

AN ACT

To amend sections 1531.26, 4503.71, and 4511.101 and to enact sections 4501.311, 4501.32, 4501.41, 4501.61, 4501.71, 4503.251, 4503.572, 4503.591, 4503.67, 4503.68, 4503.69, and 4503.711 of the Revised Code to provide for the issuance of motor vehicle license plates bearing the logos of professional sports teams, to provide for the issuance of motor vehicle license plates bearing the logos of the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, and the Eagle Scouts, to provide for the issuance of motor vehicle license plates for members of the Fraternal Order of Police Associates of Ohio, Inc., to create a "Bald Eagle" license plate, and to extend the business logo sign program operated by the Department of Transportation to include highways located in urban as well as rural areas.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That sections 1531.26, 4503.71, and 4511.101 be amended and sections 4501.311, 4501.32, 4501.41, 4501.61, 4501.71, 4503.251, 4503.572, 4503.591, 4503.67, 4503.68, 4503.69, and 4503.711 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 1531.26. There is hereby created in the state treasury the nongame and endangered wildlife fund, which shall consist of moneys paid into it by the tax commissioner under section 5747.113 of the Revised Code, moneys deposited in the fund from the issuance of wildlife conservation license plates under section 4503.57 of the Revised Code, moneys deposited in the fund from the issuance of bald eagle license plates under section 4503.572 Of the Revised Code, and of contributions made directly to it. Any person may contribute directly to the fund in addition to or independently of the income tax refund contribution system established in ~~that~~ section 5747.113

Of the Revised Code. Moneys in the fund shall be disbursed pursuant to vouchers approved by the director of natural resources for use by the division of wildlife solely for the purchase, management, preservation, propagation, protection, and stocking of wild animals that are not commonly taken for sport or commercial purposes, including the acquisition of title and easements to lands, biological investigations, law enforcement, production of educational materials, sociological surveys, habitat development, and personnel and equipment costs; and for carrying out section 1531.25 of the Revised Code. Moneys in the fund also may be used to promote and develop nonconsumptive wildlife recreational opportunities involving wild animals. All Moneys in the fund from the issuance of bald eagle license plates under section 4503.572 Of the Revised Code shall be expended by the division only to pay the costs of acquiring, developing, and restoring habitat for bald eagles within this state. Moneys in the fund from any other source also may be used to pay the costs of acquiring, developing, and restoring habitat for bald eagles within this state.

All investment earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. Subject to the approval of the director, the chief of the division of wildlife may enter into agreements that the chief considers appropriate to obtain additional moneys for the protection of nongame native wildlife under the "Endangered Species Act of 1973," 87 Stat. 884, 16 U.S.C.A. 1541-1543, as amended, and the "Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act of 1980," 94 Stat. 1322, 16 U.S.C.A. 2901-2911, as amended. Moneys appropriated from the fund are not intended to replace other moneys appropriated for these purposes.

Sec. 4501.311. There is hereby created in the state treasury the fraternal order of police license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the additional fees that are paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who obtain fraternal order of police license plates pursuant to division (B) of section 4503.71 Of the Revised Code.

The fees deposited in the fund shall be paid to the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall deposit the fees into its general account to be used for purposes of the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated.

All investment earnings of the fund shall be retained by the fund.

Sec. 4501.32. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the professional sports teams license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the contributions that are paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who voluntarily choose to obtain license plates bearing the logo of a professional sports team pursuant to section 4503.591 of the Revised Code.

(B) If a professional sports team located in this state desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, it shall inform the largest convention and visitors' bureau of the county in which the professional sports team is located of that desire. That convention and visitors' bureau shall create a sports commission to operate in that county to receive the contributions that are paid by applicants who choose to be issued license plates bearing the logo of that professional sports team for display on their motor vehicles. The sports commission shall negotiate with the professional sports team to permit the display of the team's logo on license plates issued by this state, enter into the contract with the team to permit such display, and pay to the team any licensing or rights fee that must be paid in connection with the issuance of the license plates. Upon execution of the contract, the sports commission shall provide a copy of it to the registrar of motor vehicles, along with any other documentation the registrar may require. Upon receipt of the contract and any required additional documentation, and when the numerical requirement contained in division (A) of section 4503.78 of the Revised Code has been met relative to that particular professional sports team, the registrar shall take the measures necessary to issue license plates bearing the logo of that team.

