**Section 1010.465 Requests for General Issuance Specialty License Plates**

a) For purposes of this Section, the following definition shall apply:

"General Issuance Specialty Plate" means registration plates that have been authorized by Illinois statute with the primary goal of raising funds for a specific organization or organizations. These plates are available to the general public and not awarded based on any specific qualifying criteria.

b) The Secretary will begin production of a new general issuance license specialty plate category only after receiving 1,500 requests for that particular plate. If 1,500 requests are not received within 2 years after the effective date of the authorizing legislation, the license plate category will no longer be considered for production.

c) All requests will be on a form designated by the Secretary and will be accompanied by the fundraising organization's portion of the additional fee associated with that plate. All fees collected under this Section are non-refundable and will be deposited in the special fund as designated in the enabling legislation, regardless of whether the plate is produced. The form can be found in Appendix D and at the Secretary of State website, specifically http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/publications/pdf\_publications/vsd702.pdf.

d) The design and color of the plates is wholly within the discretion of the Secretary, except the Illinois State Police, the Secretary of State Police and either the Illinois Sheriff's Association or the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police must approve the design.

e) Any fundraising organization seeking to change the design of the plate must meet the following requirements:

1) The organization's plate must have been produced and available to the general public for no less than 10 years; and

2) The organization must agree to reimburse the Secretary for the following costs:

A) $12 replating cost for each vehicle currently displaying the organization's license plate;

B) the contracted price paid by the Secretary for any unissued license plates; and

C) the contracted price paid by the Secretary for any unused license plate sheeting.

f) Any license plate that is redesigned under the provisions of subsection (e) must meet the requirement set forth in subsection (d) prior to issuance by the Secretary.

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