

1 AN ACT relating to license plates for disabled veterans.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 186.162 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) As used in this section and in KRS 186.043, 186.164, 186.166, 186.1722, and
5 186.174:

6 (a) "Special license plate" means a unique license plate issued under this chapter
7 to a group or organization that readily identifies the operator of the motor
8 vehicle or motorcycle bearing the plate as a member of a group or
9 organization, or a supporter of the work, goals, or mission of a group or
10 organization. The term shall not include regular license plates issued under
11 KRS 186.240;

12 (b) "Street rod" means a modernized private passenger motor vehicle
13 manufactured prior to the year 1949, or designed or manufactured to resemble
14 a vehicle manufactured prior to 1949;

15 (c) "SF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
16 plate that is dedicated for use by the Transportation Cabinet;

17 (d) "CF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
18 plate that is dedicated for use by a county clerk. If a CF amount is charged for
19 a license plate listed in this section, the applicant for that plate shall also pay
20 the fees identified in KRS 186.040(6). If a CF amount is not charged, the
21 applicant shall not be required to pay those fees; and

22 (e) "EF" means the portion of an initial or renewal fee to obtain a special license
23 plate that is mandated by this chapter to be dedicated for use by a particular
24 group or organization.

25 (2) The initial purchase fee and renewal fee for a special license plate created under this
26 chapter shall be as established in this subsection and includes the name of group or
27 organization and the total initial and renewal fee required for the plate. The amount

1 in parentheses indicates how the total fee is required to be divided:

2 (a) Disabled veterans who receive assistance to purchase a vehicle from the
 3 United States Department of Veterans' Affairs, veterans declared by the
 4 United States Department of Veterans' Affairs to be one hundred percent
 5 (100%) service-connected disabled, veterans who are paid at the one
 6 hundred percent (100%) rate due to service-connected disabilities, or~~and~~
 7 recipients of the~~Congressional~~ Medal of Honor:

- 8 1. Initial Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/\$0 EF).
- 9 2. Renewal Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/\$0 EF).

10 (b) Former prisoners of war and survivors of Pearl Harbor:

- 11 1. Initial Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 12 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 13 2. Renewal Fee: \$6 (\$0 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

14 (c) Members of the Kentucky National Guard and recipients of the Purple Heart:

- 15 1. Initial Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 16 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 17 2. Renewal Fee: \$11 (\$0 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 18 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

19 (d) Members of the Civil Air Patrol; active, retired, veteran, reserve, or auxiliary
 20 members of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast
 21 Guard; Merchant Marines who served between December 7, 1941, and August
 22 15, 1945; recipients of the Silver Star Medal, or the Bronze Star Medal
 23 awarded for valor; persons who wish to receive Gold Star Mothers, Gold Star
 24 Fathers, or Gold Star Spouses license plates beyond the two (2) exempted
 25 from fees under KRS 186.041(6); individuals eligible for a special military
 26 service academy license plate under KRS 186.041(8); and disabled veterans
 27 who have been declared to be between fifty percent (50%) and ninety-nine

- 1 percent (99%) service-connected disabled by the United States Department of
 2 Veterans' Affairs *but are not paid at the one hundred percent (100%)*
 3 *disabled rate:*
- 4 1. Initial Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 5 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 6 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 7 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 8 (e) Recipients of the Distinguished Service Cross, Navy Cross, or Air Force
 9 Cross:
- 10 1. Initial Fee: \$6 (\$0 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 11 2. Renewal Fee: \$6 (\$0 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
- 12 (f) Disabled license plates:
- 13 1. Initial Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 14 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
- 15 (g) Historic vehicles:
- 16 1. Initial Fee for two plates: \$56 (\$50 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 17 2. Renewal Fee: Do not renew annually.
- 18 (h) Members of Congress:
- 19 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 20 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 21 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 22 (i) Firefighters:
- 23 1. Initial Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 24 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
- 25 (j) Emergency management:
- 26 1. Initial Fee: \$31 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).
 27 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

1 (k) Fraternal Order of Police:

2 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
3 FOP Death Benefit Fund).

4 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
5 FOP Death Benefit Fund).

6 (l) Law Enforcement Memorial:

7 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky Law
8 Enforcement Memorial Foundation, Inc.).