The registrar shall pay to the sports commission all contributions that are paid by applicants who obtain license plates that bear the logos of participating professional sports teams located in the county of the sports commission, irrespective of the county of residence of an applicant.

(C) A sports commission shall expend the money it receives under this section to attract amateur regional, national, and international sporting events to the municipal corporation, county, or township in which it is located, and it may sponsor such events. Prior to attracting or sponsoring such events, the sports commission shall perform an economic analysis to determine whether the proposed event will have a positive economic effect on the greater area in which the event will be held. A sports commission shall not expend any money it receives under this section to attract or sponsor an amateur regional, national, or international sporting event if its economic analysis does not result in a finding that the proposed event will have a positive economic effect on the greater area in which the event will be held.

A sports commission that receives money pursuant to this section, in addition to any other duties imposed on it by law and notwithstanding the scope of those duties, also shall encourage the economic development of this state through the promotion of tourism within all areas of this state. A sports commission that receives ten thousand dollars or more during any

calendar year pursuant to this section shall submit a written report to the director of development, on or before the first day of October of the next succeeding year, detailing its efforts and expenditures in the promotion of tourism during the calendar year in which it received the ten thousand dollars or more.

As used in this division, "promotion of tourism" means the encouragement through advertising, educational and informational means, and public relations, both within the state and outside of it, of travel by persons away from their homes for pleasure, personal reasons, or other purposes, except to work, to this state or to the region in which the sports commission is located.

(D) For purposes of this section:

(1) The "largest" convention and visitors' bureau of a county is the bureau that receives the largest amount of money generated in that county from excise taxes levied on lodging transactions under sections 351.021, 5739.02, and 5739.024 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Sports commission" means a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of this state that is entitled to tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 501, as amended, and whose function is to attract, promote, or sponsor sports and athletic events within a municipal corporation, county, or township.

Such a commission shall consist of twenty-one members. Seven members shall be appointed by the mayor of the largest city to be served by the commission. Seven members shall be appointed by the board of county commissioners of the county to be served by the commission. Seven members shall be appointed by the largest convention and visitor's bureau in the area to be served by the commission. A sports commission may provide all services related to attracting, promoting, or sponsoring such events, including, but not limited to, the booking of athletes and teams, scheduling, and hiring or contracting for staff, ushers, managers, and other persons whose functions are directly related to the sports and athletic events the commission attracts, promotes, or sponsors.

Sec. 4501.41. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the boy scouts license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the contributions that are paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who voluntarily choose to obtain license plates bearing the logo of the boy scouts of America pursuant to section 4503.67 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the national organization of the boy scouts of America desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative of

the Dan Beard council shall contract with the registrar to permit the display of the logo on license plates issued by this state. Upon execution of the contract, the council shall provide a copy of it to the registrar of motor vehicles, along with any other documentation the registrar may require. Upon receiving the contract and any required additional documentation, and when the numerical requirement contained in division (A) of section 4503.78 of the Revised Code has been met relative to the boy scouts of America, the registrar shall take the measures necessary to issue license plates bearing the logo of the boy scouts of America.

The registrar shall pay to the Dan Beard council all contributions that are paid by applicants who obtain license plates that bear the logo of the boy scouts of America. The council shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts.

Sec. 4501.61. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the girl scouts license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the contributions that are paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who voluntarily choose to obtain license plates bearing the logo of the girl scouts of the United States of America pursuant to section 4503.68 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the national organization of the girl scouts of the United States of America desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative from the Great River council shall contract with the registrar to permit the display of the logo on license plates issued by this state. Upon execution of the contract, the council shall provide a copy of it to the registrar of motor vehicles, along with any other documentation the registrar may require. Upon receiving the contract and any required additional documentation, and when the numerical requirement contained in division (A) of section 4503.78 of the Revised Code has been met relative to the girl scouts of the United States of America, the registrar shall take the measures necessary to issue license plates bearing the logo of the girl scouts of the United States of America.

