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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to Iowa motor vehicle registration plates, by  
2 providing for special United States armed forces retired  
3 plates, and special silver and bronze star plates, providing  
4 for special registration plates with distinguishing processed  
5 emblems, providing for required plate specifications, making  
6 penalties applicable, and providing an effective date.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

**HOUSE FILE 514**

H-3731

1 Amend House File 514 as follows:  
2 1. Page 9, lines 4 and 5, by striking the words  
3 ", including any plate issued pursuant to section  
4 321.34,".

By WARNSTADT of Woodbury

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1 Section 1. Section 321.34, subsection 3, Code 1995, is  
2 amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:  
3 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Registration plates issued  
4 pursuant to this subsection shall, consistent with the  
5 requirements of this subsection, comply with the requirements  
6 of section 321.166.

7 Sec. 2. Section 321.34, subsection 5, Code 1995, is  
8 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Registration plates issued pursuant to  
10 this subsection shall, consistent with the requirements of  
11 this subsection, comply with the requirements of section  
12 321.166.

13 Sec. 3. Section 321.34, subsection 11, Code 1995, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15 11. CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR PLATES. The owner of a  
16 motor vehicle subject to registration under section 321.109,  
17 subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck or  
18 pickup who has been awarded the congressional medal of honor  
19 may, upon written application to the department, order special  
20 registration plates which shall be red, white, and blue in  
21 color and shall bear an emblem of the congressional medal of  
22 honor and an identifying number. Each applicant applying for  
23 special registration plates under this subsection may purchase  
24 only one set of registration plates under this subsection.  
25 The application is subject to approval by the department and  
26 the special registration plates shall be issued to the  
27 applicant in exchange for the registration plates previously  
28 issued to the person. The special plates are subject to an  
29 annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The department  
30 shall validate the special plates in the same manner as  
31 regular registration plates are validated under this section.  
32 The department shall not issue special registration plates  
33 until service organizations in the state have furnished the  
34 department either the special dies or the cost of the special  
35 dies necessary for the manufacture of the special registration

1 plate. Special plates issued pursuant to this subsection are  
2 not subject to the requirements of section 321.34, subsection  
3 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9, and 10, or the  
4 requirement to have the county name on the special plate as  
5 provided in section 321.166, subsection 2.

6 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special  
7 plates under this subsection may continue to use the special  
8 plates subject to registration of the special plates in the  
9 surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the fifteen dollar  
10 annual registration fee. If the surviving spouse remarries,  
11 the surviving spouse shall return the special plates to the  
12 department and the department shall issue regular registration  
13 plates to the surviving spouse.

14 Sec. 4. Section 321.34, subsection 16, Code 1995, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 16. FIRE FIGHTER PLATES. The owner of a motor vehicle  
17 subject to registration pursuant to section 321.109,  
18 subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck,  
19 pickup, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, or travel trailer  
20 who is a current or former member of a paid or volunteer fire  
21 department, may upon written application to the department,  
22 order special registration plates, designed by the department  
23 in cooperation with representatives designated by the Iowa  
24 fire fighters' associations, which plates signify that the  
25 applicant is a current or former member of a paid or volunteer  
26 fire department. The application shall be approved by the  
27 department, in consultation with representatives designated by  
28 the Iowa fire fighters' associations, and the special  
29 registration plates shall be issued to the applicant in  
30 exchange for the registration plates previously issued to the  
31 person. The fee for the special plates shall be twenty-five  
32 dollars which shall be in addition to the regular annual  
33 registration fee. The department shall validate the special  
34 plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are  
35 validated under this section at the regular annual

1 registration fee. Special plates issued pursuant to this  
2 subsection are not subject to the requirements of section  
3 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9,  
4 and 10, and the requirement to have the county name on the  
5 special plate as provided in section 321.166, subsection 2.

6 Sec. 5. Section 321.34, subsection 17, Code 1995, is  
7 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

8 NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Special plates issued pursuant to this  
9 subsection are not subject to the requirements of section  
10 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9,  
11 and 10.

12 Sec. 6. Section 321.34, Code 1995, is amended by adding  
13 the following new subsections:

14 NEW SUBSECTION. 18. SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES --  
15 GENERAL PROVISIONS.

16 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
17 pursuant to section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery  
18 truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose  
19 vehicle, or travel trailer may, upon written application to  
20 the department, order special registration plates with a  
21 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section  
22 or as approved by the department. The fee for the issuance of  
23 special registration plates is twenty-five dollars for each  
24 vehicle, unless otherwise provided by this section, which fee  
25 is in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The  
26 county treasurer shall validate special registration plates  
27 with a distinguishing processed emblem in the same manner as  
28 regular registration plates, upon payment of five dollars in  
29 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

30 b. Upon receipt of a special registration plate with a  
31 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section  
32 or as approved by the department, the applicant shall  
33 surrender the regular registration plates to the county  
34 treasurer. An applicant no longer eligible for a special  
35 registration plate shall surrender the special vehicle

1 registration plates to the county treasurer for issuance of  
2 regular registration plates.

3 c. An applicant may, upon payment of the additional fee  
4 for a personalized plate as provided in subsection 5, obtain a  
5 personalized special registration plate with a processed  
6 emblem. Personalized plates authorized by this section with  
7 the processed emblem shall be limited to no more than five  
8 initials, letters, or combinations of numerals and letters.

9 NEW SUBSECTION. 19. NEW SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES --  
10 DEPARTMENT REVIEW.

11 a. Any person may submit a request to the department to  
12 recommend a new special registration plate with a processed  
13 emblem. The request shall provide a proposed design for the  
14 processed emblem, the purpose of the special registration  
15 plate with the processed emblem, any eligibility requirements  
16 for purchase or receipt of the special registration plate with  
17 the processed emblem, and evidence there is sufficient  
18 interest in the special registration plate with the processed  
19 emblem to pay implementation costs. The department shall  
20 consider the request and make a recommendation based upon  
21 criteria established by the department which shall include  
22 consideration of the information included in the request, the  
23 number of special registration plates with processed emblems  
24 currently authorized, and any other relevant factors.

25 b. If a request for a proposed special registration plate  
26 with a processed emblem meets the criteria established by the  
27 department, the department shall, in consultation with the  
28 persons seeking the special registration plate with the  
29 processed emblem, approve a recommended design for the  
30 processed emblem, and propose eligibility requirements for the  
31 special registration plate with the processed emblem.

32 c. If the department recommends approval of a proposed  
33 special registration plate, the department shall forward the  
34 recommendation to the committees on transportation of the  
35 general assembly by January 15 of each year. The proposed

1 special registration plate shall not be issued unless the  
2 special registration plate is enacted into law.

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 20. HANDICAPPED SPECIAL PLATES. An owner  
4 referred to in subsection 18, who is a handicapped person, or  
5 who is the parent or guardian of a child who resides with the  
6 parent or guardian owner and who is a handicapped person, as  
7 defined in section 321L.1, may, upon written application to  
8 the department, order special registration plates with a  
9 handicapped processed emblem designed by the department  
10 bearing the international symbol of accessibility. The  
11 special registration plates with a handicapped processed  
12 emblem shall only be issued if the application is accompanied  
13 with a statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148,  
14 149, 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter  
15 151, written on the physician's or chiropractor's stationery,  
16 stating the nature of the applicant's or the applicant's  
17 child's handicap and such additional information as required  
18 by rules adopted by the department, including proof of  
19 residency of a child who is a handicapped person. If the  
20 application is approved by the department the special  
21 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall  
22 be issued to the applicant. There shall be no fee in addition  
23 to the regular annual registration fee for the special  
24 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem. The  
25 authorization for special registration plates with a  
26 handicapped processed emblem shall not be renewed without the  
27 applicant furnishing evidence to the department that the owner  
28 of the motor vehicle or the owner's child is still a  
29 handicapped person as defined in section 321L.1, unless the  
30 applicant has previously provided satisfactory evidence to the  
31 department that the owner of the vehicle or the owner's child  
32 is permanently handicapped in which case the furnishing of  
33 additional evidence shall not be required for renewal.  
34 However, an owner who has a child who is a handicapped person  
35 shall provide satisfactory evidence to the department that the

1 handicapped child continues to reside with the owner. The  
2 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall  
3 be surrendered in exchange for regular registration plates as  
4 provided in subsection 18 when the owner of the motor vehicle  
5 or the owner's child no longer qualifies as a handicapped  
6 person as defined in section 321L.1 or when the owner's child  
7 who is a handicapped person no longer resides with the owner.

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 21. EX-PRISONER OF WAR SPECIAL PLATES.

9 An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was a prisoner of  
10 war during the second world war at any time between December  
11 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, the Korean conflict at any  
12 time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, or the  
13 Vietnam conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and June  
14 30, 1973, all dates inclusive, may upon written application to  
15 the department, order special registration plates with an ex-  
16 prisoner of war processed emblem with the emblem designed by  
17 the department in cooperation with the adjutant general which  
18 emblem signifies that the owner was a prisoner of war as  
19 described in this subsection. The application is subject to  
20 approval by the department, in consultation with the adjutant  
21 general.

22 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special  
23 plates under this subsection may continue to use the special  
24 plates subject to registration of the special plates in the  
25 surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the annual  
26 registration fee. If the surviving spouse remarries, the  
27 surviving spouse shall return the special plates to the  
28 department and the department shall issue regular registration  
29 plates to the surviving spouse.

30 NEW SUBSECTION. 22. NATIONAL GUARD SPECIAL PLATES. An  
31 owner referred to in subsection 18, who is a member of the  
32 national guard, as defined in chapter 29A, may upon written  
33 application to the department, order special registration  
34 plates with a national guard processed emblem with the emblem  
35 designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant

1 general which emblem signifies that the applicant is a member  
2 of the national guard. The application shall be approved by  
3 the department in consultation with the adjutant general.

