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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the issuance and display of one motor  
2 vehicle registration plate.

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

1 Section 1. Section 8A.362, subsection 7, Code 2018, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 7. The director shall require that a sign be placed on  
4 each state-owned motor vehicle in a conspicuous place which  
5 indicates its ownership by the state. This requirement  
6 shall not apply to motor vehicles requested to be exempt by  
7 the director or by the commissioner of public safety. All  
8 state-owned motor vehicles shall display a registration  
9 ~~plates~~ plate bearing the word "official" except motor vehicles  
10 requested to be furnished with an ordinary ~~plates~~ plate by the  
11 director or by the commissioner of public safety pursuant to  
12 section 321.19. The director shall keep an accurate record of  
13 the registration plates used on all state-owned motor vehicles.  
14 **This subsection** shall not apply to an assigned vehicle rented  
15 or leased pursuant to **section 8A.367**.

16 Sec. 2. Section 321.18, subsection 7, Code 2018, is amended  
17 to read as follows:

18 7. Any school bus in this state used exclusively for  
19 the transportation of pupils to and from school or a school  
20 function or for the purposes provided in section 285.1,  
21 subsection 1, and **section 285.10, subsection 9**, or used  
22 exclusively for the transportation of children enrolled in a  
23 federal head start program. Upon application the department  
24 shall, without charge, issue a registration certificate and  
25 registration ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate shall be attached  
26 to the ~~front and~~ rear of each bus exempt from registration  
27 under **this subsection**.

28 Sec. 3. Section 321.19, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code  
29 2018, is amended to read as follows:

30 *c.* However, the director of the department of administrative  
31 services or the director of transportation may order the  
32 issuance of a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate for any  
33 exempted vehicle used by any of the following:

34 (1) Peace officers or federal law enforcement officers in  
35 the enforcement of the law.

1 (2) Persons enforcing chapter 124 and other laws relating to  
2 controlled substances.

3 (3) Persons in the department of justice, the alcoholic  
4 beverages division of the department of commerce, disease  
5 investigators of the Iowa department of public health, the  
6 department of inspections and appeals, and the department of  
7 revenue, who are regularly assigned to conduct investigations  
8 which cannot reasonably be conducted with a vehicle displaying  
9 an "official" state registration ~~plates~~ plate.

10 (4) Persons who are federal agents or officers regularly  
11 assigned to conduct investigations which cannot reasonably be  
12 conducted with a vehicle displaying an "official" registration  
13 ~~plates~~ plate.

14 (5) Persons in the Iowa lottery authority whose regularly  
15 assigned duties relating to security or the carrying of  
16 lottery tickets cannot reasonably be conducted with a vehicle  
17 displaying an "official" registration ~~plates~~ plate.

18 (6) Persons in the economic development authority  
19 who are regularly assigned duties relating to existing  
20 industry expansion or business attraction, and mental health  
21 professionals or health care professionals who provide off-site  
22 or in-home medical or mental health services to clients of  
23 publicly funded programs.

24 Sec. 4. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
25 subparagraph (3), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2018, is amended  
26 to read as follows:

27 Issue a citation and remove the motor vehicle's license  
28 ~~plates~~ plate and registration receipt.

29 Sec. 5. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
30 subparagraph (3), subparagraph division (a), Code 2018, is  
31 amended to read as follows:

32 (a) Upon removing the license ~~plates~~ plate and registration  
33 receipt, the peace officer shall deliver the ~~plates~~ plate for  
34 destruction, as appropriate, and forward the registration  
35 receipt and evidence of the violation, as determined by the

1 department, to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
2 motor vehicle is registered.

3 Sec. 6. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph a,  
4 subparagraph (4), subparagraph division (a), Code 2018, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 (a) Issue a citation, remove the motor vehicle's license  
7 ~~plates~~ plate and registration receipt, and impound the motor  
8 vehicle. The peace officer shall deliver the ~~plates~~ plate  
9 for destruction, as appropriate, and forward the registration  
10 receipt and evidence of the violation, as determined by the  
11 department, to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
12 motor vehicle is registered.

13 Sec. 7. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph b,  
14 subparagraph (1), subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), Code  
15 2018, are amended to read as follows:

16 (a) If the person was cited pursuant to paragraph "a",  
17 subparagraph (3), the owner or driver shall provide a copy of  
18 the receipt to the county treasurer of the county in which the  
19 motor vehicle is registered and the owner shall be assessed a  
20 fifteen dollar administrative fee by the county treasurer who  
21 shall issue a new license ~~plates~~ plate and registration to the  
22 person after payment of the fee.

23 (b) If the person was cited pursuant to paragraph "a",  
24 subparagraph (4), the owner or driver, after the owner  
25 provides proof of financial liability coverage to the clerk  
26 of court, may claim the motor vehicle after such person pays  
27 any applicable fine and the costs of towing and storage for  
28 the motor vehicle, and the owner or driver provides a copy  
29 of the receipt and the owner pays to the county treasurer of  
30 the county in which the motor vehicle is registered a fifteen  
31 dollar administrative fee, and the county treasurer shall issue  
32 a new license ~~plates~~ plate and registration to the person.

33 Sec. 8. Section 321.20B, subsection 4, paragraph b,  
34 subparagraph (2), subparagraph divisions (a) and (b), Code  
35 2018, are amended to read as follows:

1 (a) Sign an admission of violation on the citation and  
2 remit to the clerk of court a scheduled fine as provided in  
3 section 805.8A, subsection 14, paragraph "f", for a violation of  
4 subsection 1. Upon payment of the fine to the clerk of court of  
5 the county where the citation was issued, payment of a fifteen  
6 dollar administrative fee to the county treasurer of the  
7 county in which the motor vehicle is registered, and providing  
8 proof of payment of any applicable fine and proof of financial  
9 liability coverages to the county treasurer of the county in  
10 which the motor vehicle is registered, the treasurer shall  
11 issue a new license plates plate and registration to the owner.

12 (b) Request an appearance before the court on the matter.  
13 If the matter goes before the court, and the owner or driver  
14 is found guilty of a violation of [subsection 1](#), the court  
15 may impose a fine as provided in section 805.8A, subsection  
16 14, paragraph "f", for a violation of [subsection 1](#), or the  
17 court may order the person to perform unpaid community  
18 service instead of the fine. Upon the payment of the fine  
19 or the entry of the order for unpaid community service, the  
20 person shall provide proof of payment or entry of such order  
21 and the county treasurer of the county in which the motor  
22 vehicle is registered shall issue a new license plates plate  
23 and registration to the owner upon the owner providing proof  
24 of financial liability coverage and paying a fifteen dollar  
25 administrative fee to the county treasurer.

26 Sec. 9. Section 321.22, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended  
27 to read as follows:

28 1. An urban transit company or system having a franchise  
29 to operate in any city and any regional transit system may  
30 make application to the department, upon forms furnished by  
31 the department, for a certificate containing a distinguishing  
32 number and for one or more ~~pairs of~~ registration plates to be  
33 attached to the ~~front and~~ rear of buses owned or operated by  
34 the transit company or system.

35 Sec. 10. Section 321.23, subsection 3, Code 2018, is amended

1 to read as follows:

2 3. In the event an applicant for registration of a foreign  
3 vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued is  
4 able to furnish evidence of being the registered owner of the  
5 vehicle to the county treasurer of the owner's residence,  
6 although unable to surrender such certificate of title,  
7 the county treasurer may issue a registration receipt and  
8 ~~plates~~ plate upon receipt of the required annual registration  
9 fee and the fee for new registration but shall not issue a  
10 certificate of title ~~thereto~~ for the vehicle. Upon surrender  
11 of the certificate of title from the foreign state, the county  
12 treasurer shall issue a certificate of title to the owner, of  
13 the vehicle or other person entitled ~~thereto~~, ~~of such vehicle~~  
14 to the certificate of title as provided in this chapter. The  
15 owner of a vehicle registered under this subsection shall not  
16 be required to obtain a certificate of title in this state and  
17 may transfer ownership of the vehicle to a motor vehicle dealer  
18 licensed under chapter 322 if, at the time of the transfer,  
19 the certificate of title is held by a secured party and the  
20 dealer has forwarded to the secured party the sum necessary to  
21 discharge the security interest pursuant to section 321.48,  
22 subsection 1.

23 Sec. 11. Section 321.25, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended  
24 to read as follows:

25 1. A vehicle may be operated upon the highways of this state  
26 without a registration ~~plates~~ plate for a period of forty-five  
27 days after the date of delivery of the vehicle to the purchaser  
28 from a dealer if a card bearing the words "registration applied  
29 for" is attached on the rear of the vehicle. The card shall  
30 have plainly stamped or stenciled the registration number of  
31 the dealer from whom the vehicle was purchased and the date  
32 of delivery of the vehicle. In addition, a dealer licensed  
33 to sell new motor vehicles may attach the card to a new motor  
34 vehicle delivered by the dealer to the purchaser even if the  
35 vehicle was purchased from an out-of-state dealer and the card

1 shall bear the registration number of the dealer that delivered  
2 the vehicle. A dealer shall not issue a card to a person known  
3 to the dealer to be in possession of a registration plates  
4 plate which may be attached to the vehicle. A dealer shall  
5 not issue a card unless an application for registration and  
6 certificate of title has been made by the purchaser and a  
7 receipt issued to the purchaser of the vehicle showing the fee  
8 paid by the person making the application. Dealers' records  
9 shall indicate the agency to which the fee is sent and the date  
10 the fee is sent. The dealer shall forward the application by  
11 the purchaser to the county treasurer or state office within  
12 thirty calendar days from the date of delivery of the vehicle.  
13 However, if the vehicle is subject to a security interest  
14 and has been offered for sale pursuant to section 321.48,  
15 subsection 1, the dealer shall forward the application by the  
16 purchaser to the county treasurer or state office within thirty  
17 calendar days from the date of the delivery of the vehicle to  
18 the purchaser.