9 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky Law
10 Enforcement Memorial Foundation, Inc.).

11 (m) Personalized plates:

12 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

13 2. Renewal Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

14 (n) Street rods:

15 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

16 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

17 (o) Nature plates:

18 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky
19 Heritage Land Conservation Fund established under KRS 146.570).

20 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky
21 Heritage Land Conservation Fund established under KRS 146.570).

22 (p) Amateur radio:

23 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

24 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

25 (q) Kentucky General Assembly:

26 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

27 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'

1 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

2 (r) Kentucky Court of Justice:

3 1. Initial Fee: \$43 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

4 2. Renewal Fee: \$11 (\$0 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
5 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).

6 (s) Masons:

7 1. Initial Fee: \$31 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

8 2. Renewal Fee: \$18 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$0 EF).

9 (t) Collegiate plates:

10 1. Initial Fee: \$53 (\$37 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the general
11 scholarship fund of the university whose name will be borne on the
12 plate).

13 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the general
14 scholarship fund of the university whose name will be borne on the
15 plate).

16 (u) Independent Colleges:

17 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Association of
18 Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities for distribution to the
19 general scholarship funds of the Association's members).

20 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Association of
21 Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities for distribution to the
22 general scholarship funds of the Association's members).

23 (v) Child Victims:

24 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the child victims'
25 trust fund established under KRS 41.400).

26 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the child victims'
27 trust fund established under KRS 41.400).

1 (w) Kentucky Horse Council:

2 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
3 Horse Council).

4 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the Kentucky
5 Horse Council).

6 (x) Ducks Unlimited:

7 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky Ducks
8 Unlimited).

9 2. Renewal Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to Kentucky Ducks
10 Unlimited).

11 (y) Spay neuter:

12 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the animal control
13 and care fund established under KRS 258.119).

14 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the animal control
15 and care fund established under KRS 258.119).

16 (z) Gold Star Mothers, Gold Star Fathers, or Gold Star Spouses:

17 1. Initial Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/ \$0 EF).

18 2. Renewal Fee: \$0 (\$0 SF/\$0 CF/ \$0 EF).

19 3. A person may receive a maximum of two (2) plates under this paragraph
20 free of charge and may purchase additional plates for fees as established
21 in subsection (2)(d) of this section.

22 (aa) I Support Veterans:

23 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the Kentucky
24 Department of Veterans' Affairs).

25 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the Kentucky
26 Department of Veterans' Affairs).

27 (ab) Gold Star Siblings, Gold Star Sons, or Gold Star Daughters:

- 1 1. Initial Fee: \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF to the veterans'
 2 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 3 2. Renewal Fee: \$23 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$5 EF to the veterans'
 4 program trust fund established under KRS 40.460).
- 5 (ac) Special license plates established between June 20, 2005, and June 27, 2019:
- 6 1. Initial Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF).
- 7 2. Renewal Fee: \$41 (\$25 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF).
- 8 (ad) Special license plates established under KRS 186.164 on or after June 27,
 9 2019:
- 10 1. Initial Fee: \$40 (\$24 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF).
- 11 2. Renewal Fee \$28 (\$12 SF/\$6 CF/\$10 EF).
- 12 (3) Any special license plate may be combined with a personalized license plate for a
 13 twenty-five dollar (\$25) state fee in addition to all other fees for the particular
 14 special license plate established in this section and in KRS 186.164(3). The twenty-
 15 five dollar (\$25) fee required under this subsection shall be divided between the
 16 cabinet and the county clerk of the county where the applicant is applying for the
 17 license plate with the cabinet receiving twenty dollars (\$20) and the county clerk
 18 receiving five dollars (\$5).
- 19 (4) Owners and lessees of motorcycles registered under KRS 186.050(2) may be
 20 eligible to receive special license plates issued under this section or established
 21 under the provisions of KRS 186.164 after the cabinet has received three hundred
 22 (300) applications and initial state fees from the sponsoring organization.
 23 Applicants for a special license plate for a motorcycle shall be required to pay the
 24 fee for a special plate as prescribed in this section or in KRS 186.164. The fee paid
 25 for the special plate for a motorcycle shall be in lieu of the registration fee required
 26 under KRS 186.050(2).