



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Creates the "Ohio Statehouse" license plate and requires the contributions that persons pay when obtaining the license plate to be paid into the existing Capitol Square Renovation Gift Fund.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

"Ohio Statehouse" license plate

The bill creates the "Ohio Statehouse" license plate. The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles may apply to the Registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of "Ohio Statehouse" license plates. The application for "Ohio Statehouse" license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate provided in current law. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance with the bill's requirements, the Registrar is required to issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "Ohio Statehouse" license plates with a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by current law.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed on license plates, "Ohio Statehouse" license plates must be inscribed with words and markings selected and designed by the Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board and approved by the Registrar. "Ohio Statehouse" license plates must bear county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or ordinance.¹

¹ R.C. 4503.526(A).

"Ohio Statehouse" license plates and validation stickers are issued upon payment of the regular tax prescribed in current law, any applicable local motor vehicle tax, a Bureau of Motor Vehicles administrative fee of \$10, a contribution of \$25, and the applicant's compliance with all other applicable laws relating to motor vehicle registration. If the application for "Ohio Statehouse" license plates is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate, the applicant also must pay the applicable additional special reserved license plate fee.²

The bill requires the Registrar to transmit the \$25 contributions received under the bill to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the existing Capitol Square Renovation Gift Fund.³ The Registrar must deposit the \$10 BMV administrative fee, the purpose of which is to compensate the BMV for additional services required in issuing "Ohio Statehouse" license plates, into the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund.⁴

HISTORY

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² R.C. 4503.526(B).

³ R.C. 4503.526(C)(1).

⁴ R.C. 4503.526(C)(2).