4 Special registration plates with a national guard processed  
5 emblem shall be surrendered, as provided in subsection 18, in  
6 exchange for regular registration plates upon termination of  
7 the owner's membership in the active national guard.

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 23. COLLEGIATE SPECIAL PLATES.

9 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
10 director may issue to an owner referred to in subsection 18,  
11 special registration plates with a collegiate processed  
12 emblem. The collegiate emblem shall be designed for each of  
13 the three state universities by the department in consultation  
14 with the respective university.

15 b. In addition to the fee for a special registration plate  
16 with a processed emblem as provided by subsection 18, a  
17 special collegiate plate fee of twenty-five dollars shall be  
18 assessed. Notwithstanding section 423.24 and prior to the  
19 revenues being credited to the road use tax fund under section  
20 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the treasurer of state  
21 shall credit monthly from those revenues respectively, to Iowa  
22 state university of science and technology, the university of  
23 northern Iowa, and the state university of Iowa, the amount of  
24 the special collegiate plate fees collected in the previous  
25 month for special plates with a collegiate processed emblem  
26 designed for the university. The moneys credited are  
27 appropriated to the respective universities to be used for  
28 scholarships for students attending the universities.

29 NEW SUBSECTION. 24. PEARL HARBOR SPECIAL PLATES. An  
30 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was at Pearl Harbor,  
31 Hawaii, as a member of the armed services of the United States  
32 on December 7, 1941, may, upon written application to the  
33 department, order special registration plates with a Pearl  
34 Harbor processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
35 department in consultation with service organizations. The

1 application is subject to approval by the department.

2 NEW SUBSECTION. 25. PURPLE HEART SPECIAL PLATES. An  
3 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a purple  
4 heart medal by the United States government for wounds  
5 received in military or naval combat against an armed enemy of  
6 the United States, may upon written application to the  
7 department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the award  
8 of the purple heart medal, order special registration plates  
9 with a purple heart processed emblem. The design of the  
10 emblem shall include a representation of a purple heart medal  
11 and ribbon. The application is subject to approval by the  
12 department in consultation with the adjutant general.

13 NEW SUBSECTION. 26. UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES RETIRED  
14 SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 18, who is  
15 a retired member of the United States armed forces, may, upon  
16 written application to the department and upon presentation of  
17 satisfactory proof of membership, order special registration  
18 plates with a United States armed forces retired processed  
19 emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the department in  
20 consultation with service organizations. The application is  
21 subject to approval by the department. For purposes of this  
22 subsection, a person is considered to be retired if the person  
23 served twenty years or longer in the United States armed  
24 forces.

25 NEW SUBSECTION. 27. SILVER OR BRONZE STAR PLATES. An  
26 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a silver  
27 or a bronze star by the United States government, may upon  
28 written application to the department and presentation of  
29 satisfactory proof of the award of the silver or bronze star,  
30 order special registration plates. The emblem shall be  
31 designed by the department in consultation with the adjutant  
32 general.

33 Sec. 7. Section 321.166, subsection 2, Code 1995, is  
34 amended to read as follows:

35 2. Every registration plate or pair of plates shall

1 display a registration plate number which shall consist of  
2 alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination thereof  
3 and the name of this state, which may be abbreviated. Every  
4 registration plate issued by the county treasurer, including  
5 any plate issued pursuant to section 321.34, shall display the  
6 name of the county except plates issued for truck tractors,  
7 motorcycles, motorized bicycles, travel trailers, semitrailers  
8 and trailers. The year of expiration or the date of expiration  
9 shall be displayed on vehicle registration plates, except  
10 plates issued under section 321.19. Special truck  
11 registration plates shall display the word "special".

12 Sec. 8. Section 321.166, subsection 5, Code 1995, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 5. There shall be a marked contrast between the color of  
15 the registration plates and the data which is required to be  
16 displayed on the registration plates. When a new series of  
17 registration plates is issued to replace a current series, the  
18 new registration plates shall be of a distinctively different  
19 color from the series which is replaced, ~~except for collegiate~~  
20 ~~registration plates issued under section 321.34, subsection~~  
21 ~~10.~~

22 Sec. 9. Section 321.166, Code 1995, is amended by adding  
23 the following new subsections:

24 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Except as otherwise provided by law,  
25 special registration plates issued pursuant to section 321.34  
26 beginning January 1, 1997, shall be consistent with the design  
27 and color of regular registration plates but shall provide a  
28 space on a portion of the plate for the purpose of allowing  
29 the placement of a distinguishing processed emblem. Special  
30 registration plates shall also comply with the requirements  
31 for regular registration plates as provided in this section to  
32 the extent the requirements are consistent with the section  
33 authorizing a particular special vehicle registration plate.

34 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. Whenever the department reissues a  
35 new plate design and an issuance fee is provided, all current

1 owners who have purchased or obtained special plates shall be  
2 required to apply for the new special plate but shall not be  
3 required to pay the issuance fee.

4 Sec. 10. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code  
5 1995, is amended to read as follows:

6 a. A handicapped resident of the state desiring a  
7 handicapped identification device shall apply to the  
8 department upon an application form furnished by the  
9 department providing the applicant's name, address, date of  
10 birth, and social security number and shall also provide a  
11 statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148, 149,  
12 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter 151, or  
13 a physician or chiropractor licensed to practice in a  
14 contiguous state, written on the physician's or chiropractor's  
15 stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's handicap and  
16 such additional information as required by rules adopted by  
17 the department under section 321L.8. Handicapped registration  
18 plates must be ordered pursuant to section 321.34~~7~~-~~subsection~~  
19 7. A handicapped person may apply for either one temporary or  
20 one permanent handicapped identification hanging device.  
21 Persons who seek a permanent handicapped identification device  
22 shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial application  
23 that they are permanently handicapped. A person who has  
24 provided satisfactory evidence to the department that the  
25 person is permanently handicapped shall not be required to  
26 furnish evidence of being handicapped at a later date, unless  
27 the department deems it necessary. Persons who seek only  
28 temporary handicapped identification stickers or hanging  
29 devices shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial  
30 application that they are temporarily handicapped and, in  
31 addition, furnish evidence at three-month intervals that they  
32 remain temporarily handicapped. Temporary handicapped  
33 identification stickers and hanging devices shall be of a  
34 distinctively different color from permanent handicapped  
35 identification stickers and hanging devices.

1 Sec. 11. Section 321.34, subsections 7 through 10, 12, 13,  
2 and 14, Code 1995, are amended by striking the subsections  
3 effective January 1, 1997. However, all special plates issued  
4 pursuant to section 321.34, subsections 7 through 10, 12, 13,  
5 and 14, Code 1995, shall remain valid through the month of  
6 expiration in 1997.

7 Sec. 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,  
8 1997.

9 EXPLANATION

10 This bill provides that most special registration plates  
11 authorized pursuant to section 321.34 will be replaced in 1997  
12 with a corresponding special plate that is consistent in  
13 design and color to regular registration plates but that  
14 provides a space on a part of the plate for a special  
15 processed emblem identifying the special plate. Of the  
16 special plates currently authorized by section 321.34, only  
17 the congressional medal of honor, fire fighter, and natural  
18 resources plates will not be replaced in 1997 and are not  
19 required to conform to the requirements for special processed  
20 emblem plates.

21 The bill provides that radio operator and personalized  
22 plates shall be required to have the county name on the plate.

23 The bill also authorizes the surviving spouse of an  
24 individual who was eligible for a congressional medal of honor  
25 and ex-prisoner of war plate to obtain that plate.

26 The bill establishes the general provisions applicable to  
27 the special registration plates with a processed emblem and  
28 provides a procedure for an individual or group seeking a new  
29 special plate to seek a recommendation for that plate from the  
30 department of transportation. The bill provides that the  
31 department of transportation shall forward its recommendations  
32 concerning a new special plate to the transportation  
33 committees of the legislature by January 15 of each year. The  
34 bill provides that the legislature must still enact  
35 legislation approving a new special plate before it can be

1 issued.

2 The bill also provides that owners with special plates that  
3 must be replaced during 1997 shall be able to obtain a  
4 replacement special plate without having to pay the issuance  
5 fee for that plate. The bill also provides that the special  
6 plates subject to replacement shall be replaced during the  
7 month of the owner's registration during 1997 and not all on  
8 January 1, 1997.

9 The bill takes effect on January 1, 1997.

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## HOUSE FILE 514

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1 Amend House File 514 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the  
3 following:

4 "Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 285.8, Code 1995, is amended by  
5 adding the following new subsection:

6 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Administer and distribute  
7 moneys credited to the Iowa education transportation  
8 enhancement fund established pursuant to section  
9 285.8A.

10 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. 285.8A IOWA EDUCATION  
11 TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT FUND.

12 1. An Iowa education transportation enhancement  
13 fund is created in the office of the treasurer of  
14 state. The fund consists of all revenues and all  
15 other moneys lawfully credited or transferred to the  
16 fund. However, moneys credited to the road use tax  
17 fund created by chapter 312 or collected pursuant to  
18 section 423.7 shall not be deposited in the fund  
19 created by this section. The department shall certify  
20 monthly the portions of the fund that are distributed  
21 as provided by this section.

22 2. The department shall establish a procedure for  
23 the distribution of moneys in the fund to local school  
24 boards to be used for the purpose of providing  
25 transportation for pupils.

26 3. The auditor of state or a certified public  
27 accountant firm appointed by the auditor of state  
28 shall conduct annual audits of all accounts and  
29 transactions of the fund.

30 4. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, interest or  
31 earnings on investments or time deposits of the moneys  
32 in the Iowa education transportation enhancement fund  
33 or any of its accounts shall be credited to the Iowa  
34 education transportation enhancement fund.