19 Sec. 12. Section 321.26, subsection 2, Code 2018, is amended  
20 to read as follows:

21 2. The county treasurer may adjust the renewal or expiration  
22 date of vehicles when deemed necessary to equalize the number  
23 of vehicles registered in each twelve-month period or for the  
24 administrative efficiency of the county treasurer's office.  
25 The adjustment shall be accomplished by delivery of a written  
26 notice to the vehicle owner of the adjustment and allowance of  
27 a credit for the remaining months of the unused portion of the  
28 annual registration fee, rounded to the nearest whole dollar,  
29 which amount shall be deducted from the annual registration  
30 fee due at the time of registration. Upon receipt of the  
31 notification the owner shall, within thirty days, surrender the  
32 registration card and registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
33 treasurer of the county where the vehicle is registered, except  
34 that the registration ~~plates~~ plate shall not be surrendered  
35 if a validation stickers sticker or other ~~emblems~~ emblem

1 is used to designate the month and year of expiration of  
2 registration. Upon payment of the annual registration fee,  
3 less the credit allowed for the remaining months of the  
4 unused portion of the annual registration fee, the county  
5 treasurer shall issue a new registration card and registration  
6 ~~plates~~ plate, validation ~~stickers~~ sticker, or ~~emblems~~ emblem  
7 which ~~indicate~~ indicates the month and year of expiration of  
8 registration.

9 Sec. 13. Section 321.34, subsections 1, 2, and 3, Code 2018,  
10 are amended to read as follows:

11 1. *Plates* Plate issued. The county treasurer upon receiving  
12 application, accompanied by proper fee, for registration of a  
13 vehicle shall issue to the owner one registration plate ~~for~~  
14 ~~a motorcycle, motorized bicycle, autocycle, truck tractor,~~  
15 ~~trailer, or semitrailer and two registration plates for every~~  
16 ~~other motor vehicle~~. The registration ~~plates~~ plate, including  
17 any special registration ~~plates~~ plate, shall be assigned  
18 to the owner of a vehicle. When the owner of a registered  
19 vehicle transfers or assigns ownership of the vehicle to  
20 another person, the owner shall remove the registration ~~plates~~  
21 plate from the vehicle. The owner shall forward the ~~plates~~  
22 plate to the county treasurer where the vehicle is registered  
23 or the owner may have the ~~plates~~ plate assigned to another  
24 vehicle within thirty days after transfer, upon payment of the  
25 fees required by law. The owner shall immediately affix the  
26 registration ~~plates~~ plate retained by the owner to another  
27 vehicle owned or acquired by the owner, providing the owner  
28 complies with [section 321.46](#). The department shall adopt rules  
29 providing for the assignment of a registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
30 the transferee of a vehicle for which a credit is allowed under  
31 section 321.46, subsection 6.

32 2. *Validation stickers*.

33 a. In lieu of issuing a new registration ~~plates~~ plate  
34 each registration year for a vehicle renewing registration,  
35 the department may reassign the registration ~~plates~~ plate



1 previously issued to the vehicle and may adopt and prescribe  
2 an annual validation sticker indicating payment of annual  
3 registration fees. The department shall issue one validation  
4 sticker for each ~~set of registration plates~~ plate. The  
5 sticker shall specify the month and year of expiration of the  
6 registration ~~plates~~ plate. The sticker shall be displayed  
7 ~~only on the rear registration plate, except that the sticker~~  
8 ~~shall be displayed on the front registration plate of a truck~~  
9 ~~tractor.~~

10 *b.* The state department of transportation shall adopt rules  
11 to provide for the placement of the motor vehicle registration  
12 validation sticker.

13 3. *Radio operators plates.* The owner of an automobile,  
14 motorcycle, trailer, or motor truck who holds an amateur radio  
15 license issued by the federal communications commission may,  
16 upon written application to the county treasurer accompanied  
17 by a fee of five dollars, order a special registration plates  
18 plate bearing the call letters authorized the radio station  
19 covered by the person's amateur radio license. When received  
20 by the county treasurer, such special registration ~~plates~~  
21 plate shall be issued to the applicant in exchange for the  
22 registration ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person. Not  
23 more than one ~~set of special registration plates~~ plate may be  
24 issued to an applicant. Said fee shall be in addition to and  
25 not in lieu of the fee for a regular registration plates plate.  
26 ~~Special~~ A special registration ~~plates~~ plate must be surrendered  
27 upon expiration of the owner's amateur radio license and the  
28 owner shall thereupon be entitled to the owner's regular  
29 registration ~~plates~~ plate. The county treasurer shall validate  
30 special plates in the same manner as regular registration  
31 plates, upon payment of five dollars in addition to the regular  
32 annual registration fee.

33 Sec. 14. Section 321.34, subsection 5, paragraph a, Code  
34 2018, is amended to read as follows:

35 *a.* Upon application and the payment of a fee of twenty-five

1 dollars, the director may issue to the owner of a motor  
2 vehicle registered in this state or a trailer or travel trailer  
3 registered in this state, a personalized registration plates  
4 plate marked with up to seven initials, letters, or combination  
5 of numerals and letters requested by the owner. However,  
6 personalized registration plates for autocycles, motorcycles,  
7 and motorized bicycles shall be marked with no more than six  
8 initials, letters, or combinations of numerals and letters.  
9 Upon receipt of the personalized registration plates plate,  
10 the applicant shall surrender the regular registration plates  
11 plate to the county treasurer. The fee for issuance of the  
12 personalized registration plates plate shall be in addition to  
13 the regular annual registration fee.

14 Sec. 15. Section 321.34, subsection 6, Code 2018, is amended  
15 to read as follows:

16 6. *Sample vehicle registration plates.* ~~Vehicle~~ A vehicle  
17 registration plates plate displaying the general design of  
18 a regular registration plates plate, with the word "sample"  
19 displayed on the plate, may be furnished to any person upon  
20 payment of a fee of three dollars, except that such plates may  
21 be furnished to governmental agencies without cost. ~~Sample~~ A  
22 sample registration plates plate shall not be attached to a  
23 vehicle moved on the highways of this state.

24 Sec. 16. Section 321.34, subsection 7, paragraphs a and e,  
25 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

26 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
27 director may issue to the owner of a motor vehicle subject  
28 to registration under [section 321.109, subsection 1](#), motor  
29 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, trailer over two  
30 thousand pounds, or travel trailer registered in this state, a  
31 collegiate registration plates plate created pursuant to this  
32 subsection. Upon receipt of the collegiate registration plates  
33 plate, the applicant shall surrender the regular registration  
34 plates plate to the county treasurer.

35 e. A collegiate registration plate shall not be issued if

1 its combination of alphanumeric characters are identical to  
2 those contained on a current personalized registration plate  
3 issued under [subsection 5](#). However, the owner of a motor  
4 vehicle who has a personalized registration plate issued for  
5 the motor vehicle may, after proper application and payment  
6 of fees, be issued a collegiate registration plate containing  
7 the same alphanumeric characters as those on the personalized  
8 plate. Upon receipt of the collegiate registration ~~plates~~  
9 plate, the owner shall surrender the personalized registration  
10 ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer.

11 Sec. 17. Section 321.34, subsection 7A, paragraphs b and c,  
12 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

13 *b.* Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
14 director may issue to the owner of a motor vehicle subject  
15 to registration under [section 321.109, subsection 1](#), motor  
16 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, trailer over two  
17 thousand pounds, or travel trailer registered in this state,  
18 a collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate created pursuant to  
19 this subsection. The fee for the issuance of a collegiate  
20 registration ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars, which fee  
21 is in addition to the regular annual registration fee for the  
22 vehicle. An applicant may obtain a personalized collegiate  
23 registration plate upon payment of the additional fee for a  
24 personalized plate as provided in [subsection 5](#) in addition to  
25 the collegiate plate fee and the regular registration fee. The  
26 county treasurer shall validate collegiate registration plates  
27 issued under [this subsection](#) in the same manner as regular  
28 registration plates, upon payment of five dollars in addition  
29 to the regular annual registration fee. Upon receipt of the  
30 collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate, the applicant shall  
31 surrender the regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
32 treasurer.

33 *c.* A personalized collegiate registration plate shall  
34 not be issued if its combination of alphanumeric characters  
35 are identical to those contained on a current personalized

1 registration plate issued under subsection 5. However, the  
2 owner of a motor vehicle who has a personalized registration  
3 plate issued for the motor vehicle may, after proper  
4 application and payment of fees, be issued a collegiate  
5 registration plate containing the same alphanumeric characters  
6 as those on the personalized plate. Upon receipt of the  
7 collegiate registration ~~plates~~ plate, the owner shall surrender  
8 the personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county  
9 treasurer.

10 Sec. 18. Section 321.34, subsections 8, 8A, and 9, Code  
11 2018, are amended to read as follows:

12 8. *Medal of honor plates.*

13 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
14 under section 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motorcycle,  
15 trailer, or motor truck who has been awarded the medal of  
16 honor may, upon written application to the department, order a  
17 special registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be red, white,  
18 and blue in color and shall bear an emblem of the medal of  
19 honor and an identifying number. Each applicant applying for  
20 a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may  
21 order only one ~~set of~~ registration ~~plates~~ plate under this  
22 subsection. The application is subject to approval by the  
23 department and the special registration ~~plates~~ plate shall  
24 be issued at no charge to the applicant in exchange for the  
25 registration ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person.  
26 A person who is issued a special ~~plates~~ plate under this  
27 subsection is exempt from payment of any annual registration  
28 fee for the motor vehicle bearing the special ~~plates~~ plate.  
29 The department shall validate the special plates in the same  
30 manner as regular registration plates are validated under this  
31 section. The department shall not issue special registration  
32 plates until service organizations in the state have furnished  
33 the department either the special dies or the cost of the  
34 special dies necessary for the manufacture of the special  
35 registration plate.

1     **b.** The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
2 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use the  
3 special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration of the special  
4 ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name. If the surviving  
5 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
6 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue a  
7 regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the surviving spouse.

8     **8A. Ex-prisoner of war special plates.**

9     **a.** The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
10 under section 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motorcycle,  
11 trailer, or motor truck who was a prisoner of war during a  
12 time of military conflict may, upon written application to  
13 the department, order only one ~~set of~~ special registration  
14 ~~plates~~ plate with an ex-prisoner of war processed emblem. The  
15 emblem shall be designed by the department in cooperation  
16 with the adjutant general and shall signify that the owner  
17 was a prisoner of war as described in this subsection. The  
18 application is subject to approval by the department, in  
19 consultation with the adjutant general. The special ~~plates~~  
20 plate shall be issued at no charge and ~~are~~ is subject to  
21 an annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The county  
22 treasurer shall validate the special plates in the same  
23 manner as regular registration plates are validated under this  
24 section.

25     **b.** The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
26 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
27 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
28 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name and  
29 upon payment of the annual registration fee. If the surviving  
30 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
31 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue a  
32 regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the surviving spouse.

