

Senate Bill 95, Sponsor Statement

***“An Act relating to special request specialty organization registration plates;
and providing for an effective date.”***

Each year, the Legislature is tasked with approving a specialty plate for the various organizations and nonprofits that request plates. As of now, there are at least forty-two license plates that can be purchased at the Division of Motor Vehicles.

Since 2003, the Legislature has passed nine bills that authorized specialty license plates. In some cases, multiple pieces of specialty plate legislation were rolled into one bill. For example, in the 27th Legislature, four bills were rolled into one bill that authorized six different plates.

Senate Bill 95 was introduced to remove the Legislature from approving specialty plates. Under this legislation, responsibility would be turned over to the Division of Motor Vehicles. Streamlining the process for both the legislature and the (DMV).

The division would adopt regulations to allow for issuance of specialty plates sponsored by tax exempt organizations based within the state or Departments of the state, or a municipality within the state.