35 5. Section 8.33 does not apply to moneys  
36 appropriated under this section."

37 2. Page 8, line 30, by inserting after the word  
38 "plates" the following: "with a silver or bronze star  
39 processed emblem".

40 3. Page 8, by inserting after line 32 the  
41 following:

42 "NEW SUBSECTION. 28. EDUCATION SPECIAL PLATES.

43 a. Upon application and payment of the proper  
44 fees, the director may issue to an owner referred to  
45 in subsection 18, special registration plates with an  
46 education processed emblem. The processed emblem  
47 shall be designed by the department in cooperation  
48 with the department of education which design shall  
49 include on the plate a depiction of a school building  
50 and a flag.

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1 b. The special school transportation fee for the  
2 education special plates is thirty-five dollars and  
3 the annual special school transportation fee is ten  
4 dollars. The fees assessed pursuant to this paragraph  
5 are in addition to the fees for special registration  
6 plates with a processed emblem as provided by  
7 subsection 18. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and  
8 prior to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax  
9 fund under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph  
10 "d", the treasurer of state shall credit monthly from  
11 those revenues to the Iowa education transportation  
12 enhancement fund created pursuant to section 285.8A,  
13 the amount of the special school transportation fees  
14 collected in the previous month for the special  
15 registration plates with the education processed  
16 emblem."

17 4. Page 9, by striking lines 6 through 10 and  
18 inserting the following: "name of the county except  
19 plates issued for ~~truck tractors, motorcycles,~~  
20 ~~motorized bicycles, travel trailers, semitrailers and~~  
21 ~~trailers special trucks. The year of expiration or~~  
22 ~~the date of expiration shall be displayed on vehicle~~  
23 ~~registration plates, except plates issued under~~  
24 ~~section 321.19. Special truck".~~

25 5. Title page, line 3, by striking the words  
26 "plates, and" and inserting the following: "plates,  
27 special plates for education and an Iowa education  
28 transportation enhancement fund, and".

29 6. By renumbering as necessary.

By EDDIE of Buena Vista

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HOUSE FILE 514

H-3701

1 Amend House File 514 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by inserting before line 1 the  
3 following:

4 "Sec. 101. Section 321.18, subsection 7, Code  
5 1995, is amended to read as follows:

6 7. Any school bus in this state used exclusively  
7 for the transportation of pupils to and from school or  
8 a school function or for the purposes provided in  
9 section 285.1, subsection 1, and section 285.10,  
10 subsection 9, or used exclusively for the  
11 transportation of children enrolled in a federal head  
12 start program. Upon application the department shall,  
13 without charge, issue a registration certificate and  
14 shall also issue registration plates which shall have  
15 imprinted thereon the words "Private School Bus" and a  
16 distinguishing number assigned to the applicant. Such  
17 plates shall be attached to the front and rear of each  
18 bus exempt from registration under this subsection."

19 2. Page 11, line 8, by inserting after the figure  
20 "1997." the following: "However, section 101 of this  
21 Act takes effect July 1, 1995."

22 3. Title page, line 5, by inserting after the  
23 word "emblems," the following: "providing an  
24 exception from registration for certain school  
25 buses,".

26 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By HARPER of Black Hawk

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HOUSE FILE 514  
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 59)

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A BILL FOR

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2 providing for special United States armed forces retired  
3 plates, special plates for education and an Iowa education  
4 transportation enhancement fund, and special silver and bronze  
5 star plates, providing for special registration plates with  
6 distinguishing processed emblems, providing for required plate  
7 specifications, making penalties applicable, and providing an  
8 effective date.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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House Amendments \_\_\_\_\_

1 Section 1. Section 285.8, Code 1995, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Administer and distribute moneys  
4 credited to the Iowa education transportation enhancement fund  
5 established pursuant to section 285.8A.

6 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 285.8A IOWA EDUCATION  
7 TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT FUND.

8 1. An Iowa education transportation enhancement fund is  
9 created in the office of the treasurer of state. The fund  
10 consists of all revenues and all other moneys lawfully  
11 credited or transferred to the fund. However, moneys credited  
12 to the road use tax fund created by chapter 312 or collected  
13 pursuant to section 423.7 shall not be deposited in the fund  
14 created by this section. The department shall certify monthly  
15 the portions of the fund that are distributed as provided by  
16 this section.

17 2. The department shall establish a procedure for the  
18 distribution of moneys in the fund to local school boards to  
19 be used for the purpose of providing transportation for  
20 pupils.

21 3. The auditor of state or a certified public accountant  
22 firm appointed by the auditor of state shall conduct annual  
23 audits of all accounts and transactions of the fund.

24 4. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, interest or earnings on  
25 investments or time deposits of the moneys in the Iowa  
26 education transportation enhancement fund or any of its  
27 accounts shall be credited to the Iowa education  
28 transportation enhancement fund.

29 5. Section 8.33 does not apply to moneys appropriated  
30 under this section.

31 Sec. 3. Section 321.34, subsection 3, Code 1995, is  
32 amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

33 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Registration plates issued  
34 pursuant to this subsection shall, consistent with the  
35 requirements of this subsection, comply with the requirements

1 of section 321.166.

2 Sec. 4. Section 321.34, subsection 5, Code 1995, is  
3 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

4 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Registration plates issued pursuant to  
5 this subsection shall, consistent with the requirements of  
6 this subsection, comply with the requirements of section  
7 321.166.

8 Sec. 5. Section 321.34, subsection 11, Code 1995, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 11. CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR PLATES. The owner of a  
11 motor vehicle subject to registration under section 321.109,  
12 subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck or  
13 pickup who has been awarded the congressional medal of honor  
14 may, upon written application to the department, order special  
15 registration plates which shall be red, white, and blue in  
16 color and shall bear an emblem of the congressional medal of  
17 honor and an identifying number. Each applicant applying for  
18 special registration plates under this subsection may purchase  
19 only one set of registration plates under this subsection.  
20 The application is subject to approval by the department and  
21 the special registration plates shall be issued to the  
22 applicant in exchange for the registration plates previously  
23 issued to the person. The special plates are subject to an  
24 annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The department  
25 shall validate the special plates in the same manner as  
26 regular registration plates are validated under this section.  
27 The department shall not issue special registration plates  
28 until service organizations in the state have furnished the  
29 department either the special dies or the cost of the special  
30 dies necessary for the manufacture of the special registration  
31 plate. Special plates issued pursuant to this subsection are  
32 not subject to the requirements of section 321.34, subsection  
33 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9, and 10, or the  
34 requirement to have the county name on the special plate as  
35 provided in section 321.166, subsection 2.

1 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special  
2 plates under this subsection may continue to use the special  
3 plates subject to registration of the special plates in the  
4 surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the fifteen dollar  
5 annual registration fee. If the surviving spouse remarries,  
6 the surviving spouse shall return the special plates to the  
7 department and the department shall issue regular registration  
8 plates to the surviving spouse.

9 Sec. 6. Section 321.34, subsection 16, Code 1995, is  
10 amended to read as follows:

11 16. FIRE FIGHTER PLATES. The owner of a motor vehicle  
12 subject to registration pursuant to section 321.109,  
13 subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck,  
14 pickup, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, or travel trailer  
15 who is a current or former member of a paid or volunteer fire  
16 department, may upon written application to the department,  
17 order special registration plates, designed by the department  
18 in cooperation with representatives designated by the Iowa  
19 fire fighters' associations, which plates signify that the  
20 applicant is a current or former member of a paid or volunteer  
21 fire department. The application shall be approved by the  
22 department, in consultation with representatives designated by  
23 the Iowa fire fighters' associations, and the special  
24 registration plates shall be issued to the applicant in  
25 exchange for the registration plates previously issued to the  
26 person. The fee for the special plates shall be twenty-five  
27 dollars which shall be in addition to the regular annual  
28 registration fee. The department shall validate the special  
29 plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are  
30 validated under this section at the regular annual  
31 registration fee. Special plates issued pursuant to this  
32 subsection are not subject to the requirements of section  
33 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9,  
34 and 10, and the requirement to have the county name on the  
35 special plate as provided in section 321.166, subsection 2.

1     Sec. 7. Section 321.34, subsection 17, Code 1995, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3     NEW PARAGRAPH. e. Special plates issued pursuant to this  
4 subsection are not subject to the requirements of section  
5 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166, subsections 5, 9,  
6 and 10.

7     Sec. 8. Section 321.34, Code 1995, is amended by adding  
8 the following new subsections:

9     NEW SUBSECTION. 18. SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES --  
10 GENERAL PROVISIONS.

11     a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
12 pursuant to section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery  
13 truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose  
14 vehicle, or travel trailer may, upon written application to  
15 the department, order special registration plates with a  
16 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section  
17 or as approved by the department. The fee for the issuance of  
18 special registration plates is twenty-five dollars for each  
19 vehicle, unless otherwise provided by this section, which fee  
20 is in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The  
21 county treasurer shall validate special registration plates  
22 with a distinguishing processed emblem in the same manner as  
23 regular registration plates, upon payment of five dollars in  
24 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

25     b. Upon receipt of a special registration plate with a  
26 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section  
27 or as approved by the department, the applicant shall  
28 surrender the regular registration plates to the county  
29 treasurer. An applicant no longer eligible for a special  
30 registration plate shall surrender the special vehicle  
31 registration plates to the county treasurer for issuance of  
32 regular registration plates.

33     c. An applicant may, upon payment of the additional fee  
34 for a personalized plate as provided in subsection 5, obtain a  
35 personalized special registration plate with a processed

1 emblem. Personalized plates authorized by this section with  
2 the processed emblem shall be limited to no more than five  
3 initials, letters, or combinations of numerals and letters.