33     **9. Leased vehicles. Registration plates** A registration  
34 plate under this section, including a disabled veteran ~~plates~~  
35 plate specified in section 321.105, may be issued to the lessee

1 of a motor vehicle if the lessee provides evidence of a lease  
2 for a period of more than sixty days and if the lessee complies  
3 with the requirements, under [this section](#), for issuance of the  
4 specific registration ~~plates~~ plate.

5 Sec. 19. Section 321.34, subsection 10, paragraphs a, b, and  
6 d, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

7 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who is a current  
8 or retired member of a paid or volunteer fire department may,  
9 upon written application to the department, order a special  
10 registration ~~plates~~ plate, designed by the department in  
11 cooperation with representatives designated by the Iowa fire  
12 fighters' associations, which signify that the applicant  
13 is a current or retired member of a paid or volunteer fire  
14 department.

15 b. The application shall be approved by the department in  
16 consultation with representatives designated by the Iowa fire  
17 fighters' associations, and the special registration ~~plates~~  
18 plate shall be issued to the applicant in exchange for the  
19 registration ~~plates~~ plate previously issued to the person. An  
20 applicant who is the owner of a business-trade truck or special  
21 truck shall not be issued a special fire fighter registration  
22 ~~plates~~ plate for more than one vehicle. The fee for the  
23 special ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars which shall be  
24 paid in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The  
25 department shall validate the special plates in the same manner  
26 as regular registration plates are validated under [this section](#)  
27 at the regular annual registration fee.

28 d. For purposes of [this subsection](#), a person is considered  
29 to be retired if the person is recognized by the chief of the  
30 fire department where the individual served, and on record,  
31 as officially retired from the fire department. ~~Special A~~  
32 special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a fire fighter emblem  
33 shall be surrendered, as provided in [subsection 12](#), in exchange  
34 for a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate upon termination of  
35 the motor vehicle owner's membership in the paid or volunteer

1 fire department, unless the person is a retired member in good  
2 standing.

3 Sec. 20. Section 321.34, subsection 10A, paragraph a, Code  
4 2018, is amended to read as follows:

5 a. The owner of a motor vehicle referred to in subsection  
6 12 who is a current member of a paid or volunteer emergency  
7 medical services agency may, upon written application to  
8 the department, order a special registration plates plate,  
9 designed by the department in cooperation with representatives  
10 designated by the Iowa emergency medical services association,  
11 which ~~plates signify~~ signifies that the applicant is a current  
12 member of a paid or volunteer emergency medical services  
13 agency. The application shall be approved by the department,  
14 in consultation with representatives designated by the Iowa  
15 emergency medical services association, and the special  
16 registration ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued to the applicant  
17 in exchange for the registration ~~plates~~ plate previously  
18 issued to the person. The fee for the special ~~plates~~ plate is  
19 twenty-five dollars which is in addition to the regular annual  
20 registration fee. The department shall validate the special  
21 plates in the same manner as regular registration plates are  
22 validated under [this section](#) at the regular annual registration  
23 fee.

24 Sec. 21. Section 321.34, subsection 11, paragraphs a, c, and  
25 d, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

26 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
27 director may issue a natural resources plates plate to the  
28 owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section  
29 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motor truck, motor home,  
30 multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel trailer.

31 c. (1) The special natural resources fee for a  
32 letter-number designated natural resources ~~plates~~ plate  
33 is forty-five dollars. The fee for a personalized natural  
34 resources ~~plates~~ plate is forty-five dollars which shall be  
35 paid in addition to the special natural resources fee of

1 forty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director under  
2 this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
3 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
4 of state shall credit monthly from the statutory allocations  
5 fund created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the Iowa  
6 resources enhancement and protection fund created pursuant to  
7 section 455A.18, the amount of the special natural resources  
8 fees collected in the previous month for the natural resources  
9 plates.

10 (2) From the moneys credited to the Iowa resources  
11 enhancement and protection fund under subparagraph (1), ten  
12 dollars of the fee collected for each natural resources plate  
13 issued, and fifteen dollars from each renewal fee, shall be  
14 allocated to the department of natural resources wildlife  
15 bureau to be used for nongame wildlife programs.

16 *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
17 the applicant shall surrender the current registration ~~plates~~  
18 plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
19 validate the special registration plates in the same manner as  
20 regular registration plates are validated under [this section](#).  
21 The annual special natural resources fee for a letter-number  
22 designated ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars which shall  
23 be paid in addition to the regular annual registration fee.  
24 The annual fee for a personalized natural resources ~~plates~~  
25 plate is five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the  
26 annual special natural resources fee and the regular annual  
27 registration fee. The annual special natural resources fee  
28 shall be credited as provided under paragraph "*c*".

29 Sec. 22. Section 321.34, subsection 11A, paragraphs a, c,  
30 and d, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

31 *a.* Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
32 director may issue a "love our kids" ~~plates~~ plate to the owner  
33 of a motor vehicle subject to registration under section  
34 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motor truck, motor home,  
35 multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel trailer.



1     *c.* The special fee for a letter-number designated love  
2 our kids ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee for a  
3 personalized love our kids ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars,  
4 which shall be paid in addition to the special love our kids  
5 fee of thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director  
6 under *this subsection* shall be paid monthly to the treasurer  
7 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
8 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
9 fund created under *section 321.145, subsection 2*, to the Iowa  
10 department of public health the amount of the special fees  
11 collected in the previous month for the love our kids plates.  
12 Notwithstanding *section 8.33*, moneys transferred under this  
13 subsection shall not revert to the general fund of the state.

14     *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
15 the applicant shall surrender the current registration ~~plates~~  
16 plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
17 validate the special registration plates in the same manner as  
18 regular registration plates are validated under *this section*.  
19 The annual special love our kids fee for a letter-number  
20 designated ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which shall be paid in  
21 addition to the regular annual registration fee. The annual  
22 fee for a personalized love our kids ~~plates~~ plate is five  
23 dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the annual special  
24 love our kids fee and the regular annual registration fee. The  
25 annual love our kids fee shall be credited as provided under  
26 paragraph "*c*".

27     Sec. 23. Section 321.34, subsection 11B, paragraphs a, c,  
28 and d, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

29     *a.* Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
30 director may issue a "motorcycle rider education" ~~plates~~ plate  
31 to the owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration under  
32 section 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motor truck, motor  
33 home, multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer, or travel  
34 trailer.

35     *c.* The special fee for a letter-number designated motorcycle

1 rider education ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee  
2 for a personalized motorcycle rider education ~~plates~~ plate is  
3 twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the  
4 special motorcycle rider education fee of thirty-five dollars.  
5 The fees collected by the director under [this subsection](#) shall  
6 be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in  
7 the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer  
8 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under  
9 section 321.145, subsection 2, to the department for use in  
10 accordance with [section 321.179](#), the amount of the special  
11 fees collected in the previous month for the motorcycle rider  
12 education plates.

13 *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
14 the applicant shall surrender the current registration ~~plates~~  
15 plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
16 validate the special registration plates in the same manner as  
17 regular registration plates are validated under [this section](#).  
18 The annual special motorcycle rider education fee for a  
19 letter-number designated ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which  
20 shall be paid in addition to the regular annual registration  
21 fee. The annual fee for a personalized motorcycle rider  
22 education ~~plates~~ plate is five dollars, which shall be paid  
23 in addition to the annual special motorcycle rider education  
24 fee and the regular annual registration fee. The annual  
25 motorcycle rider education fee shall be credited as provided  
26 under paragraph "c".

27 Sec. 24. Section 321.34, subsection 12, paragraphs a and b,  
28 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

29 *a.* The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
30 pursuant to [section 321.109, subsection 1](#), autocycle, motor  
31 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer,  
32 or travel trailer may, upon written application to the  
33 department, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a  
34 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by [this section](#)  
35 or as approved by the department. The fee for the issuance of

1 a special registration ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars for  
2 each vehicle, unless otherwise provided by [this section](#), which  
3 fee is in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The  
4 county treasurer shall validate special registration plates  
5 with a distinguishing processed emblem in the same manner as  
6 regular registration plates, upon payment of five dollars in  
7 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

8     **b.** Upon receipt of a special registration plate with a  
9 distinguishing processed emblem as authorized by [this section](#)  
10 or as approved by the department, the applicant shall surrender  
11 the regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer.  
12 An applicant no longer eligible for a special registration  
13 plate shall surrender the special vehicle registration ~~plates~~  
14 plate to the county treasurer for issuance of a regular  
15 registration ~~plates~~ plate.

16     Sec. 25. Section 321.34, subsection 12A, Code 2018, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18     12A. *Special registration plates — armed forces services.*

19     **a.** An owner of a vehicle referred to in [subsection 12](#) who  
20 applies for any type of special registration ~~plates~~ plate  
21 associated with service in the United States armed forces shall  
22 be issued one ~~set of the~~ special registration ~~plates~~ plate at  
23 no charge, but shall be subject to the annual registration  
24 fee of fifteen dollars, if the owner is eligible for, but has  
25 relinquished to the department or the county treasurer or has  
26 not been issued, an ex-prisoner of war or legion of merit  
27 special registration ~~plates~~ plate under [this section](#).

28     **b.** An owner of a vehicle referred to in [subsection 12](#) who  
29 applies for any type of special registration ~~plates~~ plate  
30 associated with service in the United States armed forces  
31 shall be issued one ~~set of the~~ special registration ~~plates~~  
32 plate at no charge and subject to no annual registration fee  
33 if the owner is eligible for, but has relinquished to the  
34 department or the county treasurer or has not been issued, a  
35 medal of honor registration ~~plates~~ plate under [subsection 8](#)

1 or a disabled veteran registration plates plate under section  
2 321.105.

3 c. The owner shall provide the appropriate information  
4 regarding the owner's eligibility for any of the special  
5 registration plates described in paragraph "a" or "b", and  
6 regarding the owner's eligibility for the special registration  
7 plates plate for which the owner has applied, as required by  
8 the department.

9 d. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a  
10 special plates plate under this subsection may continue to  
11 use the special plates plate subject to registration of the  
12 special plates plate in the surviving spouse's name and upon  
13 payment of the same annual registration fee, if applicable.  
14 If the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
15 return the special plates plate to the department and the  
16 department shall issue a regular registration plates plate to  
17 the surviving spouse.