The registrar shall pay to the Great River council all contributions that are paid by applicants who obtain license plates that bear the logo of the girl scouts of the United States of America. The council shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of the girl scouts.

Sec. 4501.71. (A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the eagle scouts license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the contributions that are paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who voluntarily choose to obtain license plates bearing the logo of the eagle scouts pursuant to section 4503.69 of the Revised Code.

(B) If the national organization of the eagle scouts desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative from the Dan Beard council shall contract with the registrar to permit the display of the logo on license plates issued by this state. Upon execution of the contract, the council shall provide a copy of it to the registrar of motor vehicles, along with any other documentation the registrar may require. Upon receiving the contract and any required additional documentation, and when the numerical requirement contained in division (A) of section 4503.78 of the Revised Code has been met relative to the eagle scouts, the registrar shall take the measures necessary to issue license plates bearing the logo of the eagle scouts.

The registrar shall pay to the Dan Beard council all contributions that are paid by applicants who obtain license plates that bear the logo of the eagle scouts. The council shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts.

Sec. 4503.251. There is hereby created in the state treasury the fraternal order of police associate license plate fund. The fund shall consist of the fifteen-dollar contribution paid to the registrar of motor vehicles by applicants who obtain fraternal order of police associate license plates pursuant to section 4503.711 Of the Revised Code. The contributions deposited in the fund shall be paid to the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall deposit the contributions into an account that it creates to be used for the purpose of advancing and protecting the law enforcement profession, promoting improved law enforcement methods, and teaching respect for law and order. The fees deposited in the fund shall be used to pay the expense the bureau of motor vehicles incurs in providing the additional services required in the issuing of fraternal order of police associate license plates. All investment earnings of the fund shall be retained by the fund.

Sec. 4503.572. (A) As used in this section, "bald eagle" means the *haliaeetus leucocephalus*, the bird that appears on the great seal of the United States.

(B) 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 to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of bald eagle license plates. The application for bald eagle license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance with division (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the

appropriate vehicle registration and a set of bald eagle license plates with a validation sticker or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, bald eagle license plates shall be inscribed with identifying words and the figure of a bald eagle, and shall be designed by the division of wildlife and approved by the registrar. Bald eagle license plates shall bear county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

(C) The bald eagle license plates and validation sticker shall be issued upon the receipt of a contribution as provided in division (D) of this section and upon payment of the regular license fees as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, a fee not to exceed ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the bureau of motor vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of the bald eagle license plates, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for bald eagle license plates is combined with a request for a reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plate and validation sticker shall be issued upon payment of the contribution, fees, and taxes contained in this division and the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code.

(D) For each application for registration and registration renewal the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution in an amount not to exceed forty dollars as determined by the division of wildlife. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for deposit into the nongame and endangered wildlife fund created in section 1531.26 of the Revised Code. Such contributions shall be expended by the division only to pay the costs of acquiring, developing, and restoring habitat for bald eagles within this state.

Sec. 4503.591. (A) If a professional sports team located in this state desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, it shall enter into a contract with the sports commission to permit such display, as permitted in section 4501.32 of the Revised Code. 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 to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of license plates bearing the logo of a professional sports team that has entered into such a contract. The application shall designate the sports team whose

logo the owner or lessee desires to appear on the license plates. Failure to designate a participating professional sports team shall result in rejection by the registrar of the registration application. An application made under this section may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of license plates bearing the logo of the professional sports team the owner designated in the application and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, professional sports team license plates shall bear the logo of a participating professional sports team, and shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

(B) The professional sports team license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, as the case may be, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of professional sports team license plates, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for a professional sports team license plate is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of professional sports team license plates, the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of twenty-five dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury for distribution as described in section 4501.32 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten dollars paid to

compensate the Bureau for the additional services required in the issuing of professional sports team license plates to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4503.67. (A) If the national organization of the boy scouts of America desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative of the Dan Beard council shall enter into a contract with the registrar of motor vehicles as provided in section 4501.41 of the Revised Code. The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of license plates bearing the logo of the boy scouts of America if the council representative has entered into such a contract. An application made under this section may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of license plates bearing the logo of the boy scouts of America and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, the plates shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