4 NEW SUBSECTION. 19. NEW SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES --  
5 DEPARTMENT REVIEW.

6 a. Any person may submit a request to the department to  
7 recommend a new special registration plate with a processed  
8 emblem. The request shall provide a proposed design for the  
9 processed emblem, the purpose of the special registration  
10 plate with the processed emblem, any eligibility requirements  
11 for purchase or receipt of the special registration plate with  
12 the processed emblem, and evidence there is sufficient  
13 interest in the special registration plate with the processed  
14 emblem to pay implementation costs. The department shall  
15 consider the request and make a recommendation based upon  
16 criteria established by the department which shall include  
17 consideration of the information included in the request, the  
18 number of special registration plates with processed emblems  
19 currently authorized, and any other relevant factors.

20 b. If a request for a proposed special registration plate  
21 with a processed emblem meets the criteria established by the  
22 department, the department shall, in consultation with the  
23 persons seeking the special registration plate with the  
24 processed emblem, approve a recommended design for the  
25 processed emblem, and propose eligibility requirements for the  
26 special registration plate with the processed emblem.

27 c. If the department recommends approval of a proposed  
28 special registration plate, the department shall forward the  
29 recommendation to the committees on transportation of the  
30 general assembly by January 15 of each year. The proposed  
31 special registration plate shall not be issued unless the  
32 special registration plate is enacted into law.

33 NEW SUBSECTION. 20. HANDICAPPED SPECIAL PLATES. An owner  
34 referred to in subsection 18, who is a handicapped person, or  
35 who is the parent or guardian of a child who resides with the

1 parent or guardian owner and who is a handicapped person, as  
2 defined in section 321L.1, may, upon written application to  
3 the department, order special registration plates with a  
4 handicapped processed emblem designed by the department  
5 bearing the international symbol of accessibility. The  
6 special registration plates with a handicapped processed  
7 emblem shall only be issued if the application is accompanied  
8 with a statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148,  
9 149, 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter  
10 151, written on the physician's or chiropractor's stationery,  
11 stating the nature of the applicant's or the applicant's  
12 child's handicap and such additional information as required  
13 by rules adopted by the department, including proof of  
14 residency of a child who is a handicapped person. If the  
15 application is approved by the department the special  
16 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall  
17 be issued to the applicant. There shall be no fee in addition  
18 to the regular annual registration fee for the special  
19 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem. The  
20 authorization for special registration plates with a  
21 handicapped processed emblem shall not be renewed without the  
22 applicant furnishing evidence to the department that the owner  
23 of the motor vehicle or the owner's child is still a  
24 handicapped person as defined in section 321L.1, unless the  
25 applicant has previously provided satisfactory evidence to the  
26 department that the owner of the vehicle or the owner's child  
27 is permanently handicapped in which case the furnishing of  
28 additional evidence shall not be required for renewal.  
29 However, an owner who has a child who is a handicapped person  
30 shall provide satisfactory evidence to the department that the  
31 handicapped child continues to reside with the owner. The  
32 registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall  
33 be surrendered in exchange for regular registration plates as  
34 provided in subsection 18 when the owner of the motor vehicle  
35 or the owner's child no longer qualifies as a handicapped

1 person as defined in section 321L.1 or when the owner's child  
2 who is a handicapped person no longer resides with the owner.

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 21. EX-PRISONER OF WAR SPECIAL PLATES.

4 An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was a prisoner of  
5 war during the second world war at any time between December  
6 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, the Korean conflict at any  
7 time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, or the  
8 Vietnam conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and June  
9 30, 1973, all dates inclusive, may upon written application to  
10 the department, order special registration plates with an ex-  
11 prisoner of war processed emblem with the emblem designed by  
12 the department in cooperation with the adjutant general which  
13 emblem signifies that the owner was a prisoner of war as  
14 described in this subsection. The application is subject to  
15 approval by the department, in consultation with the adjutant  
16 general.

17 The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special  
18 plates under this subsection may continue to use the special  
19 plates subject to registration of the special plates in the  
20 surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the annual  
21 registration fee. If the surviving spouse remarries, the  
22 surviving spouse shall return the special plates to the  
23 department and the department shall issue regular registration  
24 plates to the surviving spouse.

25 NEW SUBSECTION. 22. NATIONAL GUARD SPECIAL PLATES. An

26 owner referred to in subsection 18, who is a member of the  
27 national guard, as defined in chapter 29A, may upon written  
28 application to the department, order special registration  
29 plates with a national guard processed emblem with the emblem  
30 designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant  
31 general which emblem signifies that the applicant is a member  
32 of the national guard. The application shall be approved by  
33 the department in consultation with the adjutant general.  
34 Special registration plates with a national guard processed  
35 emblem shall be surrendered, as provided in subsection 18, in

1 exchange for regular registration plates upon termination of  
2 the owner's membership in the active national guard.

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 23. COLLEGIATE SPECIAL PLATES.

4 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
5 director may issue to an owner referred to in subsection 18,  
6 special registration plates with a collegiate processed  
7 emblem. The collegiate emblem shall be designed for each of  
8 the three state universities by the department in consultation  
9 with the respective university.

10 b. In addition to the fee for a special registration plate  
11 with a processed emblem as provided by subsection 18, a  
12 special collegiate plate fee of twenty-five dollars shall be  
13 assessed. Notwithstanding section 423.24 and prior to the  
14 revenues being credited to the road use tax fund under section  
15 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the treasurer of state  
16 shall credit monthly from those revenues respectively, to Iowa  
17 state university of science and technology, the university of  
18 northern Iowa, and the state university of Iowa, the amount of  
19 the special collegiate plate fees collected in the previous  
20 month for special plates with a collegiate processed emblem  
21 designed for the university. The moneys credited are  
22 appropriated to the respective universities to be used for  
23 scholarships for students attending the universities.

24 NEW SUBSECTION. 24. PEARL HARBOR SPECIAL PLATES. An  
25 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was at Pearl Harbor,  
26 Hawaii, as a member of the armed services of the United States  
27 on December 7, 1941, may, upon written application to the  
28 department, order special registration plates with a Pearl  
29 Harbor processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
30 department in consultation with service organizations. The  
31 application is subject to approval by the department.

32 NEW SUBSECTION. 25. PURPLE HEART SPECIAL PLATES. An  
33 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a purple  
34 heart medal by the United States government for wounds  
35 received in military or naval combat against an armed enemy of

1 the United States, may upon written application to the  
2 department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the award  
3 of the purple heart medal, order special registration plates  
4 with a purple heart processed emblem. The design of the  
5 emblem shall include a representation of a purple heart medal  
6 and ribbon. The application is subject to approval by the  
7 department in consultation with the adjutant general.

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 26. UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES RETIRED  
9 SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 18, who is  
10 a retired member of the United States armed forces, may, upon  
11 written application to the department and upon presentation of  
12 satisfactory proof of membership, order special registration  
13 plates with a United States armed forces retired processed  
14 emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the department in  
15 consultation with service organizations. The application is  
16 subject to approval by the department. For purposes of this  
17 subsection, a person is considered to be retired if the person  
18 served twenty years or longer in the United States armed  
19 forces.

20 NEW SUBSECTION. 27. SILVER OR BRONZE STAR PLATES. An  
21 owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a silver  
22 or a bronze star by the United States government, may upon  
23 written application to the department and presentation of  
24 satisfactory proof of the award of the silver or bronze star,  
25 order special registration plates with a silver or bronze star  
26 processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
27 department in consultation with the adjutant general.

28 NEW SUBSECTION. 28. EDUCATION SPECIAL PLATES.

29 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
30 director may issue to an owner referred to in subsection 18,  
31 special registration plates with an education processed  
32 emblem. The processed emblem shall be designed by the  
33 department in cooperation with the department of education  
34 which design shall include on the plate a depiction of a  
35 school building and a flag.

1 b. The special school transportation fee for the education  
2 special plates is thirty-five dollars and the annual special  
3 school transportation fee is ten dollars. The fees assessed  
4 pursuant to this paragraph are in addition to the fees for  
5 special registration plates with a processed emblem as  
6 provided by subsection 18. Notwithstanding section 423.24,  
7 and prior to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax  
8 fund under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the  
9 treasurer of state shall credit monthly from those revenues to  
10 the Iowa education transportation enhancement fund created  
11 pursuant to section 285.8A, the amount of the special school  
12 transportation fees collected in the previous month for the  
13 special registration plates with the education processed  
14 emblem.

15 Sec. 9. Section 321.166, subsection 2, Code 1995, is  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 2. Every registration plate or pair of plates shall  
18 display a registration plate number which shall consist of  
19 alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination thereof  
20 and the name of this state, which may be abbreviated. Every  
21 registration plate issued by the county treasurer, including  
22 any plate issued pursuant to section 321.34, shall display the  
23 name of the county except plates issued for truck-tractors,  
24 motorcycles, motorized bicycles, travel trailers, semitrailers  
25 and trailers special trucks. The year of expiration or the  
26 date of expiration shall be displayed on vehicle registration  
27 plates, except plates issued under section 321.19. Special  
28 truck registration plates shall display the word "special".

29 Sec. 10. Section 321.166, subsection 5, Code 1995, is  
30 amended to read as follows:

31 5. There shall be a marked contrast between the color of  
32 the registration plates and the data which is required to be  
33 displayed on the registration plates. When a new series of  
34 registration plates is issued to replace a current series, the  
35 new registration plates shall be of a distinctively different

1 color from the series which is replaced~~7-except-for-collegiate~~  
2 ~~registration-plates-issued-under-section-321.347-subsection~~  
3 ~~10.~~

4 Sec. 11. Section 321.166, Code 1995, is amended by adding  
5 the following new subsections:

6 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Except as otherwise provided by law,  
7 special registration plates issued pursuant to section 321.34  
8 beginning January 1, 1997, shall be consistent with the design  
9 and color of regular registration plates but shall provide a  
10 space on a portion of the plate for the purpose of allowing  
11 the placement of a distinguishing processed emblem. Special  
12 registration plates shall also comply with the requirements  
13 for regular registration plates as provided in this section to  
14 the extent the requirements are consistent with the section  
15 authorizing a particular special vehicle registration plate.