18 Sec. 26. Section 321.34, subsection 13, paragraph a,  
19 subparagraph (1), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

20 (1) The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
21 pursuant to section 321.109, subsection 1, autocycle, motor  
22 truck, motor home, multipurpose vehicle, motorcycle, trailer,  
23 or travel trailer may upon request be issued a special  
24 registration plates plate that ~~contain~~ contains a space  
25 reserved for the placement of an organization decal. If the  
26 special ~~plates are~~ plate is requested at the time of initial  
27 application for registration and certificate of title for  
28 the vehicle, no special plate fee is required other than the  
29 regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If the  
30 special ~~plates are~~ plate is requested as a replacement plates  
31 plate, the owner shall surrender the current regular or special  
32 registration plates plate in exchange for the special plates  
33 plate and shall pay a replacement plate fee of five dollars.  
34 The county treasurer shall validate special plates with an  
35 organization decal in the same manner as regular plates, upon

1 payment of the annual registration fee.

2 Sec. 27. Section 321.34, subsections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19,  
3 20, 20A, and 20B, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

4 14. *Persons with disabilities special plates.* An owner  
5 referred to in [subsection 12](#) or an owner of a trailer used to  
6 transport a wheelchair who is a person with a disability, or  
7 who is the parent or guardian of a child who resides with the  
8 parent or guardian owner and who is a person with a disability,  
9 as defined in [section 321L.1](#), may, upon written application to  
10 the department, order a special registration plates plate with  
11 a persons with disabilities processed emblem designed by the  
12 department bearing the international symbol of accessibility.  
13 The special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with  
14 disabilities processed emblem shall only be issued if the  
15 application is accompanied with a statement from a physician  
16 licensed under [chapter 148](#) or [149](#), a physician assistant  
17 licensed under [chapter 148C](#), an advanced registered nurse  
18 practitioner licensed under [chapter 152](#), or a chiropractor  
19 licensed under [chapter 151](#), written on the physician's,  
20 physician assistant's, nurse practitioner's, or chiropractor's  
21 stationery, stating the nature of the applicant's or the  
22 applicant's child's disability and such additional information  
23 as required by rules adopted by the department, including proof  
24 of residency of a child who is a person with a disability. If  
25 the application is approved by the department, the special  
26 registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with disabilities  
27 processed emblem shall be issued to the applicant. There  
28 shall be no fee in addition to the regular annual registration  
29 fee for the special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons  
30 with disabilities processed emblem. The authorization for  
31 a special registration plates plate with a persons with  
32 disabilities processed emblem shall not be renewed without  
33 the applicant furnishing evidence to the department that  
34 the owner of the vehicle or the owner's child is still a  
35 person with a disability as defined in [section 321L.1](#). An

1 owner who has a child who is a person with a disability shall  
2 provide satisfactory evidence to the department that the child  
3 with a disability continues to reside with the owner. The  
4 registration ~~plates~~ plate with a persons with disabilities  
5 processed emblem shall be surrendered in exchange for a regular  
6 registration ~~plates~~ plate as provided in [subsection 12](#) when the  
7 owner of the vehicle or the owner's child no longer qualifies  
8 as a person with a disability as defined in [section 321L.1](#) or  
9 when the owner's child who is a person with a disability no  
10 longer resides with the owner.

11 15. *Legion of merit special plates.*

12 a. The owner of a motor vehicle subject to registration  
13 under [section 321.109, subsection 1](#), autocycle, motorcycle,  
14 trailer, or motor truck who has been awarded the legion of  
15 merit shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration ~~plates~~  
16 plate with a legion of merit processed emblem, upon written  
17 application to the department and presentation of satisfactory  
18 proof of the award of the legion of merit as established  
19 by the Congress of the United States. The emblem shall be  
20 designed by the department in cooperation with the adjutant  
21 general and shall signify that the owner was awarded the legion  
22 of merit. The application is subject to approval by the  
23 department, in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
24 special ~~plates~~ plate shall be issued at no charge and ~~are~~ is  
25 subject to an annual registration fee of fifteen dollars. The  
26 county treasurer shall validate the special plates in the same  
27 manner as regular registration plates are validated under this  
28 section.

29 b. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
30 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
31 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
32 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name and  
33 upon payment of the annual registration fee. If the surviving  
34 spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall return the special  
35 ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the department shall issue a a

1 regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the surviving spouse.  
2 16. *National guard special plates.*  
3 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who is a  
4 member of the national guard, as defined in [chapter 29A](#),  
5 may, upon written application to the department, order a  
6 special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a national guard  
7 processed emblem with the emblem designed by the department in  
8 cooperation with the adjutant general which emblem signifies  
9 that the applicant is a member of the national guard. The  
10 application shall be approved by the department in consultation  
11 with the adjutant general. The special plate fees collected by  
12 the director under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", from the annual  
13 validation of letter-number designated national guard plates,  
14 and [subsection 12](#), paragraph "c", from the issuance and annual  
15 validation of personalized national guard plates shall be paid  
16 monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road  
17 use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly  
18 from the statutory allocations fund created under section  
19 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans license fee fund created  
20 in [section 35A.11](#) the amount of the special fees collected  
21 under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", in the previous month  
22 for national guard plates. ~~Special~~ A special registration  
23 ~~plates~~ plate with a national guard processed emblem shall be  
24 surrendered, as provided in [subsection 12](#), in exchange for  
25 a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate upon termination of the  
26 owner's membership in the active national guard.  
27 b. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
28 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
29 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate with a national guard processed emblem at no  
31 charge.  
32 c. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
33 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
34 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
35 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name

1 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
 2 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
 3 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
 4 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
 5 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
 6 the surviving spouse.

7 17. *Pearl Harbor special plates.*

8 *a.* An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who was at Pearl  
 9 Harbor, Hawaii, as a member of the armed services of the United  
 10 States on December 7, 1941, may, upon written application to  
 11 the department, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with  
 12 a Pearl Harbor processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed  
 13 by the department in consultation with service organizations.  
 14 The application is subject to approval by the department. The  
 15 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
 16 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
 17 designated Pearl Harbor plates, and [subsection 12](#), paragraph  
 18 "c", from the issuance and annual validation of personalized  
 19 Pearl Harbor plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
 20 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
 21 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
 22 fund created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the  
 23 veterans license fee fund created in [section 35A.11](#) the amount  
 24 of the special fees collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph  
 25 "a", in the previous month for Pearl Harbor plates.

26 *b.* Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
 27 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
 28 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
 29 ~~plates~~ plate with a Pearl Harbor processed emblem at no charge.

30 *c.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
 31 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
 32 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
 33 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
 34 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
 35 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If



1 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
2 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
3 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
4 the surviving spouse.

5 18. *Purple heart special plates.*

6 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who was awarded a  
7 purple heart medal by the United States government for wounds  
8 received in military or naval combat against an armed enemy  
9 of the United States may, upon written application to the  
10 department and presentation of satisfactory proof of the award  
11 of the purple heart medal, order a special registration ~~plates~~  
12 plate with a purple heart processed emblem. The design of  
13 the emblem shall include a representation of a purple heart  
14 medal and ribbon. The application is subject to approval by  
15 the department in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
16 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
17 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
18 designated purple heart plates, and [subsection 12](#), paragraph  
19 "c", from the issuance and annual validation of personalized  
20 purple heart plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of  
21 state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
22 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
23 fund created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the  
24 veterans license fee fund created in [section 35A.11](#) the amount  
25 of the special fees collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph  
26 "a", in the previous month for purple heart plates.

27 b. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
28 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
29 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
30 ~~plates~~ plate with a purple heart processed emblem at no charge.

31 c. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
32 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
33 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
34 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
35 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee

1 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
 2 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
 3 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
 4 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
 5 the surviving spouse.

6 19. *United States armed forces retired special plates.*

7 *a.* An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who is a retired  
 8 member of the United States armed forces may, upon written  
 9 application to the department and upon presentation of  
 10 satisfactory proof of membership, order a special registration  
 11 ~~plates~~ plate with a United States armed forces retired  
 12 processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
 13 department in consultation with service organizations. The  
 14 application is subject to approval by the department. For  
 15 purposes of [this subsection](#), a person is considered to be  
 16 retired if the person is recognized by the United States armed  
 17 forces as retired from the United States armed forces. The  
 18 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
 19 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
 20 designated armed forces retired plates, and [subsection 12](#),  
 21 paragraph "c", from the issuance and annual validation of  
 22 personalized armed forces retired plates shall be paid monthly  
 23 to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road use tax  
 24 fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from the  
 25 statutory allocations fund created under section 321.145,  
 26 subsection 2, to the veterans license fee fund created in  
 27 section 35A.11 the amount of the special fees collected under  
 28 subsection 12, paragraph "a", in the previous month for armed  
 29 forces retired plates.

30 *b.* Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
 31 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
 32 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
 33 ~~plates~~ plate with an armed forces retired processed emblem at  
 34 no charge.

35 *c.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special

1 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
2 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
3 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
4 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
5 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
6 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
7 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
8 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
9 the surviving spouse.

10 20. *Silver or bronze star plates.*

11 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who was awarded a  
12 silver or a bronze star by the United States government, may,  
13 upon written application to the department and presentation of  
14 satisfactory proof of the award of the silver or bronze star,  
15 order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a silver or  
16 bronze star processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by  
17 the department in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
18 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
19 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
20 designated silver star and bronze star plates, and subsection  
21 12, paragraph "c", from the issuance and annual validation of  
22 personalized silver star and bronze star plates shall be paid  
23 monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road use  
24 tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from  
25 the statutory allocations fund created under section 321.145,  
26 subsection 2, to the veterans license fee fund created in  
27 section 35A.11 the amount of the special fees collected under  
28 subsection 12, paragraph "a", in the previous month for silver  
29 star and bronze star plates.

30 b. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
31 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
32 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
33 ~~plates~~ plate with a silver star or bronze star processed emblem  
34 at no charge.

35 c. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special

1 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
2 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
3 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
4 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
5 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
6 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
7 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
8 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
9 the surviving spouse.

