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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1654

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE ACT OF 2005; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF THE MID SOUTH; TO ADDRESS THE INVENTORY OF THE MID-SOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATION SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FOR THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION OF THE MID SOUTH; AND TO ADDRESS THE INVENTORY OF THE MID-SOUTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATION SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 24, Subchapter 14, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

27-24-1433. Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South.

(a) The Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration shall create and issue a Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South special license plate in the manner and subject to the conditions provided for under this subchapter.

(b) The Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South special license plate shall be:



(1) Designed by the Department of Finance and Administration in consultation with Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South; and

(2) Numbered consecutively.

(c) The procedures concerning costs for issuance under § 27-24-1404(c)(1)(A) shall apply.

(d) The department shall issue a special license plate under this section to a motor vehicle owner upon payment of:

(1) The fee required by law for registration of the motor vehicle;

(2)(A) Thirty dollars (\$30.00) to cover the design-use contribution.

(B) The design-use contribution shall be remitted monthly to Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South to be used exclusively to promote and support Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South; and

(3)(A) A handling and administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10.00).

(B) The handling and administrative fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be:

(i) Deposited into the State Central Services Fund for the benefit of the Revenue Division of the Department of Finance and Administration; and

(ii) Credited to the division as supplemental and in addition to all other funds that may be deposited for the benefit of the division.

(C) The handling and administrative fee shall not be considered or credited to the division as direct revenue.

(e)(1) A special license plate issued under this section may be renewed annually or replaced under the procedures set out in § 27-24-1405.

(2) The division shall remit the fees collected under § 27-24-1405(b)(2) for the renewal of a special license plate issued under this section on a monthly basis to Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid South.

SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Mid-South Community College education special license plate.

(a) The Department of Finance and Administration shall not print, produce, or acquire additional Mid-South Community College education special

license plates.

(b) The Mid-South Community College education special license plate:

(1) Shall continue to be available for issuance and renewal under § 27-24-1005 until the existing supply of Mid-South Community College education special license plates is exhausted; and

(2) Is deemed to have been repealed for purposes of § 27-24-111(b)(1)(A).

**APPROVED: 4/8/25**