

AN ACT concerning transportation.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding Section 5.826 as follows:

(30 ILCS 105/5.826 new)

Sec. 5.826. The American Red Cross Fund.

Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding Section 3-699 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/3-699 new)

Sec. 3-699. American Red Cross license plates.

(a) The Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special registration plates designated as American Red Cross license plates. The special plates issued under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division or motor vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire according to the multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

(b) The design and color of the special plates shall be

within the discretion of the Secretary, but shall include the American Red Cross official logo. Appropriate documentation, as determined by the Secretary, shall accompany each application. The Secretary may allow the plates to be issued as vanity plates or personalized plates under Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The Secretary shall prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412 of this Code.

(c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged a \$40 fee for original issuance in addition to the appropriate registration fee. Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the American Red Cross Fund and \$15 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund, to be used by the Secretary to help defray the administrative processing costs. For each registration renewal period, a \$27 fee, in addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be charged. Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the American Red Cross Fund and \$2 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

(d) The American Red Cross Fund is created as a special fund in the State treasury. All moneys in the American Red Cross Fund shall be paid, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and distribution by the Secretary, as grants to the American Red Cross or to charitable entities designated by the American Red Cross.