10 20A. *Distinguished service, navy, or air force cross plates.*

11 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who was awarded  
12 a distinguished service cross, a navy cross, or an air force  
13 cross by the United States government may, upon written  
14 application to the department and presentation of satisfactory  
15 proof of the award, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate  
16 with a distinguished service cross, navy cross, or air force  
17 cross processed emblem. The emblem shall be designed by the  
18 department in consultation with the adjutant general. The  
19 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
20 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
21 designated distinguished service cross, navy cross, and air  
22 force cross plates, and [subsection 12](#), paragraph "c", from the  
23 issuance and annual validation of personalized distinguished  
24 service cross, navy cross, and air force cross plates shall  
25 be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in  
26 the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer  
27 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under  
28 section 321.145, subsection 2, to the veterans license fee  
29 fund created in [section 35A.11](#) the amount of the special fees  
30 collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", in the previous  
31 month for distinguished service cross, navy cross, and air  
32 force cross plates.

33 b. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
34 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
35 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set~~ of special registration

1 ~~plates~~ plate with a distinguished service cross, navy cross, or  
2 air force cross processed emblem at no charge.

3 *c.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
4 ~~plates~~ plate under this subsection may continue to use or apply  
5 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
6 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
7 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
8 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
9 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
10 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
11 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
12 the surviving spouse.

13 *20B. Soldier's, navy and marine corps, or airman's medal*  
14 *plates.*

15 *a.* An owner referred to in subsection 12 who was awarded  
16 a soldier's medal, a navy and marine corps medal, or an  
17 airman's medal by the United States government may, upon  
18 written application to the department and presentation of  
19 satisfactory proof of the award, order a special registration  
20 ~~plates~~ plate with a soldier's medal, navy and marine corps  
21 medal, or airman's medal processed emblem. The emblem shall be  
22 designed by the department in consultation with the adjutant  
23 general. The special plate fees collected by the director  
24 under subsection 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation  
25 of letter-number designated soldier's medal, navy and marine  
26 corps medal, and airman's medal plates, and subsection 12,  
27 paragraph "c", from the issuance and annual validation of  
28 personalized soldier's medal, navy and marine corps medal, and  
29 airman's medal plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer  
30 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
31 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
32 fund created under section 321.145, subsection 2, to the  
33 veterans license fee fund created in section 35A.11 the amount  
34 of the special fees collected under subsection 12, paragraph  
35 "a", in the previous month for soldier's medal, navy and marine

1 corps medal, and airman's medal plates.

2 *b.* Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
3 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
4 this subsection shall be issued one set of special registration  
5 ~~plates~~ plate with a soldier's medal, navy and marine corps  
6 medal, or airman's medal processed emblem at no charge.

7 *c.* The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
8 ~~plates~~ plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
9 for and use the special ~~plates~~ plate subject to registration  
10 of the special ~~plates~~ plate in the surviving spouse's name  
11 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
12 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
13 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
14 return the special ~~plates~~ plate to the department and the  
15 department shall issue a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to  
16 the surviving spouse.

17 Sec. 28. Section 321.34, subsection 20C, paragraphs b, c,  
18 and d, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

19 *b.* An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who was awarded a  
20 combat infantryman badge, combat action badge, combat action  
21 ribbon, air force combat action medal, or combat medical badge  
22 by the United States government may, upon written application  
23 to the department and presentation of satisfactory proof of  
24 the award, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a  
25 combat infantryman badge, combat action badge, combat action  
26 ribbon, air force combat action medal, or combat medical badge  
27 processed emblem. The special plate fees collected by the  
28 director under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", from the annual  
29 validation of letter-number designated combat infantryman  
30 badge, combat action badge, combat action ribbon, air force  
31 combat action medal, and combat medical badge plates, and  
32 [subsection 12](#), paragraph "c", from the issuance and annual  
33 validation of personalized combat infantryman badge, combat  
34 action badge, combat action ribbon, air force combat action  
35 medal, and combat medical badge plates shall be paid monthly

1 to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road use tax  
2 fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from the  
3 statutory allocations fund created under section 321.145,  
4 subsection 2, to the veterans license fee fund created in  
5 section 35A.11 the amount of the special fees collected under  
6 subsection 12, paragraph "a", in the previous month for combat  
7 infantryman badge, combat action badge, combat action ribbon,  
8 air force combat action medal, and combat medical badge plates.

9 c. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
10 who is approved for a special registration plates plate under  
11 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
12 plates plate with a combat infantryman badge, combat action  
13 badge, combat action ribbon, air force combat action medal,  
14 or combat medical badge distinguishing processed emblem at no  
15 charge.

16 d. The surviving spouse of a person who was issued a special  
17 plates plate under [this subsection](#) may continue to use or apply  
18 for and use the special plates plate subject to registration  
19 of the special plates plate in the surviving spouse's name  
20 and upon payment of the annual five-dollar special plate fee  
21 and the regular annual registration fee for the vehicle. If  
22 the surviving spouse remarries, the surviving spouse shall  
23 return the special plates plate to the department and the  
24 department shall issue a regular registration plates plate to  
25 the surviving spouse.

26 Sec. 29. Section 321.34, subsection 21, paragraphs a and b,  
27 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

28 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) may, upon written  
29 application to the department, order a special registration  
30 plates plate with an Iowa heritage emblem. The emblem shall  
31 contain a picture of the American gothic house and the words  
32 "Iowa Heritage" and shall be designed by the department in  
33 consultation with the state historical society of Iowa.

34 b. The special Iowa heritage fee for a letter-number  
35 designated plates plate is thirty-five dollars. The

1 special fee for a personalized Iowa heritage ~~plates~~ plate is  
2 twenty-five dollars which shall be paid in addition to the  
3 special fee of thirty-five dollars. The annual special Iowa  
4 heritage fee is ten dollars for a letter-number designated  
5 registration ~~plates~~ plate and is fifteen dollars for a  
6 personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be paid in  
7 addition to the regular annual registration fee.

8 Sec. 30. Section 321.34, subsections 22, 23, and 24, Code  
9 2018, are amended to read as follows:

10 22. *Education plates.*

11 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#), upon written  
12 application to the department, may order a special registration  
13 ~~plates~~ plate with an education emblem. The education emblem  
14 shall be designed by the department in cooperation with the  
15 department of education.

16 b. The special school transportation fee for a letter-number  
17 designated education ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The  
18 fee for a personalized education ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five  
19 dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the special school  
20 transportation fee of thirty-five dollars. The annual special  
21 school transportation fee is ten dollars for a letter-number  
22 designated registration ~~plates~~ plate and is fifteen dollars for  
23 a personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate which shall be paid  
24 in addition to the regular annual registration fee. The fees  
25 collected by the director under [this subsection](#) shall be paid  
26 monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in the road  
27 use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer monthly  
28 from the statutory allocations fund created under section  
29 321.145, subsection 2, to the school budget review committee  
30 in accordance with [section 257.31, subsection 17](#), the amount  
31 of the special school transportation fees collected in the  
32 previous month for the education plates.

33 23. *Breast cancer awareness plates.*

34 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the  
35 director may issue a breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate to an



1 owner of a motor vehicle referred to in [subsection 12](#).

2 *b.* Breast cancer awareness plates shall contain an image  
3 of a pink ribbon and shall be designed by the department in  
4 consultation with the Susan G. Komen foundation.

5 *c.* The special fee for a letter-number designated breast  
6 cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five dollars. The fee  
7 for a personalized breast cancer awareness ~~plates~~ plate is  
8 twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition to the  
9 special breast cancer awareness fee of thirty-five dollars.  
10 The fees collected by the director under [this subsection](#) shall  
11 be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and deposited in  
12 the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state shall transfer  
13 monthly from the statutory allocations fund created under  
14 section 321.145, subsection 2, to the Iowa department of public  
15 health the amount of the special fees collected in the previous  
16 month for the breast cancer awareness plates and such funds  
17 are appropriated to the Iowa department of public health. The  
18 Iowa department of public health shall distribute one hundred  
19 percent of the funds received monthly in the form of grants to  
20 support breast cancer screenings for both men and women who  
21 meet eligibility requirements like those established by the  
22 Susan G. Komen foundation. In the awarding of grants, the Iowa  
23 department of public health shall give first consideration  
24 to affiliates of the Susan G. Komen foundation and similar  
25 nonprofit organizations providing for breast cancer screenings  
26 at no cost in Iowa. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys  
27 transferred under [this subsection](#) shall not revert to the  
28 general fund of the state.

29 *d.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
30 the applicant shall surrender the current registration ~~plates~~  
31 plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
32 validate the special registration plates in the same manner  
33 as regular registration plates are validated under this  
34 section. The annual special breast cancer awareness fee for  
35 a letter-number designated ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which

1 shall be paid in addition to the regular annual registration  
2 fee. The annual special fee for a personalized breast cancer  
3 awareness ~~plates~~ plate is five dollars, which shall be paid  
4 in addition to the annual special breast cancer awareness fee  
5 and the regular annual registration fee. The annual special  
6 breast cancer awareness fee shall be credited and transferred  
7 as provided under paragraph "c".

8 24. *Gold star plates.*

9 a. An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who is the  
10 surviving spouse, parent, child, or sibling of a deceased  
11 member of the United States armed forces who died while serving  
12 on active duty during a time of military conflict or who died  
13 as a result of such service may order a special registration  
14 ~~plates~~ plate bearing a gold star emblem upon written  
15 application to the department accompanied by satisfactory  
16 supporting documentation as determined by the department.  
17 The gold star emblem shall be designed by the department in  
18 cooperation with the commission of veterans affairs. The  
19 special plate fees collected by the director under subsection  
20 12, paragraph "a", from the annual validation of letter-number  
21 designated gold star plates, and [subsection 12](#), paragraph "c",  
22 from the issuance and annual validation of personalized gold  
23 star plates shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and  
24 deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
25 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
26 created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the veterans  
27 license fee fund created in [section 35A.11](#) the amount of the  
28 special fees collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", in  
29 the previous month for gold star plates.

30 b. Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
31 who is approved for a special registration ~~plates~~ plate under  
32 this subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
33 ~~plates~~ plate bearing a gold star emblem at no charge.

34 Sec. 31. Section 321.34, subsection 25, paragraph b, Code  
35 2018, is amended to read as follows:

1     *b.* An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#), upon written  
2 application to the department, may order a special registration  
3 ~~plates~~ plate with a civil war sesquicentennial processed  
4 emblem. The special plate fees collected by the director under  
5 subsection 12, paragraphs "a" and "c", from the issuance and  
6 annual validation of letter-number designated and personalized  
7 civil war sesquicentennial plates shall be paid monthly to the  
8 treasurer of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The  
9 treasurer of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory  
10 allocations fund created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#),  
11 to the department of cultural affairs the amount of the special  
12 fees collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", in the  
13 previous month for civil war sesquicentennial plates, and such  
14 funds are appropriated to the department of cultural affairs to  
15 be used for the Iowa battle flag project.

