

SENATE BILL NO. 716

February 07, 2024, Introduced by Senators KLINEFELT, SHINK and MCBROOM and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code," by amending sections 803a and 803b (MCL 257.803a and 257.803b), section 803a as amended by 1996 PA 404 and section 803b as amended by 2023 PA 129.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 803a. (1) The secretary of state may issue to the owner
2 of ~~an~~**a** historic vehicle ~~an~~**a** historic vehicle registration plate
3 ~~which shall bear~~**that bears** the inscription "historical vehicle -

1 Michigan" and the registration number.

2 (2) The owner of ~~an~~**a** historic vehicle applying for ~~an~~**a**
3 historic vehicle registration plate or a ~~registration tab renewal~~
4 **of a historic vehicle registration plate** under this section shall
5 ~~pay~~**do all of the following:**

6 (a) **Pay** a fee of **either** \$30.00 ~~, shall certify or,~~ **for a**
7 **personalized plate under section 803b, \$150.00, as applicable.**

8 (b) **Certify** that the vehicle for which the registration is
9 requested is owned and operated solely as ~~an~~**a** historic vehicle. ~~7~~
10 ~~and shall certify~~

11 (c) **Certify** that the vehicle has been inspected and found safe
12 to operate on the highways of this state.

13 (3) ~~The~~**A** registration certificate **for a historic vehicle** need
14 not specify the weight of the historic vehicle.

15 (4) ~~The~~**A** registration issued under this section is
16 transferable to another historic vehicle upon completion of the
17 application for transfer and payment of the fee in the manner
18 described in section 809.

19 (5) ~~(3)~~**A** registration issued under this section ~~shall expire~~
20 **expires** on April 15 in the tenth year following the date of
21 issuance of the registration.

22 (6) ~~(4)~~The secretary of state may revoke a registration
23 issued under this section, for cause shown and after ~~a hearing,~~**an**
24 **opportunity to be heard,** for failure of the applicant to comply
25 with this section, for use of the vehicle for which the
26 registration was issued for purposes other than those enumerated in
27 section 20a, or because the vehicle is not safe to operate on the
28 highways of this state.

29 Sec. 803b. (1) The secretary of state may issue 1 personalized

1 vehicle registration plate that must be used on the passenger motor
2 vehicle, pick-up truck, motorcycle, van, motor home, hearse, bus,
3 trailer coach, or trailer for which the plate is issued instead of
4 a standard plate. Personalized plates must bear letters and numbers
5 as the secretary of state prescribes. The personalized plates must
6 be made of the same material as standard plates. A personalized
7 plate must not duplicate another registration plate.

8 (2) An application for a personalized registration plate must
9 be submitted to the secretary of state under section 217.

10 Application for an original personalized registration plate must be
11 accompanied with payment of a service fee of \$8.00 for the first
12 month and of \$2.00 per month for each additional month of the
13 registration period in addition to the regular vehicle registration
14 fee. A second duplicate registration plate may be obtained by
15 requesting that option on the application and paying an additional
16 service fee of \$5.00. The original and duplicate service fees must
17 be deposited in the transportation administration collection fund
18 created in section 810b through October 1, 2027. Application for
19 the renewal of a personalized registration plate must be
20 accompanied with payment of a service fee of \$15.00 in addition to
21 the regular vehicle registration fee. The service fee must be
22 credited to the Michigan transportation fund established under, and
23 must be allocated as prescribed under, section 10 of 1951 PA 51,
24 MCL 247.660. The amount allocated to the state trunk line fund
25 established under section 11 of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.661, must be
26 used by the state transportation department for litter pickup and
27 cleanup on state roads and rights-of-way.

28 (3) The expiration date for a personalized registration plate
29 is as prescribed under section 226. Upon the issuance or renewal of

1 a personalized registration plate, the secretary of state may issue
2 a tab or tabs designating the month and year of expiration. Upon
3 the renewal of a personalized registration plate, the secretary of
4 state shall issue a new tab or tabs for the rear plate designating
5 the next expiration date of the plate. Upon renewal, the secretary
6 of state shall not issue the owner a new exact duplicate of the
7 expired plate unless the plate is illegible and the owner pays the
8 service fee and registration fee for an original personalized
9 registration plate.

10 (4) The sequence of letters or numbers or combination of
11 letters and numbers on a personalized plate must not be given to a
12 different person in a subsequent year unless the person to whom the
13 plate was issued does not reapply before the expiration date of the
14 plate.

15 (5) An applicant who applies for a registration plate under
16 section 217d, **803a**, 803e, 803f, 803j, 803k, 803l, 803n, or 803o is
17 eligible to request, and the secretary of state may issue, the
18 registration plate with a **personalized** sequence of letters and
19 numbers ~~otherwise~~ authorized under this section.

20 (6) The secretary of state may issue a temporary permit to a
21 person who has submitted an application and the proper fees for a
22 personalized registration plate if the applicant's vehicle
23 registration may expire before receipt of the applicant's
24 personalized registration plate. The temporary registration is
25 valid for not more than 60 days after the date of issuance. The
26 temporary permit must be issued without a fee.

27 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 1 year
28 after the date it is enacted into law.