

HOUSE BILL NO. 47

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act creating the line-of-duty death survivor education benefits fund and relating to**
2 **special fire fighter and emergency medical service provider license plates."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 14.43.085 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (c) The line-of-duty death survivor education benefits fund is created in the
6 general fund. The fund consists of appropriations to the fund, income earned by
7 investment of the money in the fund, and gifts and donations to the fund.
8 Appropriations to the fund do not lapse. The fund may be further divided to provide
9 separate accounts for benefits for peace officers, fire fighters, and members of the
10 armed services. The fund may be used to provide free tuition and fees as provided in
11 (a) of this section. Nothing in this section creates a dedicated fund.

12 *** Sec. 2.** AS 28.10.181 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 (x) Special request active fire fighter and emergency medical service provider
14 plates, former fire fighter and emergency medical service provider plates, and plates

1 commemorating fire fighters and emergency medical service providers. On application
2 by the owner of a motor vehicle, the department may issue registration plates for
3 active fire fighters and emergency medical service providers, registration plates for
4 former fire fighters and emergency medical service providers, and registration plates
5 commemorating fire fighters and emergency medical service providers. The
6 commissioner shall determine the design and color of the plates. The department may
7 disapprove the issuance of registration plates under this subsection when the requested
8 plates are a duplication of an existing registration. To be eligible for

9 (1) an active fire fighter and emergency medical service provider plate,
10 a person must present satisfactory proof that the person is an active member of

11 (A) a fire department in this state and the fire department is
12 recognized as a fire department by the state fire marshal; or

13 (B) an out-of-hospital emergency medical service certified by
14 the Department of Health and Social Services;

15 (2) a former fire fighter and emergency medical service provider plate
16 a person must present satisfactory proof that the person was an active member of

17 (A) a fire department in this state for a minimum of 10 years;

18 or

19 (B) an out-of-hospital emergency medical service certified by
20 the Department of Health and Social Services for a minimum of 10 years.

21 * **Sec. 3.** AS 28.10.421(d) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

22 (17) special request plates

23 (A) for active fire fighter and emergency medical service
24 provider\$30;

25 (B) for former fire fighter and emergency medical service
26 provider\$50;

27 (C) commemorating fire fighters and emergency medical
28 service providers\$100

29 plus a fee of \$35 and the fee required for that vehicle under (b), (c), (h), or (i) of this
30 section; the fee required by (A) - (C) of this paragraph shall be collected only on the
31 first issuance of and the replacement of the plates; the \$35 fee required by this

1 paragraph shall be collected biennially in the same manner as the fee required under
2 (b), (c), (h), or (i) of this section; the commissioner of administration shall separately
3 account for the fees received under this paragraph that the department deposits in the
4 general fund; notwithstanding (g) of this section, the annual estimated balance in the
5 account that is in excess of the cost of issuing special request plates may be
6 appropriated by the legislature for the purposes provided in AS 14.43.085.