

# HB4298



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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**HB4298**

Introduced 1/28/2020, by Rep. Daniel Didech

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/3-658

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that professional sports teams for license plates shall include the Chicago Sky, the Chicago Red Stars, the Chicago Fire, or any Illinois minor league sports team. Removes the St. Louis Rams from the list of available teams.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 3-658 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-658)

7 Sec. 3-658. Professional Sports Teams license plates.

8 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in  
9 the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special  
10 registration plates designated as Professional Sports Teams  
11 license plates. The special plates issued under this Section  
12 shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first  
13 division, motorcycles, and motor vehicles of the second  
14 division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued  
15 under this Section shall expire according to the multi-year  
16 procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

17 (b) The design and color of the plates is wholly within the  
18 discretion of the Secretary, except that the plates shall,  
19 subject to the permission of the applicable team owner, display  
20 the logo of the Chicago Bears, the Chicago Bulls, the Chicago  
21 Blackhawks, the Chicago Cubs, the Chicago White Sox, ~~the St.~~  
22 ~~Louis Rams,~~ ~~or~~ the St. Louis Cardinals, the Chicago Sky, the  
23 Chicago Red Stars, the Chicago Fire, or any Illinois minor

1 league sports team, at the applicant's option. The Secretary  
2 may allow the plates to be issued as vanity or personalized  
3 plates under Section 3-405.1 of the Code. The Secretary shall  
4 prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412 of  
5 this Code.

6 (c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged a  
7 \$40 fee for original issuance in addition to the appropriate  
8 registration fee. Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the  
9 Professional Sports Teams Education Fund and \$15 shall be  
10 deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate  
11 Fund, to be used by the Secretary to help defray the  
12 administrative processing costs.

13 For each registration renewal period, a \$27 fee, in  
14 addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be charged.  
15 Of this fee, \$25 shall be deposited into the Professional  
16 Sports Teams Education Fund and \$2 shall be deposited into the  
17 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

18 (d) The Professional Sports Teams Education Fund is created  
19 as a special fund in the State treasury. The Comptroller shall  
20 order transferred and the Treasurer shall transfer all moneys  
21 in the Professional Sports Teams Education Fund to the Common  
22 School Fund every 6 months.

23 (Source: P.A. 97-409, eff. 1-1-12; 97-914, eff. 1-1-13; 98-463,  
24 eff. 8-16-13.)