16     Sec. 32. Section 321.34, subsection 26, paragraphs b and c,  
17 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

18     *b.* An owner of a motor vehicle referred to in subsection  
19 12, upon written application to the department, may order  
20 a special registration ~~plates~~ plate with a fallen peace  
21 officers processed emblem. The special fee for a letter-number  
22 designated fallen peace officers ~~plates~~ plate is thirty-five  
23 dollars. The fee for a personalized fallen peace officers  
24 ~~plates~~ plate is twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid  
25 in addition to the special fallen peace officers fee of  
26 thirty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director under  
27 this paragraph shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state  
28 and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer of state  
29 shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations fund  
30 created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the department  
31 of public safety the amount of the special fees collected  
32 in the previous month for the fallen peace officers plates  
33 and such funds are appropriated to the department of public  
34 safety. The department of public safety shall distribute one  
35 hundred percent of the funds received monthly in the form of

1 grants to nonprofit organizations that provide resources to  
2 assist in the rebuilding of the lives of surviving families  
3 and affected coworkers of law enforcement officers killed in  
4 the line of duty. In the awarding of grants, the department  
5 of public safety shall give first consideration to concerns of  
6 police survivors, inc., and similar nonprofit organizations  
7 providing such resources. Notwithstanding [section 8.33](#), moneys  
8 transferred under [this subsection](#) shall not revert to the  
9 general fund of the state.

10 *c.* Upon receipt of the special registration ~~plates~~ plate,  
11 the applicant shall surrender the current registration ~~plates~~  
12 plate to the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall  
13 validate the special registration plates in the same manner  
14 as regular registration plates are validated under this  
15 section. The annual special fallen peace officers fee for a  
16 letter-number designated ~~plates~~ plate is ten dollars, which  
17 shall be paid in addition to the regular annual registration  
18 fee. The annual special fee for a personalized fallen peace  
19 officers ~~plates~~ plate is five dollars, which shall be paid  
20 in addition to the annual special fallen peace officers fee  
21 and the regular annual registration fee. The annual special  
22 fallen peace officers fee shall be credited and transferred as  
23 provided under paragraph "b".

24 Sec. 33. Section 321.34, subsection 27, Code 2018, is  
25 amended to read as follows:

26 *27. United States veteran plates.*

27 *a.* An owner referred to in [subsection 12](#) who served in  
28 the armed forces of the United States and was discharged  
29 under honorable conditions may, upon written application  
30 to the department and upon presentation of satisfactory  
31 proof of military service and discharge under honorable  
32 conditions, order a special registration ~~plates~~ plate bearing a  
33 distinguishing processed emblem depicting the word "veteran"  
34 below an image of the American flag. The application is  
35 subject to approval by the department. The special plate fees

1 collected by the director under [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a",  
2 from the annual validation of letter-number designated United  
3 States veteran plates, and [subsection 12](#), paragraph "c", from  
4 the issuance and annual validation of personalized United  
5 States veteran plates, shall be paid monthly to the treasurer  
6 of state and deposited in the road use tax fund. The treasurer  
7 of state shall transfer monthly from the statutory allocations  
8 fund created under [section 321.145, subsection 2](#), to the  
9 veterans license fee fund created in [section 35A.11](#) the amount  
10 of the special fees collected under [subsection 12](#), paragraph  
11 "a", in the previous month for United States veteran plates.

12 *b.* Notwithstanding [subsection 12](#), paragraph "a", an owner  
13 who is approved for a special registration plate under this  
14 subsection shall be issued one ~~set of~~ special registration  
15 ~~plates~~ plate bearing a distinguishing processed emblem  
16 depicting the word "veteran" below an image of the American  
17 flag at no charge.

18 Sec. 34. Section 321.37, Code 2018, is amended to read as  
19 follows:

20 **321.37 Display of ~~plates~~ registration plate.**

21 1. ~~Registration plates~~ The registration plate issued for a  
22 motor vehicle other than an ~~autocycle, motorcycle, motorized~~  
23 ~~bicycle, or a~~ truck tractor shall be attached to the rear of  
24 the motor vehicle, ~~one in the front and the other in the rear.~~  
25 ~~The registration plate issued for an autocycle, motorcycle,~~  
26 ~~or other vehicle required to be registered hereunder shall be~~  
27 ~~attached to the rear of the vehicle.~~ The registration plate  
28 issued for a truck tractor shall be attached to the front of  
29 the truck tractor. The special plate issued to a dealer shall  
30 be attached on the rear of the vehicle when operated on the  
31 highways of this state.

32 2. ~~Registration plates issued for a motor vehicle which~~  
33 ~~is model year 1948 or older, and reconstructed or specially~~  
34 ~~constructed vehicles built to resemble a model year 1948~~  
35 ~~vehicle or older, other than a truck registered for more than~~

1 ~~five tons, autocycle, motorcycle, or truck tractor, may display~~  
2 ~~one registration plate on the rear of the vehicle if the other~~  
3 ~~registration plate issued to the vehicle is carried in the~~  
4 ~~vehicle at all times when the vehicle is operated on a public~~  
5 ~~highway.~~

6 ~~3.~~ 2. It is unlawful for the owner of a vehicle to place  
7 any frame around or over the registration plate which does not  
8 permit full view of all numerals and letters printed on the  
9 registration plate.

10 Sec. 35. Section 321.41, subsection 3, Code 2018, is amended  
11 to read as follows:

12 3. A person who has registered a vehicle in a county,  
13 other than the county designated on the vehicle registration  
14 plate, may apply to the county treasurer where the vehicle is  
15 registered for a new registration plates plate upon payment  
16 of a fee of five dollars and the return of the former county  
17 registration ~~plates~~ plate.

18 Sec. 36. Section 321.42, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended  
19 to read as follows:

20 1. If a registration card, or ~~plate, or pair of plates~~  
21 is lost or becomes illegible, the owner shall immediately  
22 apply for replacement. The fee for a replacement registration  
23 card is three dollars. The fee for a replacement plate ~~or~~  
24 ~~pair of plates~~ other than a replacement of a special plate  
25 issued pursuant to [section 321.60](#) is five dollars. The  
26 fee for replacement of a special plate issued pursuant to  
27 section 321.60 is forty dollars. When the owner has furnished  
28 information required by the department and paid the proper fee,  
29 a duplicate, substitute, or new registration card, or ~~plate,~~  
30 ~~or pair of plates~~ may be issued. The county treasurer or the  
31 department may waive the fee for a replacement plate if the  
32 plate is lost during a documented accident.

33 Sec. 37. Section 321.46, subsection 7, Code 2018, is amended  
34 to read as follows:

35 7. If a motor vehicle is leased and the lessee purchases

1 the vehicle upon termination of the lease, the lessor shall,  
2 upon claim by the lessee with the lessor within six months of  
3 the purchase, assign the annual registration fee credit and  
4 registration ~~plates~~ plate for the leased motor vehicle to the  
5 lessee. Credit shall be applied as provided in [subsection 3](#).

6 Sec. 38. Section 321.47, subsection 3, Code 2018, is amended  
7 to read as follows:

8 3. Whenever ownership of a vehicle is transferred under the  
9 provisions of [this section](#), the registration ~~plates~~ plate shall  
10 be removed and forwarded to the county treasurer of the county  
11 where the vehicle is registered or to the department if the  
12 vehicle is owned by a nonresident. Upon transfer the vehicle  
13 shall not be operated upon the highways of this state until the  
14 person entitled to possession of the vehicle applies for and  
15 obtains registration for the vehicle.

16 Sec. 39. Section 321.52, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended  
17 to read as follows:

18 1. When a vehicle is sold outside the state for purposes  
19 other than for junk, the owner, dealer, or otherwise, shall  
20 detach the registration ~~plates~~ plate and registration card and  
21 shall indicate on the registration card the name and address  
22 of the foreign purchaser or transferee over the person's  
23 signature. Unless the registration ~~plates are~~ plate is  
24 legally attached to another vehicle, the owner shall surrender  
25 the registration ~~plates~~ plate and registration card to the  
26 county treasurer, who shall cancel the records, destroy the  
27 registration ~~plates~~ plate, and forward the registration card  
28 to the department. The department shall make a notation on  
29 the records of the out-of-state sale and, after a reasonable  
30 period, may destroy the files for that particular vehicle.  
31 The department is not authorized to make a refund of annual  
32 registration fees on a vehicle sold out of state unless it  
33 receives the registration card completed as provided in this  
34 section.

35 Sec. 40. Section 321.52, subsection 3, paragraphs a and b,

1 Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

2     *a.* When a vehicle for which a certificate of title is issued  
3 is junked or dismantled by the owner, the owner shall detach  
4 the registration ~~plates~~ plate and surrender the ~~plates~~ plate to  
5 the county treasurer, unless the ~~plates~~ plate is properly  
6 assigned to another vehicle. The owner shall also surrender  
7 the certificate of title to the county treasurer, except when  
8 the vehicle is disposed of pursuant to [subsection 2](#), paragraph  
9 “*b*”.

10     *b.* Upon the surrender of the certificate of title and  
11 application for junking certificate, the county treasurer shall  
12 issue to the person, without fee, a junking certificate, which  
13 shall authorize the holder to possess, transport, or transfer  
14 ownership of the junked vehicle by endorsement of the junking  
15 certificate. The county treasurer shall hold the surrendered  
16 certificate of title, registration receipt, application for  
17 junking certificate, and, if applicable, the registration  
18 ~~plates~~ plate for a period of fourteen days following the  
19 issuance of a junking certificate under [this subsection](#).

20     Sec. 41. Section 321.57, subsection 3, Code 2018, is amended  
21 to read as follows:

22     3. Also, a transporter may operate or move any vehicle of  
23 like type upon the highways solely for the purpose of delivery  
24 upon likewise displaying ~~thereon~~ on the vehicle a like ~~plates~~  
25 plate issued to the transporter as provided in these sections.

26     Sec. 42. Section 321.89, subsection 1, paragraph *a*,  
27 subparagraph (1), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

28     (1) A vehicle that has been left unattended on public  
29 property for more than twenty-four hours and lacks a current  
30 registration ~~plates~~ plate or two or more wheels or other parts  
31 which renders the vehicle totally inoperable.