(B) The boy scouts logo license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, as the case may be, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of boy scouts license plates, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for a boy scouts license plate is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of the plates, the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of

the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of fifteen dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury for distribution as described in section 4501.41 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten dollars paid to compensate the Bureau for the additional services required in the issuing of boy scouts license plates to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4503.68. (A) If the national organization of the girl scouts of the United States of America desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative of the Great River council shall enter into a contract with the registrar of motor vehicles as provided in section 4501.61 of the Revised Code. The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of license plates bearing the logo of the girl scouts of United States of America if the council representative has entered into such a contract. An application made under this section may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of license plates bearing the logo of the girl scouts of the United States of America and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, the plates shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

(B) The girl scouts logo license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, as the case may be, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of girl scouts license plates, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for a girl

scouts license plate is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of the plates, the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of fifteen dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury for distribution as described in section 4501.61 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten dollars paid to compensate the Bureau for the additional services required in the issuing of girl scouts license plates to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4503.69. (A) If the national organization of the eagle scouts desires to have its logo appear on license plates issued by this state, a representative of the Dan Beard council shall enter into a contract with the registrar of motor vehicles as provided in section 4501.71 of the Revised Code. The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of license plates bearing the logo of the eagle scouts if the council representative has entered into such a contract on behalf of the eagle scouts. An application made under this section may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of license plates bearing the logo of the eagle scouts and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, the plates shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

(B) The eagle scouts logo license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, as the case may be, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of eagle scouts license plates, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for an eagle scouts license plate is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, a fee of ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of the plates, the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.

(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of fifteen dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury for distribution as described in section 4501.71 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten dollars paid to compensate the Bureau for the additional services required in the issuing of eagle scouts license plates to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4503.71. (A) 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 who also is a member in good standing of the fraternal order of police may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of fraternal order of police license plates. The application for fraternal order of police license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application, presentation by the applicant of the required evidence that the applicant is a member in good standing of the fraternal order of police, and compliance by the applicant with this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a

set of fraternal order of police license plates with a validation sticker or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, fraternal order of police license plates shall be inscribed with identifying words and a symbol or logo designed by the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, and approved by the registrar. Fraternal order of police license plates shall bear county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

Fraternal order of police license plates and validation stickers shall be issued upon payment of the regular license fee required by section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, payment of any local motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, payment of ~~an additional~~ a fee of ten dollars, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for fraternal order of police license plates is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plates and validation sticker shall be issued upon payment of the fees and taxes contained in this section and the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. The ~~additional~~ fee of ten dollars shall be for the purpose of compensating the bureau of motor vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of fraternal order of police license plates, and shall be transmitted by the registrar to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.

(B) For each application for registration and registration renewal the registrar receives under this section, the registrar shall collect an additional fee of two dollars. The registrar shall transmit this additional fee to the treasurer of state for deposit in the fraternal order of police license plate fund created in section 4501.311 Of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4503.711. (A) 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 WHO IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATES OF OHIO, INC., MAY APPLY TO THE REGISTRAR FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE VEHICLE AND ISSUANCE OF FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES. THE APPLICATION FOR FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES MAY BE COMBINED WITH A REQUEST FOR A

SPECIAL RESERVED LICENSE PLATE UNDER SECTION 4503.40 OR 4503.42 OF THE REVISED CODE. UPON RECEIPT OF THE COMPLETED APPLICATION, PRESENTATION BY THE APPLICANT OF THE REQUIRED EVIDENCE THAT THE APPLICANT IS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATES OF OHIO, INC., AND COMPLIANCE WITH DIVISION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE REGISTRAR SHALL ISSUE TO THE APPLICANT THE APPROPRIATE VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND A SET OF FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES WITH A VALIDATION STICKER OR A VALIDATION STICKER ALONE WHEN REQUIRED BY SECTION 4503.191 OF THE REVISED CODE.

