

SENATE BILL No. 286

February 28, 2007, Introduced by Senators PATTERSON, KUIPERS, RICHARDVILLE, GLEASON, ALLEN, VAN WOERKOM and JANSEN and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending section 811e (MCL 257.811e), as amended by 2006 PA 562, and by adding section 811r.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 811e. (1) Beginning January 1, 2007, the secretary of
2 state may develop a fund-raising plate as provided in this section.

3 (2) A start-up fee of \$15,000.00 shall be paid for any new
4 fund-raising plate authorized under this section, which fee shall
5 be deposited in the transportation administration collection fund
6 to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and issuing fund-
7 raising plates. If the fee described in this subsection is not paid
8 within 18 months ~~of~~ **AFTER** the effective date of the public act that

1 authorizes the development and issuance of a fund-raising plate,
2 then the related fund-raising plate shall not be created, produced,
3 or issued. A start-up fee paid under this subsection is
4 nonrefundable.

5 (3) Not less than 3 years after the secretary of state first
6 issues 1 of the fund-raising plates as described in subsection (1)
7 and upon payment of \$2,000.00, the Michigan university or other
8 person sponsoring that fund-raising plate may redesign it as
9 approved by the secretary of state. The payment required under this
10 subsection shall be deposited in the transportation administration
11 collection fund to be used for the cost of creating, producing, and
12 issuing fund-raising plates. A payment under this subsection is
13 nonrefundable.

14 (4) The secretary of state may develop 1 or more limited term
15 registration plates to recognize a Michigan university or an
16 accomplishment or occasion of a Michigan university.

17 (5) The secretary of state may, at any 1 time, develop not
18 more than ~~8~~9 different state sponsored fund-raising registration
19 plates as described in this section, and matching state-sponsored
20 collector plates as described in section 811g.

21 (6) The secretary of state shall not develop or issue a fund-
22 raising plate unless a public act authorizing the fund-raising
23 plate, at a minimum, does all of the following:

24 (a) Identifies the purpose of the fund-raising plate.

25 (b) Creates a nonprofit fund or designates an existing
26 nonprofit fund to receive the money raised through the sale of
27 fund-raising plates and matching collector plates.

1 (c) If a fund is created, names the person or entity
2 responsible for administering the fund.

3 SEC. 811R. (1) THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL DEVELOP AND MAY
4 ISSUE A FUND-RAISING PLATE AND A MATCHING COLLECTOR PLATE
5 RECOGNIZING DUCKS UNLIMITED. THE WORDS "DUCKS UNLIMITED" SHALL BE
6 INSCRIBED ON THE PLATES. THE SECRETARY OF STATE SHALL TRANSFER THE
7 FUND-RAISING DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF THE PLATES
8 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION TO THE STATE TREASURER, WHO SHALL CREDIT
9 THE DONATION MONEY TO THE DUCKS UNLIMITED FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER
10 SUBSECTION (2).

11 (2) THE DUCKS UNLIMITED FUND IS CREATED WITHIN THE STATE
12 TREASURY. THE STATE TREASURER MAY RECEIVE MONEY OR OTHER ASSETS
13 FROM ANY SOURCE FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER
14 SHALL DIRECT THE INVESTMENT OF THE FUND. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL
15 CREDIT TO THE FUND INTEREST AND EARNINGS FROM FUND INVESTMENTS.
16 MONEY IN THE FUND AT THE CLOSE OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REMAIN IN
17 THE FUND AND SHALL NOT LAPSE TO THE GENERAL FUND. THE STATE
18 TREASURER SHALL DISBURSE MONEY IN THE FUND ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO
19 THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED. THE MONEY
20 CREDITED TO THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED
21 SHALL ONLY BE EXPENDED TO PROTECT, ENHANCE, RESTORE, MANAGE, AND
22 ACQUIRE WETLANDS AND ASSOCIATED UPLANDS IN THIS STATE.

23 (3) THE MICHIGAN CHAPTER OF DUCKS UNLIMITED, INCORPORATED
24 SHALL ANNUALLY REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY AN ACCOUNTING
25 OF MONEY RECEIVED AND USED UNDER SUBSECTION (2).