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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill establishes a new special American Red Cross license plate, sets a required \$25 annual donation, and directs donated funds to chapters of the American Red Cross.

Section

1 [168.1295] American Red Cross plates. Creates the special license plate and provides for administration of donations.

Subd. 1. Issuance and design. Sets requirements to obtain the special plate, including payment of applicable fees and taxes, ownership of an eligible vehicle, and payment of an annual donation of at least \$25.

Subd. 2. Design. Sets requirements for plate appearance in consultation with the American Red Cross.

Subd. 3. Plates transfer. Sets requirements and fee for transfer of the plate to another vehicle.

Subd. 4. Fees. Directs the \$10 fee to the vehicle services operating account.

Subd. 5. Contributions. Deposits donated funds into an American Red Cross disaster preparedness and relief account, appropriates the first dollars from donations to the Department of Public Safety to go towards plate start-up costs, and appropriates the remaining donations funds to the department for distribution to Minnesota chapters of the American Red Cross for disaster related efforts.

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The section has an effective date, of January 1, 2014, which has the effect of providing time for the department to establish the plate.