IN ADDITION TO THE LETTERS AND NUMBERS ORDINARILY INSCRIBED THEREON, FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES SHALL BE INSCRIBED WITH IDENTIFYING WORDS OR MARKINGS DESIGNED BY THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE OF OHIO, INC., AND APPROVED BY THE REGISTRAR. FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE PLATES SHALL BEAR COUNTY IDENTIFICATION STICKERS THAT IDENTIFY THE COUNTY OF REGISTRATION BY NAME AND NUMBER.

(B) THE registrar shall issue a set of FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES with a validation sticker or a validation sticker alone UPON RECEIPT OF A CONTRIBUTION AS PROVIDED IN DIVISION (C) OF THIS SECTION AND UPON PAYMENT OF THE REGULAR LICENSE FEES PRESCRIBED UNDER SECTION 4503.04 OF THE REVISED CODE, An additional FEE of TEN DOLLARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPENSATING THE BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES REQUIRED IN THE ISSUING OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES, ANY APPLICABLE MOTOR VEHICLE TAX LEVIED UNDER CHAPTER 4504. OF THE REVISED CODE, AND COMPLIANCE WITH ALL OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES. IF THE APPLICATION FOR FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATES IS COMBINED WITH A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL RESERVED LICENSE PLATE UNDER SECTION 4503.40 OR 4503.42 OF THE REVISED CODE, THE LICENSE PLATE AND VALIDATION STICKER SHALL BE ISSUED UPON PAYMENT OF THE CONTRIBUTION, FEES, AND TAXES CONTAINED IN THIS

DIVISION AND THE ADDITIONAL FEE PRESCRIBED UNDER SECTION 4503.40 OR 4503.42 OF THE REVISED CODE.

(C) FOR EACH APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AND REGISTRATION RENEWAL the registrar receives UNDER THIS SECTION, THE REGISTRAR SHALL COLLECT A CONTRIBUTION OF FIFTEEN DOLLARS. THE REGISTRAR SHALL TRANSMIT THIS CONTRIBUTION TO THE TREASURER OF STATE FOR DEPOSIT IN THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATE LICENSE PLATE FUND CREATED IN SECTION 4501.251 OF THE REVISED CODE.

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten dollars specified in division (B) of this section to the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 Of the Revised Code.

Sec. 4511.101. (A) The director of transportation, in accordance with 23 U.S.C.A. 109(d), 131(f), and 315, as amended, shall establish a program for the placement of business logos for identification purposes on state directional signs within the rights-of-way of divided, multi-lane, limited access highways in both rural and urban areas, ~~except when any of the following conditions applies:~~

~~(1) Upon approval by the director, a business logo sign may be located in an urban area if the land contiguous to the highway is sparsely populated and appears to be rural in character;~~

~~(2) A business logo sign may be located in a rural or urban area, if the interchange providing access to the businesses indicated on the sign has been constructed and paid for primarily with private funds.~~

(B) All direct and indirect costs of the business logo sign program established pursuant to this section shall be fully paid by the businesses applying for participation in the program. At any interchange where a business logo sign is erected, such costs shall be divided equally among the participating businesses. The direct and indirect costs of the program shall include, but not be limited to, the cost of capital, directional signs, blanks, posts, logos, installation, repair, engineering, design, insurance, removal, replacement, and administration. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the director from establishing such a program.

(C) The director, in accordance with rules adopted pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, may contract with any private person to operate, maintain, and market the business logo sign program. The rules shall describe the terms of the contract, and shall allow for a reasonable profit to be earned by the successful applicant. In awarding the contract, the director shall consider the skill, expertise, prior experience, and other qualifications

of each applicant.

(D) As used in this section, "urban area" means an area having a population of fifty thousand or more according to the most recent federal census and designated as such on urban maps prepared by the department.

(E) Neither the department nor the director shall do either of the following:

(1) Limit the right of any person to erect, maintain, repair, remove, or utilize any off-premises or on-premises advertising device;

(2) Make participation in the business logo sign program conditional upon a business agreeing to limit, discontinue, withdraw, modify, alter, or change any advertising or sign.

SECTION 2. That existing sections 1531.26, 4503.71, and 4511.101 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

Speaker _____ of the House of Representatives.

President _____ of the Senate.

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

Governor.

The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

Director, Legislative Service Commission.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio, on the
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Secretary of State.

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