16 NEW SUBSECTION. 10. Whenever the department reissues a  
17 new plate design and an issuance fee is provided, all current  
18 owners who have purchased or obtained special plates shall be  
19 required to apply for the new special plate but shall not be  
20 required to pay the issuance fee.

21 Sec. 12. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code  
22 1995, is amended to read as follows:

23 a. A handicapped resident of the state desiring a  
24 handicapped identification device shall apply to the  
25 department upon an application form furnished by the  
26 department providing the applicant's name, address, date of  
27 birth, and social security number and shall also provide a  
28 statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148, 149,  
29 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter 151, or  
30 a physician or chiropractor licensed to practice in a  
31 contiguous state, written on the physician's or chiropractor's  
32 stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's handicap and  
33 such additional information as required by rules adopted by  
34 the department under section 321L.8. Handicapped registration  
35 plates must be ordered pursuant to section 321.347-subsection

1 7. A handicapped person may apply for either one temporary or  
 2 one permanent handicapped identification hanging device.  
 3 Persons who seek a permanent handicapped identification device  
 4 shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial application  
 5 that they are permanently handicapped. A person who has  
 6 provided satisfactory evidence to the department that the  
 7 person is permanently handicapped shall not be required to  
 8 furnish evidence of being handicapped at a later date, unless  
 9 the department deems it necessary. Persons who seek only  
 10 temporary handicapped identification stickers or hanging  
 11 devices shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial  
 12 application that they are temporarily handicapped and, in  
 13 addition, furnish evidence at three-month intervals that they  
 14 remain temporarily handicapped. Temporary handicapped  
 15 identification stickers and hanging devices shall be of a  
 16 distinctively different color from permanent handicapped  
 17 identification stickers and hanging devices.

18 Sec. 13. Section 321.34, subsections 7 through 10, 12, 13,  
 19 and 14, Code 1995, are amended by striking the subsections  
 20 effective January 1, 1997. However, all special plates issued  
 21 pursuant to section 321.34, subsections 7 through 10, 12, 13,  
 22 and 14, Code 1995, shall remain valid through the month of  
 23 expiration in 1997.

24 Sec. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,  
 25 1997.

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**HOUSE FILE 514  
FISCAL NOTE**

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A fiscal note for House File 514 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

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House File 514 provides for the issuance of special motor vehicle registration plates beginning January 1, 1997. The new registration plate will allow space for a processed emblem which identifies the special plate. This Bill does not apply to Congressional Medal of Honor, fire fighter, or natural resources plates. Persons who currently own special plates will not be required to pay the initial fee for the new special plate. The Bill allows for the issuance of silver or bronze star plates, retired military plates, and education plates. The Bill creates the Iowa Education Transportation Enhancement Fund and establishes a fee of \$35 for the initial purchase of an education plate and an annual renewal fee of \$10.

**Assumptions**

The sale of education transportation plates will be similar to the first year sales of sesquicentennial plates or 45,000 plates. Of these, 4,500 are estimated to be personalized.

**Fiscal Effect**

Persons who currently possess special plates will not be required to pay the initial fee for the reissue of a special plate, but will pay the special plate annual renewal fee. This will result in no revenue change to the Road Use Tax Fund. The only significant fiscal effect of House File 514 will result from the establishment of the education plates.

**Revenue to the Education Transportation Enhancement Fund**

First year revenue: 45,000 plates @ \$35 = \$1,575,000

Second and subsequent year revenue: 45,000 plates @ \$10 = \$450,000

Road Use Tax Fund Revenue (revenue to the Road Use Tax Fund will come from the fees paid for personalized education plates)

First year revenue: 4,500 plates @ \$25 = \$112,500

Second and subsequent year revenue: 4,500 plates @ \$5 = \$22,500

Source: Department of Transportation

(LSB 1401hv, DLR)

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BY DENNIS PROUTY, FISCAL DIRECTOR

## HOUSE FILE 514

S-5110

Amend House File 514, as amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, as follows:

1. Page 1, by striking line 1 through line 30.

2. Page 1, by inserting before line 31 the following:

"Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 303.9A IOWA HERITAGE FUND.

1. An Iowa heritage fund is created in the state treasury to be administered by the state historical society board of trustees. The fund shall consist of all moneys allocated to the fund by the treasurer of state.

2. Moneys in the fund shall be used in accordance with the following:

a. Sixty-five percent shall be retained by the state historical society and used to maintain and expand Iowa's history curriculum, to provide teacher training in Iowa history, and to support museum exhibits, historic sites, and adult education programs.

b. Five percent shall be retained by the state historical society to be used for start-up costs for the one hundred seventy-fifth and two hundredth anniversaries of Iowa statehood.

c. Five percent shall be retained by the state historical society to be used for the promotion of the sale of the Iowa heritage registration plate issued under section 321.34."

3. By striking page 1, line 31 through page 2, line 7.

4. Page 2, line 8, by inserting after the word "Code" the following: "Supplement".

5. Page 2, by striking lines 31 through 35 and inserting the following: "plate."

6. By striking page 3, line 9 through page 4, line 6.

7. Page 4, line 7, by inserting after the word "Code" the following: "Supplement".

8. Page 8, by striking lines 3 through 23.

9. By striking page 9, line 28 through page 10, line 14.

10. Page 10, by inserting before line 15 the following:

"NEW SUBSECTION. 28. IOWA HERITAGE SPECIAL PLATES.

a. An owner referred to in subsection 18, may upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with an Iowa heritage emblem. The emblem shall contain a picture of the American gothic house and the words "Iowa Heritage" and shall be

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1 designed by the department in consultation with the  
2 state historical society of Iowa.

3 b. The special Iowa heritage fee for letter number  
4 designated plates is thirty-five dollars. The special  
5 fee for personalized Iowa heritage plates is twenty-  
6 five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the  
7 special fee of thirty-five dollars. The special fee  
8 shall be in addition to the regular annual  
9 registration fee.

10 c. The special fees collected by the director  
11 under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the  
12 treasurer of state and credited to the road use tax  
13 fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior to  
14 the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund  
15 under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the  
16 treasurer of state shall credit monthly the amount of  
17 the special fees collected in the previous month for  
18 the Iowa heritage plates from those revenues in the  
19 following manner:

20 (1) Seventy-five percent shall be credited to the  
21 Iowa heritage fund, created under section 303.9A.

22 (2) Twenty-five percent shall be allocated to the  
23 department of education. The department shall use the  
24 moneys to support teacher training in Iowa history, to  
25 purchase Iowa history classroom materials, to support  
26 student participation in Iowa history and citizenship-  
27 building activities and to create a grant program for  
28 school districts to apply for funding to support field  
29 trips to museums, historic sites, and heritage  
30 attractions."

31 11. Page 10, by striking lines 21 through 27 and  
32 inserting the following: "registration plate issued  
33 by the county treasurer shall display the name of the  
34 county ~~except-plates-issued-for-truck-tractors,~~  
35 ~~motorcycles,-motorized-bicycles,-travel-trailers,~~  
36 ~~semitrailers-and-trailers.--The-year-of-expiration-or~~  
37 ~~the-date-of-expiration-shall-be-displayed-on-vehicle~~  
38 ~~registration-plates,-except-plates-issued-under~~  
39 section-321.19, including any plate issued pursuant to  
40 section 321.34, except Pearl Harbor and purple heart  
41 registration plates issued prior to January 1, 1997,  
42 and collegiate, firefighter, and Congressional medal  
43 of honor registration plates. Special".

44 12. By striking page 10, line 29, through page  
45 11, line 3.

46 13. Page 11, lines 6 and 7, by striking the words  
47 "Except as otherwise provided by law, special" and  
48 inserting the following: "Special".

49 14. Page 11, line 8, by inserting after the  
50 figure "1997," the following: "other than

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- 1 Congressional medal of honor, collegiate, fire  
2 fighter, and natural resources registration plates,".  
3 15. Page 11, by striking lines 16 through 20 and  
4 inserting the following:  
5 "NEW SUBSECTION. 10. If the department reissues a  
6 new registration plate design for a special  
7 registration plate under section 321.34, all persons  
8 who have purchased or obtained the special  
9 registration plates shall not be required to pay the  
10 issuance fee."  
11 16. Page 11, line 21, by inserting after the word  
12 "Code" the following: "Supplement".  
13 17. Page 12, line 18, by striking the figure  
14 "10" and inserting the following: "9".  
15 18. Page 12, line 19, by inserting after the word  
16 "Code" the following: "Supplement".  
17 19. Page 12, line 21, by striking the figure "10"  
18 and inserting the following: "9".  
19 20. Page 12, line 22, by inserting after the word  
20 "Code" the following: "Supplement".  
21 21. Title page, by striking lines 3 and 4 and  
22 inserting the following: "plates, special Iowa  
23 heritage plates and an Iowa heritage fund, and special  
24 silver and bronze".  
25 22. By renumbering as necessary.

