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BILL SUMMARY

- Creates "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates to provide funds to the Department of Health, which must expend the money on its programs for children who have medical handicaps.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

"Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates

Under the bill, the owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles may apply for issuance of "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates. The request for "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate provided in current law. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with the bill's requirements, the Registrar is required to issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates with a validation sticker or a validation sticker alone when required by current law.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed on the license plates, "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates must bear identifying words or markings designated by the Department of Health and approved by the Registrar. "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates must display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number. (R.C. 4503.721(A).)

"Children with Medical Handicaps" license plates and validation stickers are issued upon payment of the regular license tax prescribed in current law, any

applicable local motor vehicle license tax, any applicable additional special reserved license plate fee, an additional \$10 Bureau of Motor Vehicles fee, and a \$20 contribution for the Department of Health, as well as compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles (R.C. 4503.721(B)).

The Registrar must collect the \$10 BMV fee and the \$20 contribution for every new and renewal registration application received under the bill. The additional \$10 BMV fee is to compensate the Bureau for additional services required in connection with the "Children with Medical Handicaps" license plate program. The Registrar must deposit all such fees into the state treasury to the credit of the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund. (R.C. 4503.721(C).)

The Registrar must transmit the \$20 contribution to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the Children with Medical Handicaps License Plate Fund, which the bill creates. The Department of Health is required to expend the money on its existing programs for children who have medical handicaps. (R.C. 3701.0211 and 4503.721(C).)

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