

c. If the election under section 172(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is made, the Iowa net operating loss shall be carried forward ~~fifteen~~ twenty taxable years.

Sec. 9. Section 422.73, Code 1997, is amended by adding the following new subsection: NEW SUBSECTION. 3. Notwithstanding subsection 2, a claim for credit or refund of the income tax paid is considered timely if the claim is filed with the department on or before June 30, 1999, if the taxpayer's federal income tax was refunded due to a provision in the federal Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, Pub. L. No. 105-34, which affected the federal adjusted gross incomes of individuals or estates and trusts, or affected the taxable incomes of corporate taxpayers.

Sec. 10. Sections 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7 of this Act apply retroactively to January 1, 1997, for tax years beginning on or after that date.

Sec. 11. Section 4 of this Act applies retroactively to tax years ending after August 5, 1997.

Sec. 12. Sections 5 and 8 of this Act apply retroactively to net operating losses and casualty losses arising in taxable years beginning after August 5, 1997.

Sec. 13. Section 9 of this Act applies retroactively to January 1, 1977, for tax years beginning on or after that date.

Sec. 14. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Approved April 10, 1998

CHAPTER 1079

SPECIAL MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES

S.F. 2023

AN ACT relating to the issuance of United States armed forces retired special plates, to the issuance of ex-prisoner of war motor vehicle registration plates to surviving spouses and to the issuance of emergency medical services motor vehicle registration plates and establishing fees.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 321.34, subsection 8A, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code Supplement 1997, is amended to read as follows:

The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special plates under this subsection may continue to use or apply for and use the special plates subject to registration of the special plates in the surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the annual registration fee. If the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special plates to the department and the department shall issue regular registration plates to the surviving spouse.

Sec. 2. Section 321.34, subsection 19, Code Supplement 1997, is amended to read as follows:

19. UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES RETIRED SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 12 who is a retired member of the United States armed forces, may, upon written application to the department and upon presentation of satisfactory proof of membership, order special registration plates with a United States armed forces retired processed

emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the department in consultation with service organizations. The application is subject to approval by the department. For purposes of this subsection, a person is considered to be retired if the person served twenty years or longer in the United States armed forces or is a person who served a minimum of ten years and received an honorable discharge from service due to a medical disqualification.

Sec. 3. Section 321.34, Code Supplement 1997, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 10A. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PLATES. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration pursuant to section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, or travel trailer who is a current member of a paid or volunteer emergency medical services agency, may upon written application to the department, order special registration plates, designed by the department in cooperation with representatives designated by the Iowa emergency medical services association, which plates signify that the applicant is a current member of a paid or volunteer emergency medical services agency. The application shall be approved by the department, in consultation with representatives designated by the Iowa emergency medical services association, and the special registration plates shall be issued to the applicant in exchange for the registration plates previously issued to the person. The fee for the special plates shall be twenty-five dollars which shall be in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The department shall validate the special plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are validated under this section at the regular annual registration fee.

Approved April 13, 1998

CHAPTER 1080

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

S.F. 2085

AN ACT relating to the responsibilities of the department of transportation, including vehicle equipment and parking regulation, postings of highway weight restrictions, and receipt of plans for city street construction.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 312.15, Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:
312.15 WHEN FUNDS NOT ALLOCATED.

Funds shall not be allocated to any city until such city shall have complied with the provisions of sections 312.11, ~~312.12~~ and 312.14.

If a city has not complied with the provisions of section 312.14, the treasurer of state shall withhold funds allocated to the city until the city complies. If a city has not complied with the provisions of section 312.14 by December 31 following the date the report was required, funds shall not be allocated to the city until the city has complied and all funds withheld under this paragraph shall revert to the street construction fund of the cities.

The department shall notify the treasurer of state if any city fails to comply with the provisions of sections 312.11, ~~312.12~~ and 312.14.

Sec. 2. Section 321.231, subsection 4, Code Supplement 1997, is amended to read as follows: