



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
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FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2113

Arizona motorsports commemorative special plates

Purpose

Creates an Arizona Motorsports Commemorative Special Plate and its respective fund in statute.

Background

The Arizona Department of Transportation's (ADOT) Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) provides one license plate to every motor vehicle owner for each vehicle registered (A.R.S. § 28-2351). Vehicle license plates display both the name of the state, as well as a number assigned to the vehicle and the owner. License plates must be clearly visible and displayed on the rear of the vehicle (A.R.S. § 28-2354).

In addition to regular Arizona vehicle license plates, MVD issues special license plates for a variety of causes and organizations. Currently, over 50 special license plates are available to the public. Several of the plates are limited to those that meet certain qualifications.

The fee for obtaining or renewing a special license plate is \$25 (A.R.S. § 28-2402). From the \$25 fee, typically, \$8 is an administration fee that ADOT deposits in the State Highway Fund (SHF) and \$17 is considered a donation to the respective organization or charitable fund.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Creates an Arizona Motorsports Commemorative Special Plate if \$32,000 is paid for its implementation to ADOT by December 31, 2014.
2. Requires the person that provides the \$32,000 implementation fee to design the Arizona Motorsports Commemorative Special Plate, subject to ADOT approval.
3. Establishes the Arizona Motorsports Commemorative Special Plate Fund (Fund). The ADOT Director shall administer the Fund. The first \$32,000 in the Fund must be reimbursed to the person that paid the implementation fee. Not more than 10 percent of the monies deposited in the Fund annually can be used for the cost of administering the Fund. Monies in the Fund are continuously appropriated.

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4. Requires the ADOT director to annually distribute all monies in the Fund, excluding administrative fees, to a foundation that is a national leader in providing resources and charitable support for children through education, medical treatment, dream experiences and volunteerism. The foundation must satisfy all of the following requirements:
 - a) have a scholarship program that aids in providing summer camp opportunities and dream experiences at motorsports events for terminally ill and special needs children;
 - b) have a mission that requires investment in creating opportunity for school-aged students and helping the students to engage in science and engineering using motorsports as the basis of the educational program;
 - c) be a charitable organization that is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States IRC for federal income tax purposes; and
 - d) be named after a special event location that promotes sanctioned motorsports and family events within Maricopa County and this state.
5. Allows the ADOT Director to combine a request for an Arizona Motorsport Commemorative Special Plate with a request for a personalized special plate. If the ADOT Director allows the combination, the request is subject to the additional fees for personalized special plates.
6. Specifies that of the \$25 fee required for the original Arizona Motorsport Commemorative Special Plate and subsequent renewals, \$8 is an administration fee and \$17 is an annual donation. ADOT is required to deposit all administration fees into the SHF and all annual donations into the Fund.
7. Requires the State Treasurer, on notice from the ADOT Director, to invest and divest monies in the Fund. Monies earned from investment are credited to the Fund.
8. Stipulates that the section may be cited as the "Phoenix International Raceway Plate Act."
9. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

House Action

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