate.

23 (4) An application for a plate issued under this section  
24 shall be submitted to the secretary of state pursuant to section  
25 217. The expiration date for plates issued under this section  
26 shall be the date determined pursuant to section 226.