By EUGENE FRAISE  
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HOUSE FILE 514

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- 1 Amend House File 514, as amended, passed, and  
2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:  
3 1. Page 2, by inserting after line 7 the  
4 following:  
5 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 321.34, subsection 10, Code  
6 1995, is amended by adding the following new  
7 paragraph:  
8 NEW PARAGRAPH. f. Special plates issued pursuant  
9 to this subsection are not subject to the requirements  
10 of section 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166,  
11 subsections 5, 9, and 10, or the requirement to have  
12 the county name on the special plate as provided in  
13 section 321.166, subsection 2."  
14 2. Page 8, by striking lines 3 through 23.  
15 3. Page 12, line 18, by striking the figure "10"  
16 and inserting the following: "9".  
17 4. Page 12, line 21, by striking the figure "10"  
18 and inserting the following: "9".  
19 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By BILL FINK

S-3377 FILED APRIL 10, 1995

*Lost 4/11/95 (p. 1124)*

HOUSE FILE 514

S-3400

- 1 Amend House File 514, as amended, passed, and  
2 reprinted by the Senate, as follows:  
3 1. Page 2, by inserting after line 7 the  
4 following:  
5 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 321.34, subsection 10,  
6 paragraph d, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:  
7 d. The county treasurer shall validate collegiate  
8 registration plates in the same manner as regular  
9 registration plates are validated under this section  
10 at an annual fee of five dollars and an additional  
11 annual special collegiate registration fee of five  
12 dollars in addition to the regular annual registration  
13 fee. The annual special collegiate registration fee  
14 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c".  
15 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 321.34, subsection 10, Code  
16 1995, is amended by adding the following new  
17 paragraph:  
18 NEW PARAGRAPH. f. Special plates issued pursuant  
19 to this subsection are not subject to the requirements  
20 of section 321.34, subsection 18, and section 321.166,  
21 subsections 5, 9, and 10, or the requirement to have  
22 the county name on the special plate as provided in  
23 section 321.166, subsection 2."  
24 2. Page 8, by striking lines 3 through 23.  
25 3. Page 12, line 18, by striking the figure "10"  
26 and inserting the following: "9".  
27 4. Page 12, line 21, by striking the figure "10"  
28 and inserting the following: "9".  
29 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By BILL FINK

S-3400 FILED APRIL 12, 1995

*Order 3/27/96 (p. 1083)*

## HOUSE FILE 514

S-5552

1 Amend the amendment, S-5110, to House File 514, as  
2 amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, as  
3 follows:

4 1. Page 1, line 3, by striking the figure "30."  
5 and inserting the following: "30 and inserting the  
6 following:

7 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 257.31, Code 1995, is amended  
8 by adding the following new subsection:

9 NEW SUBSECTION. 17. a. If a district's average  
10 transportation costs per pupil exceed the state  
11 average transportation costs per pupil determined  
12 under paragraph "c" by one hundred fifty percent, the  
13 committee may grant transportation assistance aid to  
14 the district. Such aid shall be miscellaneous income  
15 and shall not be included in district cost.

16 b. To be eligible for transportation assistance  
17 aid, a school district shall annually certify its  
18 actual cost for all children transported in all school  
19 buses not later than July 31 after each school year on  
20 forms prescribed by the committee.

21 c. A district's average transportation costs per  
22 pupil shall be determined by dividing the district's  
23 actual cost for all children transported in all school  
24 buses for a school year pursuant to section 285.1,  
25 subsection 12, less the amount received for  
26 transporting nonpublic school pupils under section  
27 285.1, by the district's actual enrollment for the  
28 school year excluding the shared-time enrollment for  
29 the school year as defined in section 257.6. The  
30 state average transportation costs per pupil shall be  
31 determined by dividing the total actual costs for all  
32 children transported in all districts for a school  
33 year, by the total of all districts' actual  
34 enrollments for the school year.

35 d. Funds transferred to the committee in  
36 accordance with section 321.34, subsection 18, are  
37 appropriated to and may be expended for the purposes  
38 of the committee, as described in this section.  
39 However, highest priority shall be given to districts  
40 that meet the conditions described in this subsection.  
41 Notwithstanding any other provision of the Code,  
42 unencumbered or unobligated funds transferred to the  
43 committee pursuant to section 321.34, subsection 18,  
44 remaining on June 30 of the fiscal year for which the  
45 funds were transferred, shall not revert but shall be  
46 available for expenditure for the purposes of this  
47 subsection in subsequent fiscal years."

48 2. Page 2, by inserting after line 30 the  
49 following:

50 " \_\_\_\_ . Page 10, by inserting before line 15 the

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1 following:

2 "NEW SUBSECTION. 29. EDUCATION PLATES.

3 a. Upon application and payment of the proper  
4 fees, the director may issue education plates to the  
5 owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under  
6 section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery truck,  
7 panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose  
8 vehicle, or travel trailer.

9 b. Education plates shall be designed by the  
10 department in cooperation with the department of  
11 education.

12 c. The special school transportation fee for  
13 letter number designated education plates is thirty-  
14 five dollars. The fee for personalized education  
15 plates is twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in  
16 addition to the special school transportation fee of  
17 thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the  
18 director under this subsection shall be paid monthly  
19 to the treasurer of state and credited to the road use  
20 tax fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior  
21 to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund  
22 under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the  
23 treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from those  
24 revenues to the school budget review committee in  
25 accordance with section 257.31, subsection 16, the  
26 amount of the special school transportation fees  
27 collected in the previous month for the education  
28 plates.

29 d. Upon receipt of the special registration  
30 plates, the applicant shall surrender the current  
31 registration receipt and plates to the county  
32 treasurer. The county treasurer shall validate the  
33 special registration plates in the same manner as  
34 regular registration plates are validated under this  
35 section. The annual special school transportation fee  
36 for letter number designated plates is ten dollars,  
37 which shall be paid in addition to the regular annual  
38 registration fee. The annual fee for personalized  
39 education plates is five dollars, which shall be paid  
40 in addition to the annual special school  
41 transportation fee and the regular annual registration  
42 fee. The annual special school transportation fee  
43 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c"."

44 3. Page 3, line 23, by inserting after the word  
45 "fund," the following: "education plates and transfer  
46 and appropriation of revenue from the sale of the  
47 plates to the school budget review committee,".

48 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By MIKE CONNOLLY

S-5552 FILED MARCH 27, 1996

ADOPTED (p. 1083)

SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 514

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1 Amend House File 514, as amended, passed, and  
2 reprinted by the House, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, by striking line 1 through line 30 and  
4 inserting the following:

5 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 257.31, Code 1995, is amended  
6 by adding the following new subsection:

7 NEW SUBSECTION. 17. a. If a district's average  
8 transportation costs per pupil exceed the state  
9 average transportation costs per pupil determined  
10 under paragraph "c" by one hundred fifty percent, the  
11 committee may grant transportation assistance aid to  
12 the district. Such aid shall be miscellaneous income  
13 and shall not be included in district cost.

14 b. To be eligible for transportation assistance  
15 aid, a school district shall annually certify its  
16 actual cost for all children transported in all school  
17 buses not later than July 31 after each school year on  
18 forms prescribed by the committee.

19 c. A district's average transportation costs per  
20 pupil shall be determined by dividing the district's  
21 actual cost for all children transported in all school  
22 buses for a school year pursuant to section 285.1,  
23 subsection 12, less the amount received for  
24 transporting nonpublic school pupils under section  
25 285.1, by the district's actual enrollment for the  
26 school year excluding the shared-time enrollment for  
27 the school year as defined in section 257.6. The  
28 state average transportation costs per pupil shall be  
29 determined by dividing the total actual costs for all  
30 children transported in all districts for a school  
31 year, by the total of all districts' actual  
32 enrollments for the school year.

33 d. Funds transferred to the committee in  
34 accordance with section 321.34, subsection 18, are  
35 appropriated to and may be expended for the purposes  
36 of the committee, as described in this section.  
37 However, highest priority shall be given to districts  
38 that meet the conditions described in this subsection.  
39 Notwithstanding any other provision of the Code,  
40 unencumbered or unobligated funds transferred to the  
41 committee pursuant to section 321.34, subsection 18,  
42 remaining on June 30 of the fiscal year for which the  
43 funds were transferred, shall not revert but shall be  
44 available for expenditure for the purposes of this  
45 subsection in subsequent fiscal years."

46 2. Page 1, by inserting before line 31 the  
47 following:

48 "Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 303.9A IOWA HERITAGE  
49 FUND.

50 1. An Iowa heritage fund is created in the state

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1 treasury to be administered by the state historical  
2 society board of trustees. The fund shall consist of  
3 all moneys allocated to the fund by the treasurer of  
4 state.

5 2. Moneys in the fund shall be used in accordance  
6 with the following:

7 a. Sixty-five percent shall be retained by the  
8 state historical society and used to maintain and  
9 expand Iowa's history curriculum, to provide teacher  
10 training in Iowa history, and to support museum  
11 exhibits, historic sites, and adult education  
12 programs.

13 b. Five percent shall be retained by the state  
14 historical society to be used for start-up costs for  
15 the one hundred seventy-fifth and two hundredth  
16 anniversaries of Iowa statehood.

17 c. Five percent shall be retained by the state  
18 historical society to be used for the promotion of the  
19 sale of the Iowa heritage registration plate issued  
20 under section 321.34."

21 3. By striking page 1, line 31 through page 2,  
22 line 7.

23 4. Page 2, line 8, by inserting after the word  
24 "Code" the following: "Supplement".

25 5. Page 2, by striking lines 31 through 35 and  
26 inserting the following: "plate."

27 6. By striking page 3, line 9 through page 4,  
28 line 6.

29 7. Page 4, line 7, by inserting after the word  
30 "Code" the following: "Supplement".

31 8. Page 8, by striking lines 3 through 23.

32 9. By striking page 9, line 28 through page 10,  
33 line 14.

34 10. Page 10, by inserting before line 15 the  
35 following:

36 "NEW SUBSECTION. 28. IOWA HERITAGE SPECIAL  
37 PLATES.

38 a. An owner referred to in subsection 18, may upon  
39 written application to the department, order special  
40 registration plates with an Iowa heritage emblem. The  
41 emblem shall contain a picture of the American gothic  
42 house and the words "Iowa Heritage" and shall be  
43 designed by the department in consultation with the  
44 state historical society of Iowa.

