

**CHAPTER 3--H.F.No. 65**

*An act relating to public safety; establishing fees for replacement license plates; amending design requirements for enhanced drivers' licenses and enhanced identification cards; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 168.012, subdivision 1c; 168.27, subdivision 16; 171.07, subdivisions 1, 3; Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 168.12, subdivision 5.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 168.012, subdivision 1c, is amended to read:

Subd. 1c. **Payment of administrative, plate, and filing fee.** The annual administrative fee for a tax-exempt vehicle under this section is \$5. The license plate fee for a tax-exempt vehicle, except a trailer, is \$10 for two plates per vehicle, payable only on the first tax-exempt registration of the vehicle. The registration period for a tax-exempt vehicle is biennial. The administrative fee is due on March 1 biennially and payable the preceding January 1, with validating stickers issued at time of payment. Replacement plates are subject to the fees in section 168.12.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon rollout of the new vehicle title and registration system or January 1, 2021, whichever is earlier. The commissioner of public safety must notify the revisor of statutes of the effective date.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 168.12, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Additional fee.** (a) In addition to any fee otherwise authorized or any tax otherwise imposed upon any vehicle, the payment of which is required as a condition to the issuance of any plate or plates, the commissioner shall impose the fee specified in paragraph (b) that is calculated to cover the cost of manufacturing and issuing the plate or plates, except for plates issued to disabled veterans as defined in section 168.031 and plates issued pursuant to section 168.124, 168.125, or 168.27, subdivisions 16 and 17, for passenger automobiles. The commissioner shall issue graphic design plates only for vehicles registered pursuant to section 168.017 and recreational vehicles registered pursuant to section 168.013, subdivision 1g.

(b) Unless otherwise specified or exempted by statute, the following plate and validation sticker fees apply for the original, duplicate, or replacement issuance of a plate in a plate year:

License Plate	Single	Double
Regular and Disability	\$ 5.25	\$ 7.00
Special	\$ 10.00	\$ 11.50
Personalized (Replacement)	\$ 11.50	\$ 15.50
Collector Category	\$ 15.00	\$ 16.50
Emergency Vehicle Display	\$ 3.00	\$ 6.00

Utility Trailer Self-Adhesive	\$	2.50	
Vertical Motorcycle Plate	\$	100.00	NA
<u>Replacement Dealer Plates</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5.25</u>	
<u>Replacement Tax Exempt Plates</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5.25</u>	
Stickers			
Duplicate year	\$	1.25	\$ 1.25
International Fuel Tax Agreement	\$	2.50	

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), for plates issued on and after August 1, 2019, and before July 1, 2022, the following plate and validation sticker fees apply for the original, duplicate, or replacement issuance of a plate in a plate year:

License Plate		Single	Double
Regular and Disability	\$	6.00	\$ 8.00
Special	\$	11.00	\$ 12.50
Personalized (Replacement)	\$	12.50	\$ 16.50
Collector Category	\$	16.00	\$ 17.50
Emergency Vehicle Display	\$	3.00	\$ 6.00
Utility Trailer Self-Adhesive	\$	2.50	
Vertical Motorcycle Plate	\$	100.00	NA
<u>Replacement Dealer Plates</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5.25</u>	
<u>Replacement Tax Exempt Plates</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>5.25</u>	
Stickers			
Duplicate year	\$	1.50	\$ 1.50
International Fuel Tax Agreement	\$	2.50	

(d) For vehicles that require two of the categories in paragraph (b) or (c), the registrar shall only charge the higher of the two fees and not a combined total.

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Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 168.27, subdivision 16, is amended to read:

Subd. 16. **Dealer plates: distinguishing number, fee, tax, use.** (a) The registrar shall issue to every motor vehicle dealer, upon a request from the motor vehicle dealer licensed as provided in subdivision 2 or

3, one or more plates displaying a general distinguishing number. This subdivision does not apply to a scrap metal processor, a used vehicle parts dealer, or a vehicle salvage pool. The fee for each of the first four plates is \$75 per registration year, of which \$60 must be paid to the registrar and the remaining \$15 is payable as sales tax on motor vehicles under section 297B.035. For each additional plate, the dealer shall pay the registrar a fee of \$25 and a sales tax on motor vehicles of \$15 per registration year. The registrar shall deposit the tax in the state treasury to be credited as provided in section 297B.09. Replacement plates are subject to the fees in section 168.12. Motor vehicles, new or used, owned by the motor vehicle dealership and bearing the number plate, except vehicles leased to the user who is not an employee of the dealer during the term of the lease, held for hire, or customarily used by the dealer as a tow truck, service truck, or parts vehicle, may be driven upon the streets and highways of this state:

(1) by the motor vehicle dealer or dealer's spouse, or any full-time employee of the motor vehicle dealer for either private or business purposes;

(2) by a part-time employee when the use is directly related to a particular business transaction of the dealer;

(3) for demonstration purposes by any prospective buyer for a period of 48 hours or in the case of a truck, truck-tractor, or semitrailer, for a period of seven days; or

(4) in a promotional event that lasts no longer than four days in which at least three motor vehicles are involved.

