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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to distinctive motor vehicle license plates;
5 to amend Section 32-6-281, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide
6 for the distribution of proceeds of sales of distinctive motor
7 vehicle license plates to emergency medical services
8 providers.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. Section 32-6-281, Code of Alabama 1975, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 "§32-6-281

13 (a) As used in this section, "emergency medical
14 services provider" or "EMSP" means a paramedic, emergency
15 medical technician - intermediate, advanced emergency medical
16 technician, or emergency medical technician who is currently
17 licensed with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Office
18 of Emergency Medical Services.

19 (b) (1) Notwithstanding Sections 32-6-64, 32-6-67, and
20 32-6-68, an EMSP, upon application and subject to this
21 section, may be issued a distinctive motor vehicle license
22 plate as identification as an EMSP.

23 (2) In addition to the proper numbers, words, and
24 insignias used on the standard license plate issued for motor
25 vehicles, the distinctive plate issued for an EMSP shall have
26 a design created by the Alabama Department of Public Health,
27 Office of Emergency Medical Services.

28 (c) (1) The distinctive license plate provided in this



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29 section shall be approved by the Commissioner of Revenue and
30 shall be issued through the judge of probate, license
31 commissioner, or other license issuing official of the several
32 counties of the state in the same manner as are other motor
33 vehicle license plates or tags ~~and the officers shall be~~
34 ~~entitled to their regular fees for the service.~~

35 (2) Proof of licensure as an EMSP shall be verified
36 using the public license search on the Alabama Department of
37 Public Health, Office of Emergency Medical Services website.
38 Only an active, unexpired EMSP, as verified, may obtain a
39 distinctive EMSP plate.

40 (3) The distinctive license plate issued under this
41 section shall be used only upon and for personally owned,
42 private, passenger vehicles, to include station wagons and
43 pick-up trucks, registered in the name of the EMSP making
44 application for the license plate, and when issued to the
45 applicant shall be used upon the vehicle for which issued in
46 lieu of the standard license plate normally issued for the
47 vehicle.

48 (d) Anyone who is proven to have falsely obtained or
49 certified an individual to obtain a distinctive EMSP license
50 plate shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor, and upon
51 conviction, shall be punished according to law.

52 (e) The distinctive plate as provided by this section
53 shall be prepared and furnished for the licensing year
54 commencing January 1, 2020, and thereafter, as is provided by
55 ~~law for the issuance of other license plates~~ and shall be
56 issued, printed and processed like other distinctive and



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57 personalized plates provided for in this chapter.

58 (f) The additional revenues derived from the sale of
59 the distinctive motor vehicle license plates shall be
60 distributed by the Comptroller as follows: 50 percent to the
61 Alabama Association of Ambulance Services and 50 percent to
62 the Alabama ~~EMS~~ Emergency Medical Services Association.

63 ~~(f)~~ (g) The Department of Revenue may adopt any rules
64 necessary to administer this section."

65 Section 2. This act shall become effective on January
66 1, 2024, following its passage and approval by the Governor,
67 or its otherwise becoming law.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

House of Representatives

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 20-Apr-23 as amended.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate

11-May-23

Passed