45 b. The special Iowa heritage fee for letter number  
46 designated plates is thirty-five dollars. The special  
47 fee for personalized Iowa heritage plates is twenty-  
48 five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the  
49 special fee of thirty-five dollars. The special fee  
50 shall be in addition to the regular annual

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1 registration fee.

2 c. The special fees collected by the director  
3 under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the  
4 treasurer of state and credited to the road use tax  
5 fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior to  
6 the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund  
7 under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the  
8 treasurer of state shall credit monthly the amount of  
9 the special fees collected in the previous month for  
10 the Iowa heritage plates from those revenues in the  
11 following manner:

12 (1) Seventy-five percent shall be credited to the  
13 Iowa heritage fund, created under section 303.9A.

14 (2) Twenty-five percent shall be allocated to the  
15 department of education. The department shall use the  
16 moneys to support teacher training in Iowa history, to  
17 purchase Iowa history classroom materials, to support  
18 student participation in Iowa history and citizenship-  
19 building activities and to create a grant program for  
20 school districts to apply for funding to support field  
21 trips to museums, historic sites, and heritage  
22 attractions."

23 11. Page 10, by inserting before line 15 the  
24 following:

25 "NEW SUBSECTION. 29. EDUCATION PLATES.

26 a. Upon application and payment of the proper  
27 fees, the director may issue education plates to the  
28 owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under  
29 section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery truck,  
30 panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose  
31 vehicle, or travel trailer.

32 b. Education plates shall be designed by the  
33 department in cooperation with the department of  
34 education.

35 c. The special school transportation fee for  
36 letter number designated education plates is thirty-  
37 five dollars. The fee for personalized education  
38 plates is twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in  
39 addition to the special school transportation fee of  
40 thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the  
41 director under this subsection shall be paid monthly  
42 to the treasurer of state and credited to the road use  
43 tax fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior  
44 to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund  
45 under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the  
46 treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from those  
47 revenues to the school budget review committee in  
48 accordance with section 257.31, subsection 16, the  
49 amount of the special school transportation fees  
50 collected in the previous month for the education

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1 plates.  
2 d. Upon receipt of the special registration  
3 plates, the applicant shall surrender the current  
4 registration receipt and plates to the county  
5 treasurer. The county treasurer shall validate the  
6 special registration plates in the same manner as  
7 regular registration plates are validated under this  
8 section. The annual special school transportation fee  
9 for letter number designated plates is ten dollars,  
10 which shall be paid in addition to the regular annual  
11 registration fee. The annual fee for personalized  
12 education plates is five dollars, which shall be paid  
13 in addition to the annual special school  
14 transportation fee and the regular annual registration  
15 fee. The annual special school transportation fee  
16 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c".

17 12. Page 10, by striking lines 21 through 27 and  
18 inserting the following: "registration plate issued  
19 by the county treasurer shall display the name of the  
20 county ~~except-plates-issued-for-truck-tractors,~~  
21 ~~motorcycles,-motorized-bicycles,-travel-trailers,~~  
22 ~~semitrailers-and-trailers.---The-year-of-expiration-or~~  
23 ~~the-date-of-expiration-shall-be-displayed-on-vehicle~~  
24 ~~registration-plates,-except-plates-issued-under~~  
25 ~~section-321.19,~~ including any plate issued pursuant to  
26 section 321.34, except Pearl Harbor and purple heart  
27 registration plates issued prior to January 1, 1997,  
28 and collegiate, firefighter, and Congressional medal  
29 of honor registration plates. Special".

30 13. By striking page 10, line 29, through page  
31 11, line 3.

32 14. Page 11, lines 6 and 7, by striking the words  
33 "Except as otherwise provided by law, special" and  
34 inserting the following: "Special".

35 15. Page 11, line 8, by inserting after the  
36 figure "1997," the following: "other than  
37 Congressional medal of honor, collegiate, fire  
38 fighter, and natural resources registration plates,".

39 16. Page 11, by striking lines 16 through 20 and  
40 inserting the following:

41 "NEW SUBSECTION. 10. If the department reissues a  
42 new registration plate design for a special  
43 registration plate under section 321.34, all persons  
44 who have purchased or obtained the special  
45 registration plates shall not be required to pay the  
46 issuance fee."

47 17. Page 11, line 21, by inserting after the word  
48 "Code" the following: "Supplement".

49 18. Page 12, line 18, by striking the figure  
50 "10" and inserting the following: "9".

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- 1 19. Page 12, line 19, by inserting after the word
- 2 "Code" the following: "Supplement".
- 3 20. Page 12, line 21, by striking the figure "10"
- 4 and inserting the following: "9".
- 5 21. Page 12, line 22, by inserting after the word
- 6 "Code" the following: "Supplement".
- 7 22. Title page, by striking lines 3 and 4 and
- 8 inserting the following: "plates, special Iowa
- 9 heritage plates and an Iowa heritage fund, education
- 10 plates and transfer and appropriation of revenue from
- 11 the sale of the plates to the school budget review
- 12 committee, and special silver and bronze".
- 13 23. By renumbering as necessary.

RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

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*House Concurred**4-3-96**(P. 1374)*

HOUSE FILE 514

AN ACT

RELATING TO IOWA MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES, BY PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES RETIRED PLATES, SPECIAL IOWA HERITAGE PLATES AND AN IOWA HERITAGE FUND, EDUCATION PLATES AND TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION OF REVENUE FROM THE SALE OF THE PLATES TO THE SCHOOL BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE, AND SPECIAL SILVER AND BRONZE STAR PLATES, PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES WITH DISTINGUISHING PROCESSED EMBLEMS, PROVIDING FOR REQUIRED PLATE SPECIFICATIONS, MAKING PENALTIES APPLICABLE, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Section 257.31, Code 1995, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 17. a. If a district's average transportation costs per pupil exceed the state average transportation costs per pupil determined under paragraph "c" by one hundred fifty percent, the committee may grant transportation assistance aid to the district. Such aid shall be miscellaneous income and shall not be included in district cost.

b. To be eligible for transportation assistance aid, a school district shall annually certify its actual cost for all children transported in all school buses not later than July 31 after each school year on forms prescribed by the committee.

c. A district's average transportation costs per pupil shall be determined by dividing the district's actual cost for all children transported in all school buses for a school year pursuant to section 285.1, subsection 12, less the amount received for transporting nonpublic school pupils under

section 285.1, by the district's actual enrollment for the school year excluding the shared-time enrollment for the school year as defined in section 257.6. The state average transportation costs per pupil shall be determined by dividing the total actual costs for all children transported in all districts for a school year, by the total of all districts' actual enrollments for the school year.

d. Funds transferred to the committee in accordance with section 321.34, subsection 18, are appropriated to and may be expended for the purposes of the committee, as described in this section. However, highest priority shall be given to districts that meet the conditions described in this subsection. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Code, unencumbered or unobligated funds transferred to the committee pursuant to section 321.34, subsection 18, remaining on June 30 of the fiscal year for which the funds were transferred, shall not revert but shall be available for expenditure for the purposes of this subsection in subsequent fiscal years.

Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 303.9A IOWA HERITAGE FUND.

1. An Iowa heritage fund is created in the state treasury to be administered by the state historical society board of trustees. The fund shall consist of all moneys allocated to the fund by the treasurer of state.

2. Moneys in the fund shall be used in accordance with the following:

a. Sixty-five percent shall be retained by the state historical society and used to maintain and expand Iowa's history curriculum, to provide teacher training in Iowa history, and to support museum exhibits, historic sites, and adult education programs.

b. Five percent shall be retained by the state historical society to be used for start-up costs for the one hundred seventy-fifth and two hundredth anniversaries of Iowa statehood.

c. Five percent shall be retained by the state historical society to be used for the promotion of the sale of the Iowa heritage registration plate issued under section 321.34.

Sec. 3. Section 321.34, subsection 11, Code Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

11. CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR PLATES. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section 321.109, subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck or pickup who has been awarded the congressional medal of honor may, upon written application to the department, order special registration plates which shall be red, white, and blue in color and shall bear an emblem of the congressional medal of honor and an identifying number. Each applicant applying for special registration plates under this subsection may purchase only one set of registration plates under this subsection. The application is subject to approval by the department and the special registration plates shall be issued to the applicant in exchange for the registration plates previously issued to the person. The special plates are subject to an annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The department shall validate the special plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are validated under this section. The department shall not issue special registration plates until service organizations in the state have furnished the department either the special dies or the cost of the special dies necessary for the manufacture of the special registration plate.

The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special plates under this subsection may continue to use the special plates subject to registration of the special plates in the surviving spouse's name and upon payment of the fifteen dollar 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. 4. Section 321.34, Code Supplement 1995, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 18. SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES -- GENERAL PROVISIONS.

a. 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 may, upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with a distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section or as approved by the department. The fee for the issuance of special registration plates is twenty-five dollars for each vehicle, unless otherwise provided by this section, which fee is in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The county treasurer shall validate special registration plates with a distinguishing processed emblem in the same manner as regular registration plates, upon payment of five dollars in addition to the regular annual registration fee.

b. Upon receipt of a special registration plate with a distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by this section or as approved by the department, the applicant shall surrender the regular registration plates to the county treasurer. An applicant no longer eligible for a special registration plate shall surrender the special vehicle registration plates to the county treasurer for issuance of regular registration plates.

c. An applicant may, upon payment of the additional fee for a personalized plate as provided in subsection 5, obtain a personalized special registration plate with a processed emblem. Personalized plates authorized by this section with the processed emblem shall be limited to no more than five initials, letters, or combinations of numerals and letters.

