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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Introduced By: Representative Laurence W. Ehrhardt

Date Introduced: January 31, 2012

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 31-3 of the General Laws entitled "Registration of Vehicles" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **31-3-92. Special plate for Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI. -- (a) The**
4 **administrator of the division of motor vehicles is empowered to make available special motor**
5 **vehicle registration plates for the not-for-profit Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI.**

6 **(b) The special plate shall be displayed upon the same registration number assigned to the**
7 **vehicle for which it was issued and shall be used in place of and in the same manner as the**
8 **registration plates issued to the vehicle. The original registration plates for the vehicle shall be**
9 **removed from the vehicle and the registration certificate for the plates shall be carried in the**
10 **vehicle, in accordance with section 31-3-9. The registration certificate shall be in effect for the**
11 **special plate.**

12 **(c) Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI motor vehicle plates shall be the same size**
13 **as regular motor vehicle plates and shall be designed by the Wildlife Rehabilitators Association**
14 **of RI in conjunction with the division of motor vehicles, with the design to be approved by the**
15 **state police.**

16 **(d) Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI plates shall be subject to a minimum pre-**
17 **paid order of at least nine hundred (900) plates. Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI plates**
18 **shall not be issued unless the minimum order requirements are met.**

19 **(e) The administrator of the division of motor vehicles shall develop application forms,**

1 pre-payment procedures and any other procedures deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of
2 this section.

3 (f) In addition to the regular prescribed motor vehicle registration fee, Wildlife
4 Rehabilitators Association of RI plates shall be subject to a forty dollar (\$40.00) issuance
5 surcharge.

6 (g) The forty dollar (\$40.00) issuance surcharge shall be allocated as follows: twenty
7 dollars (\$20.00) shall be allocated to the general fund and the remaining twenty dollars (\$20.00)
8 shall be distributed annually to the Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI to assist in the
9 furtherance of its mission. The distribution to the Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI shall
10 be placed in a restricted account and shall be paid to the Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of
11 RI.

12 (h) Wildlife Rehabilitators Association of RI will be required to submit an annual
13 financial statement before such monies are distributed.

14 (i) There shall be no refunds for early cancellation of Wildlife Rehabilitators Association
15 of RI plates.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would allow the registry to issue special license plates to benefit the Wildlife
- 2 Rehabilitators Association of RI.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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