32     Sec. 43. Section 321.96, subsection 1, Code 2018, is amended  
33 to read as follows:

34     1. A person shall not display or cause or permit to be  
35 displayed, or have in the person’s possession, a vehicle



1 identification number or component part number except as  
2 provided in this chapter, or a canceled, revoked, altered,  
3 or fictitious registration number ~~plates~~ plate, registration  
4 receipt, or certificate of title, as the same are respectively  
5 provided for in this chapter.

6 Sec. 44. Section 321.98, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code  
7 2018, is amended to read as follows:

8 a. A valid registration card and registration plate ~~or~~  
9 ~~plates~~ issued for the vehicle for the current registration  
10 year are attached to and displayed on the vehicle when and as  
11 required by this chapter; and

12 Sec. 45. Section 321.101A, Code 2018, is amended to read as  
13 follows:

14 **321.101A Revocation of registration by county treasurer.**

15 The county treasurer may revoke the registration and  
16 registration ~~plates~~ plate of a vehicle if the annual  
17 registration fee or the fee for new registration is paid by  
18 check, electronic payment, or credit card and the check,  
19 electronic payment, or credit card is not honored by the  
20 payer's financial institution or credit card company, upon  
21 reasonable notice and demand. The owner of the vehicle or  
22 person in possession of the registration and registration  
23 ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle shall immediately return the  
24 revoked registration and registration ~~plates~~ plate to the  
25 appropriate county treasurer's office.

26 Sec. 46. Section 321.103, Code 2018, is amended to read as  
27 follows:

28 **321.103 Owner to return evidences of registration and title.**

29 ~~Whenever~~ If the department as authorized ~~hereunder~~ under  
30 this chapter cancels, suspends, or revokes the registration  
31 of a vehicle, or certificate of title, or registration  
32 card, or registration plate ~~or plates~~, or any nonresident or  
33 other permit or the registration of any dealer, the owner or  
34 person in possession of the same shall immediately return the  
35 evidences of registration, certificate of title, or ~~plates~~

1 plate so canceled, suspended, or revoked to the department.

2 Sec. 47. Section 321.104, subsection 3, Code 2018, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 3. To fail to surrender a certificate of title, registration  
5 card, or registration ~~plates~~ plate upon cancellation,  
6 suspension, or revocation of the certificate or registration by  
7 the department and notice as prescribed in [this chapter](#).

8 Sec. 48. Section 321.105, subsections 2 and 5, Code 2018,  
9 are amended to read as follows:

10 2. The annual registration fee shall be paid to the county  
11 treasurer at the same time the application is made for the  
12 registration or reregistration of the motor vehicle or trailer.  
13 An owner may, when applying for registration or reregistration  
14 of a motor vehicle or trailer, request that the ~~plates~~ plate be  
15 mailed to the owner's post office address. The owner's request  
16 shall be accompanied by a mailing fee as determined annually by  
17 the director in consultation with the Iowa county treasurers  
18 association.

19 5. Seriously disabled veterans who have been provided with  
20 an automobile or other vehicle by the United States government  
21 under the provisions of ~~§1901 – 1903, Tit. 38 of the United~~  
22 ~~States Code, 38 U.S.C. §1901 et seq. (1970) §3901 – 3904~~, shall  
23 be exempt from payment of the registration fee fees provided in  
24 this chapter for that vehicle, and shall be provided, without  
25 fee, with one ~~set of~~ regular registration ~~plates~~ plate or one  
26 ~~set of~~ any type of special registration ~~plates~~ plate associated  
27 with service in the United States armed forces for which the  
28 disabled veteran qualifies under [section 321.34](#). The disabled  
29 veteran, to be able to claim the benefit, must be a resident of  
30 the state of Iowa. In lieu of the ~~set of~~ regular or special  
31 military registration ~~plates~~ plate available without fee,  
32 the disabled veteran may obtain a ~~set of~~ nonmilitary special  
33 registration ~~plates~~ plate or personalized ~~plates~~ plate issued  
34 under [section 321.34](#) by paying the additional fees associated  
35 with ~~those plates~~ that plate.

1     Sec. 49. Section 321.115, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code  
2 2018, is amended to read as follows:

3     c. The owner of a motor vehicle registered under this  
4 subsection may display an authentic Iowa registration plate  
5 or set of plates from the model year of the motor vehicle,  
6 furnished by the person and approved by the department, in  
7 lieu of the current and valid Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate  
8 issued for the vehicle, provided that the current and valid  
9 Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate and the registration card issued  
10 for the vehicle are simultaneously carried within the vehicle  
11 and are available for inspection to any peace officer upon the  
12 officer's request.

13     Sec. 50. Section 321.115A, subsection 1, Code 2018, is  
14 amended to read as follows:

15     1. A motor vehicle may be registered as a replica vehicle or  
16 street rod. The annual registration fee is the fee provided  
17 for in [section 321.109](#), [321.113](#), [321.122](#), or [321.124](#). The  
18 owner of a vehicle registered under [this section](#) may display  
19 a registration plate or set of plates from or representing  
20 the model year of the motor vehicle or the model year of the  
21 motor vehicle the registered vehicle is designed to resemble,  
22 furnished by the person and approved by the department, in  
23 lieu of the current and valid Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate  
24 issued for the vehicle, provided that the current and valid  
25 Iowa registration ~~plates~~ plate and the registration card issued  
26 for the vehicle are simultaneously carried within the vehicle  
27 and are available for inspection to any peace officer upon the  
28 officer's request.

29     Sec. 51. Section 321.120, subsection 3, Code 2018, is  
30 amended to read as follows:

31     3. Upon approval of the application and payment of the  
32 proper fees, the county treasurer shall issue a regular  
33 registration plates plate for the business-trade truck. The  
34 department may adopt rules requiring the use of a sticker or  
35 other means to identify motor vehicles registered under this

1 section.

2 Sec. 52. Section 321.121, subsection 2, Code 2018, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 2. Upon approval of the application and payment of the  
5 proper fees, the county treasurer shall issue a regular  
6 registration ~~plates~~ plate for the special truck. The  
7 department may adopt rules requiring the use of a sticker or  
8 other means to identify motor vehicles registered under this  
9 section.

10 Sec. 53. Section 321.126, subsection 1, paragraphs a, c, d,  
11 and h, Code 2018, are amended to read as follows:

12 a. If the vehicle is destroyed by fire or accident, or  
13 junked and its identity as a vehicle entirely eliminated, the  
14 owner in whose name the vehicle was registered at the time of  
15 destruction or dismantling shall return the ~~plates~~ registration  
16 plate to the department and within thirty days thereafter make  
17 a statement of such destruction or dismantling and make claim  
18 for refund. With reference to the destruction or dismantling  
19 of a vehicle, no refund shall be allowed unless a junking  
20 certificate has been issued, as provided in [section 321.52](#).

21 c. If the vehicle is placed in storage by the owner upon  
22 the owner's entry into the military service of the United  
23 States, the owner shall return the ~~plates~~ registration plate  
24 to the county treasurer or the department and make a statement  
25 regarding the storage and military service and make claim for  
26 refund. Whenever the owner of a vehicle so placed in storage  
27 desires to again register the vehicle, the county treasurer or  
28 department shall compute and collect the fees for registration  
29 for the registration year commencing in the month the vehicle  
30 is removed from storage.

31 d. If the vehicle is registered by the county treasurer  
32 during the current registration year and the owner or lessee  
33 registers the vehicle for apportioned registration under  
34 chapter 326, the owner of the registered vehicle shall  
35 surrender the registration ~~plates~~ plate to the county treasurer

1 and may file a claim for refund. In lieu of a refund, a credit  
2 for the annual registration fees paid to the county treasurer  
3 may be applied by the department to the owner or lessee's  
4 apportioned registration fees upon the surrender of the county  
5 ~~plates~~ plate and registration.

6 *h.* If the owner of the vehicle moves out of state, the  
7 owner may make a claim for a refund by returning the Iowa  
8 registration ~~plates~~ plate, along with evidence of the vehicle's  
9 registration in another jurisdiction, to the county treasurer  
10 of the county in which the vehicle was registered within  
11 six months of the out-of-state registration. For purposes  
12 of [section 321.127](#), the unexpired months remaining in the  
13 registration year shall be calculated on the basis of the  
14 effective date of the out-of-state registration. However, for  
15 the purpose of timely issuance of the refund, the claim for a  
16 refund under this paragraph is considered to be filed on the  
17 date the registration documents are received by the county  
18 treasurer.

19 Sec. 54. Section 321.134, subsection 1, Code 2018, is  
20 amended to read as follows:

21 1. On the first day of the second month following the  
22 beginning of each registration year a penalty of five percent  
23 of the annual registration fee shall be added to the annual  
24 registration fees not paid by that date and an additional  
25 penalty of five percent shall be added the first day of each  
26 succeeding month, until the fee is paid. A penalty shall  
27 not be less than five dollars. If the owner of a vehicle  
28 surrenders the registration ~~plates~~ plate for a vehicle prior to  
29 the ~~plates~~ plate becoming delinquent, to the county treasurer  
30 of the county where the vehicle is registered, or to the  
31 department if the vehicle is registered under [chapter 326](#),  
32 the owner may register the vehicle any time thereafter upon  
33 payment of the annual registration fee for the registration  
34 year without penalty. To avoid a penalty or an additional  
35 penalty in the case of a delinquent registration through a

1 county treasurer, if the last calendar day of a month falls  
2 on Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the payment deadline is  
3 extended to include the first business day of the following  
4 month. For payments made through a county treasurer's  
5 authorized internet site only, if the last day of the month  
6 falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday, the electronic  
7 payment must be entered by midnight on the first business day  
8 of the next month. All other electronic payments must be  
9 entered by midnight on the last day of the month preceding the  
10 delinquent date.

11 Sec. 55. Section 321.166, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
12 2018, is amended to read as follows:

13 ~~b. Trailers~~ A trailer with an empty weights weight of two  
14 thousand pounds or less may, upon request, be licensed with a  
15 regular-sized license plates plate.