NEW SUBSECTION. 19. NEW SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES -- DEPARTMENT REVIEW.

a. Any person may submit a request to the department to recommend a new special registration plate with a processed emblem. The request shall provide a proposed design for the processed emblem, the purpose of the special registration plate with the processed emblem, any eligibility requirements for purchase or receipt of the special registration plate with the processed emblem, and evidence there is sufficient interest in the special registration plate with the processed emblem to pay implementation costs. The department shall consider the request and make a recommendation based upon criteria established by the department which shall include consideration of the information included in the request, the number of special registration plates with processed emblems currently authorized, and any other relevant factors.

b. If a request for a proposed special registration plate with a processed emblem meets the criteria established by the department, the department shall, in consultation with the persons seeking the special registration plate with the processed emblem, approve a recommended design for the processed emblem, and propose eligibility requirements for the special registration plate with the processed emblem.

c. If the department recommends approval of a proposed special registration plate, the department shall forward the recommendation to the committees on transportation of the general assembly by January 15 of each year. The proposed special registration plate shall not be issued unless the special registration plate is enacted into law.

NEW SUBSECTION. 20. HANDICAPPED SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 18, who is a handicapped person, or who is the parent or guardian of a child who resides with the parent or guardian owner and who is a handicapped person, as defined in section 321L.1, may, upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem designed by the department bearing the international symbol of accessibility. The

special registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall only be issued if the application is accompanied with a statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148, 149, 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter 151, written on the physician's or chiropractor's stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's or the applicant's child's handicap and such additional information as required by rules adopted by the department, including proof of residency of a child who is a handicapped person. If the application is approved by the department the special registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall be issued to the applicant. There shall be no fee in addition to the regular annual registration fee for the special registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem. The authorization for special registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall not be renewed without the applicant furnishing evidence to the department that the owner of the motor vehicle or the owner's child is still a handicapped person as defined in section 321L.1, unless the applicant has previously provided satisfactory evidence to the department that the owner of the vehicle or the owner's child is permanently handicapped in which case the furnishing of additional evidence shall not be required for renewal. However, an owner who has a child who is a handicapped person shall provide satisfactory evidence to the department that the handicapped child continues to reside with the owner. The registration plates with a handicapped processed emblem shall be surrendered in exchange for regular registration plates as provided in subsection 18 when the owner of the motor vehicle or the owner's child no longer qualifies as a handicapped person as defined in section 321L.1 or when the owner's child who is a handicapped person no longer resides with the owner.

NEW SUBSECTION. 21. EX-PRISONER OF WAR SPECIAL PLATES. An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was a prisoner of war during the second world war at any time between December

7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, the Korean conflict at any time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, or the Vietnam conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and June 30, 1973, all dates inclusive, may upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with an ex-prisoner of war processed emblem with the emblem designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant general which emblem signifies that the owner was a prisoner of war as described in this subsection. The application is subject to approval by the department, in consultation with the adjutant general.

The surviving spouse of a person who was issued special plates under this subsection may continue to 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.

**NEW SUBSECTION. 22. NATIONAL GUARD SPECIAL PLATES.** An owner referred to in subsection 18, who is a member of the national guard, as defined in chapter 29A, may upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with a national guard processed emblem with the emblem designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant general which emblem signifies that the applicant is a member of the national guard. The application shall be approved by the department in consultation with the adjutant general. Special registration plates with a national guard processed emblem shall be surrendered, as provided in subsection 18, in exchange for regular registration plates upon termination of the owner's membership in the active national guard.

**NEW SUBSECTION. 23. PEARL HARBOR SPECIAL PLATES.** An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, as a member of the armed services of the United States

on December 7, 1941, may, upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with a Pearl Harbor processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the department in consultation with service organizations. The application is subject to approval by the department.

**NEW SUBSECTION. 24. PURPLE HEART SPECIAL PLATES.** An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a purple heart medal by the United States government for wounds received in military or naval combat against an armed enemy of the United States, may upon written application to the department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the award of the purple heart medal, order special registration plates with a purple heart processed emblem. The design of the emblem shall include a representation of a purple heart medal and ribbon. The application is subject to approval by the department in consultation with the adjutant general.

**NEW SUBSECTION. 25. UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES RETIRED SPECIAL PLATES.** An owner referred to in subsection 18, 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.

**NEW SUBSECTION. 26. SILVER OR BRONZE STAR PLATES.** An owner referred to in subsection 18, who was awarded a silver or a bronze star by the United States government, may upon written application to the department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the award of the silver or bronze star, order special registration plates with a silver or bronze star processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the department in consultation with the adjutant general.

NEW SUBSECTION. 27. IOWA HERITAGE SPECIAL PLATES.

a. An owner referred to in subsection 18, may upon written application to the department, order special registration plates with an Iowa heritage emblem. The emblem shall contain a picture of the American gothic house and the words "Iowa Heritage" and shall be designed by the department in consultation with the state historical society of Iowa.

b. The special Iowa heritage fee for letter number designated plates is thirty-five dollars. The special fee for personalized Iowa heritage plates is twenty-five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the special fee of thirty-five dollars. The special fee shall be in addition to the regular annual registration fee.

c. The special fees collected by the director under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and credited to the road use tax fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the treasurer of state shall credit monthly the amount of the special fees collected in the previous month for the Iowa heritage plates from those revenues in the following manner:

(1) Seventy-five percent shall be credited to the Iowa heritage fund, created under section 303.9A.

(2) Twenty-five percent shall be allocated to the department of education. The department shall use the moneys to support teacher training in Iowa history, to purchase Iowa history classroom materials, to support student participation in Iowa history and citizenship-building activities and to create a grant program for school districts to apply for funding to support field trips to museums, historic sites, and heritage attractions.

NEW SUBSECTION. 28. EDUCATION PLATES.

a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the director may issue education plates to the owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section 321.109,

subsection 1, light delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, or travel trailer.

b. Education plates shall be designed by the department in cooperation with the department of education.

c. The special school transportation fee for letter number designated education plates is thirty-five dollars. The fee for personalized education plates is twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the special school transportation fee of thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and credited to the road use tax fund. Notwithstanding section 423.24, and prior to the crediting of revenues to the road use tax fund under section 423.24, subsection 1, paragraph "d", the treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from those revenues to the school budget review committee in accordance with section 257.31, subsection 16, the amount of the special school transportation fees collected in the previous month for the education plates.

d. Upon receipt of the special registration plates, the applicant shall surrender the current registration receipt and plates to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall validate the special registration plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are validated under this section. The annual special school transportation fee for letter number designated plates is ten dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The annual fee for personalized education plates is five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the annual special school transportation fee and the regular annual registration fee. The annual special school transportation fee shall be credited as provided under paragraph "c".

Sec. 5. Section 321.166, subsection 2, Code 1995, is amended to read as follows:

2. Every registration plate or pair of plates shall display a registration plate number which shall consist of

alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination thereof and the name of this state, which may be abbreviated. Every registration plate issued by the county treasurer shall display the name of the county ~~except plates issued for truck tractors, motorcycles, motorized bicycles, travel trailers, semitrailers and trailers. The year of expiration or the date of expiration shall be displayed on vehicle registration plates, except plates issued under section 321.19, including any plate issued pursuant to section 321.34, except Pearl Harbor and purple heart registration plates issued prior to January 1, 1997, and collegiate, fire fighter, and Congressional medal of honor registration plates.~~ Special truck registration plates shall display the word "special".

Sec. 6. Section 321.166, Code 1995, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

NEW SUBSECTION. 9. Special registration plates issued pursuant to section 321.34 beginning January 1, 1997, other than Congressional medal of honor, collegiate, fire fighter, and natural resources registration plates, shall be consistent with the design and color of regular registration plates but shall provide a space on a portion of the plate for the purpose of allowing the placement of a distinguishing processed emblem. Special registration plates shall also comply with the requirements for regular registration plates as provided in this section to the extent the requirements are consistent with the section authorizing a particular special vehicle registration plate.

NEW SUBSECTION. 10. If the department reissues a new registration plate design for a special registration plate under section 321.34, all persons who have purchased or obtained the special registration plates shall not be required to pay the issuance fee.

Sec. 7. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code Supplement 1995, is amended to read as follows:

a. A handicapped resident of the state desiring a handicapped identification device shall apply to the department upon an application form furnished by the department providing the applicant's name, address, date of birth, and social security number and shall also provide a statement from a physician licensed under chapter 148, 149, 150, or 150A, or a chiropractor licensed under chapter 151, or a physician or chiropractor licensed to practice in a contiguous state, written on the physician's or chiropractor's stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's handicap and such additional information as required by rules adopted by the department under section 321L.8. Handicapped registration plates must be ordered pursuant to section 321.34, ~~subsection 7.~~ A handicapped person may apply for either one temporary or one permanent handicapped identification hanging device. Persons who seek a permanent handicapped identification device shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial application that they are permanently handicapped. A person who has provided satisfactory evidence to the department that the person is permanently handicapped shall not be required to furnish evidence of being handicapped at a later date, unless the department deems it necessary. Persons who seek only temporary handicapped identification stickers or hanging devices shall be required to furnish evidence upon initial application that they are temporarily handicapped and, in addition, furnish evidence at three-month intervals that they remain temporarily handicapped. Temporary handicapped identification stickers and hanging devices shall be of a distinctively different color from permanent handicapped identification stickers and hanging devices.

Sec. 8. Section 321.34, subsections 7 through 9, 12, 13, and 14, Code Supplement 1995, are amended by striking the subsections effective January 1, 1997. However, all special plates issued pursuant to section 321.34, subsections 7 through 9, 12, 13, and 14, Code Supplement 1995, shall remain valid through the month of expiration in 1997.

Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1, 1997.

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I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 514, Seventy-sixth General Assembly.

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