(b) A new or used motor vehicle sold by the motor vehicle dealer and bearing the motor vehicle dealer's number plate may be driven upon the public streets and highways for a period of 72 hours by the buyer for either of the following purposes: (1) removing the vehicle from this state for registration in another state, or (2) permitting the buyer to use the motor vehicle before the buyer receives number plates pursuant to registration. Use of a motor vehicle by the buyer under clause (2) before the buyer receives number plates pursuant to registration constitutes a use of the public streets or highways for the purpose of the time requirements for registration of motor vehicles.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective upon rollout of the new vehicle title and registration system or January 1, 2021, whichever is earlier. The commissioner of public safety must notify the revisor of statutes of the effective date.

Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 171.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **License; contents and design.** (a) Upon the payment of the required fee, the department shall issue to every qualifying applicant a license designating the type or class of vehicles the applicant is authorized to drive as applied for. This license must bear: (1) a distinguishing number assigned to the licensee; (2) the licensee's full name and date of birth; (3) either (i) the licensee's residence address, or (ii) the designated address under section 5B.05; (4) a description of the licensee in a manner as the commissioner deems necessary; (5) the usual signature of the licensee; and (6) designations and markings as provided in this section. No license is valid unless it bears the usual signature of the licensee. Every license must bear a colored photograph or an electronically produced image of the licensee.

(b) If the United States Postal Service will not deliver mail to the applicant's residence address as listed on the license, then the applicant shall provide verification from the United States Postal Service that mail will not be delivered to the applicant's residence address and that mail will be delivered to a specified alternate mailing address. When an applicant provides an alternate mailing address under this subdivision, the

commissioner shall use the alternate mailing address in lieu of the applicant's residence address for all notices and mailings to the applicant.

(c) Every license issued to an applicant under the age of 21 must be of a distinguishing color and plainly marked "Under-21."

(d) A license issued to an applicant age 65 or over must be plainly marked "senior" if requested by the applicant.

(e) Except for ~~an enhanced driver's license~~ or a noncompliant license, a license must bear a distinguishing indicator for compliance with requirements of the REAL ID Act.

(f) A noncompliant license must:

- (1) be marked "not for federal identification" on the face and in the machine-readable portion; and
- (2) have a unique design or color indicator.

(g) A license issued to a person with temporary lawful status must be marked "temporary" on the face and in the machine-readable portion.

(h) A license must display the licensee's full name or no fewer than 39 characters of the name. Any necessary truncation must begin with the last character of the middle name and proceed through the second letter of the middle name, followed by the last character of the first name and proceeding through the second letter of the first name.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 171.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

**Subd. 3. Identification card; content and design; fee.** (a) Upon payment of the required fee, the department shall issue to every qualifying applicant a Minnesota identification card. The department may not issue a Minnesota identification card to an individual who has a driver's license, other than a limited license. The department may not issue an enhanced identification card to an individual who is under 16 years of age, not a resident of this state, or not a citizen of the United States of America. The card must bear: (1) a distinguishing number assigned to the applicant; (2) a colored photograph or an electronically produced image of the applicant; (3) the applicant's full name and date of birth; (4) either (i) the licensee's residence address, or (ii) the designated address under section 5B.05; (5) a description of the applicant in the manner as the commissioner deems necessary; (6) the usual signature of the applicant; and (7) designations and markings provided under this section.

(b) If the United States Postal Service will not deliver mail to the applicant's residence address as listed on the Minnesota identification card, then the applicant shall provide verification from the United States Postal Service that mail will not be delivered to the applicant's residence address and that mail will be delivered to a specified alternate mailing address. When an applicant provides an alternate mailing address under this subdivision, the commissioner shall use the alternate mailing address in lieu of the applicant's residence address for all notices and mailings to the applicant.

(c) Each identification card issued to an applicant under the age of 21 must be of a distinguishing color and plainly marked "Under-21."

(d) Each Minnesota identification card must be plainly marked "Minnesota identification card - not a driver's license."

(e) Except for ~~an enhanced identification card~~ or a noncompliant identification card, a Minnesota identification card must bear a distinguishing indicator for compliance with requirements of the REAL ID Act.

(f) A noncompliant identification card must:

- (1) be marked "not for federal identification" on the face and in the machine-readable portion; and
- (2) have a unique design or color indicator.

(g) A Minnesota identification card issued to a person with temporary lawful status must be marked "temporary" on the face and in the machine-readable portion.

(h) A Minnesota identification card must display the cardholder's full name or no fewer than 39 characters of the name. Any necessary truncation must begin with the last character of the middle name and proceed through the second letter of the middle name, followed by the last character of the first name and proceeding through the second letter of the first name.

(i) The fee for a Minnesota identification card is 50 cents when issued to a person who is developmentally disabled, as defined in section 252A.02, subdivision 2; a physically disabled person, as defined in section 169.345, subdivision 2; or, a person with mental illness, as described in section 245.462, subdivision 20, paragraph (c).

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Signed by the governor June 18, 2020, 1:28 p.m.