16 Sec. 56. Section 321.166, subsections 2, 6, 8, and 10, Code  
17 2018, are amended to read as follows:

18 2. Every registration plate ~~or pair of plates~~ shall  
19 display a registration plate number which shall consist  
20 of alphabetical or numerical characters or a combination  
21 ~~thereof~~ of characters and the name of this state, which may be  
22 abbreviated. Every registration plate issued by the county  
23 treasurer shall display the name of the county, including any  
24 plate issued pursuant to [section 321.34](#), except Pearl Harbor  
25 and purple heart registration plates issued prior to January 1,  
26 1997; registration plates issued pursuant to section 321.34,  
27 subsection 13, paragraph "d"; and collegiate, fire fighter, and  
28 medal of honor registration plates. Special truck registration  
29 plates shall display the word "special". The department may  
30 adopt rules to implement [this subsection](#).

31 6. ~~Registration plates~~ A registration plate issued to a  
32 disabled veteran under the provisions of [section 321.105](#) shall  
33 display the alphabetical characters "DV" which shall precede  
34 the registration plate number. The ~~plates~~ plate may also  
35 display a persons with disabilities parking sticker if issued

1 to the disabled veteran by the department under [section 321L.2](#).

2 8. The owner of a trailer with an empty weight of two  
3 thousand pounds or less shall receive ~~a registration plates~~  
4 plate for the trailer smaller than ~~plates~~ a plate regularly  
5 issued for ~~automobiles~~ a motor vehicle pursuant to rules  
6 adopted by the department in accordance with [this section](#)  
7 unless the owner requests a regular-sized plates plate.

8 10. If the department reissues a new registration plate  
9 design for a special registration plate under [section 321.34](#),  
10 all persons who have purchased or obtained the special  
11 registration ~~plates~~ plate shall not be required to pay the  
12 issuance fee.

13 Sec. 57. Section 321.385A, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code  
14 2018, is amended to read as follows:

15 b. A citation issued for failure to have rear lamps as  
16 required under [section 321.387](#) or a ~~rear~~ registration plate  
17 light as required under [section 321.388](#) shall first provide for  
18 a seventy-two hour period within which the person charged with  
19 the violation shall replace or repair the lamps or light.

20 Sec. 58. Section 321.385A, subsection 2, Code 2018, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 2. If the person complies with the directive to replace or  
23 repair the headlamp, rear lamps, or ~~rear~~ registration plate  
24 light within the allotted time period, the citation shall be  
25 expunged. If the person fails to comply within the allotted  
26 time period, the citation shall be processed in the same manner  
27 as other citations.

28 Sec. 59. Section 321.388, Code 2018, is amended to read as  
29 follows:

30 **321.388 Illuminating plates.**

31 Either the rear lamp or a separate lamp shall be so  
32 constructed and placed as to illuminate with a white light the  
33 ~~rear~~ registration plate attached to the rear of the vehicle and  
34 render it clearly legible from a distance of fifty feet to the  
35 rear. When the ~~rear~~ registration plate is illuminated by an

1 electric lamp other than the required rear lamp, the two lamps  
2 shall be turned on or off only by the same control switch at  
3 all times when headlamps are lighted. **This section** does not  
4 apply to commercial vehicles engaged exclusively in intrastate  
5 commerce that are dump trucks or that are used exclusively for  
6 the movement of construction materials and equipment to and  
7 from construction projects.

8 Sec. 60. Section 321J.4B, subsection 5, paragraph f,  
9 subparagraph (1), Code 2018, is amended to read as follows:

10 (1) If the vehicle subject to the court order is not in  
11 the custody of a law enforcement agency, the person or agency  
12 designated in the order as the person or agency responsible for  
13 executing the order shall, upon receipt of the order, promptly  
14 locate the vehicle specified in the order, seize the motor  
15 vehicle and the ~~license plates~~ registration plate, and send or  
16 deliver the vehicle's ~~license plates~~ registration plate to the  
17 department.

18 Sec. 61. Section 321J.4B, subsection 7, Code 2018, is  
19 amended to read as follows:

20 7. a. Upon receipt of a notice of conviction of the  
21 defendant for a violation of **subsection 2**, the impounding  
22 authority shall seize the motor vehicle's ~~license plates~~  
23 registration plate and registration, and shall send or deliver  
24 them to the department.

25 b. The department shall destroy ~~license plates~~ a  
26 registration plate received under **this section** and shall not  
27 authorize the release of the vehicle or the issuance of a new  
28 ~~license plates~~ registration plate for the vehicle until the  
29 period of impoundment or immobilization has expired, and the  
30 fee and costs assessed under **subsection 10** have been paid. The  
31 fee for issuance of a new ~~license plates~~ registration plate and  
32 ~~certificates~~ certificate of registration shall be the same as  
33 for the replacement of a lost, mutilated, or destroyed ~~license~~  
34 ~~plates~~ registration plate and ~~certificates~~ certificate of  
35 registration.



1     Sec. 62. Section 321L.2, subsection 1, paragraph a,  
2 subparagraphs (1) and (2), Code 2018, are amended to read as  
3 follows:

4     (1) Persons with disabilities registration plates. An  
5 applicant may order a persons with disabilities registration  
6 ~~plates~~ plate pursuant to [section 321.34](#). An applicant may  
7 order a persons with disabilities registration plate for a  
8 trailer used to transport a wheelchair pursuant to section  
9 321.34 in addition to a persons with disabilities registration  
10 ~~plates~~ plate ordered by the applicant for a motor vehicle used  
11 to tow such a trailer pursuant to [section 321.34](#).

12     (2) Persons with disabilities parking sticker. An  
13 applicant who owns a motor vehicle for which the applicant has  
14 been issued a registration ~~plates~~ plate under [section 321.34](#)  
15 or a registration ~~plates~~ plate as a seriously disabled veteran  
16 under [section 321.105](#) may apply to the department for a persons  
17 with disabilities parking sticker to be affixed to the ~~plates~~  
18 plate. The persons with disabilities parking stickers shall  
19 bear the international symbol of accessibility.

20     Sec. 63. Section 321L.2, subsection 5, Code 2018, is amended  
21 to read as follows:

22     5. A seriously disabled veteran who has been provided with  
23 an automobile or other vehicle by the United States government  
24 under the provisions of 38 U.S.C. ~~§1901 et seq. (1970)~~ §3901 -  
25 3904 is not required to apply for a persons with disabilities  
26 parking permit under [this section](#) unless the veteran has been  
27 issued a special registration ~~plates~~ plate or personalized  
28 ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle. The regular registration ~~plates~~  
29 plate issued for the disabled veteran's vehicle without fee  
30 pursuant to [section 321.105](#) ~~entitle~~ entitles the disabled  
31 veteran to all of the rights and privileges associated with  
32 persons with disabilities parking permits under [this chapter](#).

33     Sec. 64. Section 321L.2A, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code  
34 2018, is amended to read as follows:

35     e. The person carries in the motor vehicle a copy

1 of the statement from a physician, physician assistant,  
2 advanced registered nurse practitioner, or chiropractor  
3 which accompanied the person's application for a persons with  
4 disabilities registration plates plate under section 321.34 or  
5 other persons with disabilities parking permit under section  
6 321L.2 and which indicates the person is permanently unable to  
7 walk. The person shall show the copy of the statement to any  
8 peace officer upon request.

9 Sec. 65. Section 326.3, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code  
10 2018, is amended to read as follows:

11 *b.* A recreational vehicle, a vehicle displaying a restricted  
12 plates plate, a bus used in the transportation of chartered  
13 parties, or a government-owned vehicle is not an apportionable  
14 vehicle; except that a truck or truck tractor, or the power  
15 unit in a combination of vehicles having a gross vehicle weight  
16 of twenty-six thousand pounds or less, or a bus used in the  
17 transportation of chartered parties may be registered under the  
18 plan at the option of the registrant.

19 Sec. 66. Section 326.12, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2018,  
20 is amended to read as follows:

21 Registrants who delete commercial vehicles displaying an  
22 Iowa base plates plate from the fleet after the commencement of  
23 the registration year shall be allowed to transfer registration  
24 credit to a replacement vehicle in accordance with this  
25 section. Iowa shall allow credit for non-Iowa based deleted  
26 vehicles only if the jurisdiction designated by the registrant  
27 as the base jurisdiction of the deleted vehicle permits  
28 transfer of registration credit to the replacement vehicle.  
29 Allowance of credit for deleted vehicles shall be subject to  
30 the following conditions:

31 Sec. 67. Section 721.8, Code 2018, is amended to read as  
32 follows:

33 **721.8 Labeling publicly owned motor vehicles.**

34 All publicly owned motor vehicles shall bear at least  
35 two labels in a conspicuous place, one on each side of the

1 vehicle. This label shall be designed to cover not less than  
2 one square foot of surface. **This section** does not apply to  
3 a motor vehicle which is specifically assigned by the head  
4 of the department or office owning or controlling it, to  
5 enforcement of police regulations or to motor vehicles issued  
6 an ordinary registration plates plate pursuant to section  
7 321.19, subsection 1.

8     Sec. 68. CODE EDITOR DIRECTIVE. The Code editor may make  
9 any change the Code editor deems necessary to any Code section  
10 that refers, in any context, to a set of, a pair of, or two  
11 motor vehicle registration plates rather than one registration  
12 plate, when there appears to be no doubt as to the proper  
13 method of making the correction.

14     Sec. 69. TRANSITION PROVISIONS. The transition from the  
15 use of registration plates on both the front and rear of  
16 certain motor vehicles to the use of such plates on only the  
17 front or rear of certain motor vehicles, as directed by this  
18 Act, shall be accomplished in stages. A person applying for  
19 a new or replacement registration plate on or after July 1,  
20 2018, shall receive only one registration plate. Otherwise,  
21 the transition shall not be accomplished until a new series of  
22 registration plates is issued to replace a current series. The  
23 department of transportation shall adopt rules to implement the  
24 transition.

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#### EXPLANATION

26             The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
27             the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

28     Under current law, two registration plates are issued  
29 for any motor vehicle other than an autocycle, motorcycle,  
30 motorized bicycle, or truck tractor, and are required to be  
31 attached to the front and rear of the vehicle, with certain  
32 exceptions.

33     This bill provides that only one registration plate shall  
34 be issued for a motor vehicle. The registration plate shall  
35 be attached to the rear of the motor vehicle, except that the

1 registration plate for a truck tractor shall be attached to the  
2 front of the truck tractor, consistent with current law.

3 The bill also makes corresponding Code language changes,  
4 makes some Code language changes to enhance readability,  
5 updates certain references to the United States Code, directs  
6 the Code editor to make changes to language referring to two  
7 registration plates rather than one, and provides for the  
8 transition from the use of two registration plates to the use  
9 of one registration plate.