



**Sub. S.B. 39\***

127th General Assembly

(As Reported by S. Highways & Transportation)

**Sens. Schuler, Boccieri, Cafaro, Carey, Clancy, Faber, Gardner, Grendell, Kearney, D. Miller, Schaffer**

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**BILL SUMMARY**

- Creates Civil Air Patrol license plates, available to members in good standing of the Civil Air Patrol.
- Specifies that the Ohio Pet Fund (a nonprofit corporation), rather than the Pets Program Funding Board receive the contributions from the Pets license plate.

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**CONTENT AND OPERATION**

**Civil Air Patrol license plates**

Under the bill, the owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or vehicle of a class approved by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles who is a member in good standing of the Civil Air Patrol may apply to the Registrar for the issuance of Civil Air Patrol license plates. The request for Civil Air Patrol license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under current law. Upon receipt of the completed application, presentation of the required evidence that the applicant is a member in good standing of the Civil Air Patrol, and compliance with other, standard requirements under the bill, the Registrar must issue to the applicant appropriate vehicle registration and a set of Civil Air Patrol license plates and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by current law. (R.C. 4503.731(A).)

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\* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Highways & Transportation Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, Civil Air Patrol license plates must be inscribed with identifying words and a symbol or logo designed by the Civil Air Patrol and approved by the Registrar. Civil Air Patrol license plates must display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number. (R.C. 4503.731(A).)

Civil Air Patrol license plates and validation stickers are to be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed in current law, any applicable local motor vehicle tax, any applicable additional special reserved license plate fee, and a Bureau of Motor Vehicles fee of \$10, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. (R.C. 4503.731(B).)

The Registrar must deposit the \$10 fee, which is for the purpose of compensating the Bureau for additional services required in the issuing of Civil Air Patrol license plates, into the state treasury to the credit of the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund (R.C. 4503.731(A)).

**Pets license plate contributions**

Am. Sub. H.B. 406 of the 125th General Assembly created the Pets license plate and directed that contributions for issuance of the license plate be deposited in the License Plate Contribution Fund for distribution to the Pets Program Funding Board, which consists of seven members with specific qualifications who are appointed by the Ohio Pet Fund, a nonprofit corporation. Am. Sub. H.B. 406 required the Board to disburse moneys from the Pets license plates for the purpose of supporting programs for the sterilization of dogs and cats and educational programs concerning the proper veterinary care of those animals. The Board disburses money to organizations meeting eligibility requirements established by the Ohio Pet Fund.

The bill requires that the Registrar of Motor Vehicles pay the contributions from Pets license plates to the Ohio Pet Fund, rather than to the Pets Program Funding Board, and requires that the Ohio Pet Fund distribute the money in amounts determined by the Board to organizations meeting eligibility requirements established by the Ohio Pet Fund. The bill also makes minor language revisions in the Pet license plate contribution distribution provisions.

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**HISTORY**

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