

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 adding  
5 Section 3-696 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-696 new)

7 Sec. 3-696. Equestrian license plates.

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

17 (b) The design and color of the special plates shall be  
18 wholly within the discretion of the Secretary. The Secretary  
19 may allow the plates to be issued as vanity plates or  
20 personalized plates under Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The  
21 Secretary shall prescribe stickers or decals as provided under  
22 Section 3-412 of this Code.

23 (c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged a

1 \$15 fee for original issuance in addition to the appropriate  
2 registration fee. The \$15 fee shall be deposited into the  
3 Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund, to be used by  
4 the Secretary to help defray the administrative processing  
5 costs. For each registration renewal period, a \$2 fee, in  
6 addition to the appropriate registration fee, shall be charged  
7 and shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special  
8 License Plate Fund.