

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 3-634 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-634)

7 Sec. 3-634. Illinois Fire Fighters' License Plate.

8 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made in
9 the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, may issue
10 special registration plates designated to be Illinois Fire
11 Fighters' Memorial license plates. The special plates issued
12 under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles
13 of the first division, motor vehicles of the second division
14 weighing not more than 8,000 pounds, recreational vehicles as
15 defined in Section 1-169 of this Code, and subject to the
16 staggered registration system. Plates issued under this
17 Section shall expire according to the multi-year procedure
18 established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

19 (b) The design and color of the plates shall be wholly
20 within the discretion of the Secretary of State. The Secretary
21 of State may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be
22 issued as vanity plates or personalized in accordance with
23 Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to

1 designate "Land of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of
2 Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary of State shall
3 prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412.

4 (c) An applicant shall be charged a \$27 fee for original
5 issuance in addition to the applicable registration fee. Of
6 this additional fee, \$15 shall be deposited into the Secretary
7 of State Special License Plate Fund and \$12 shall be deposited
8 into the Illinois Fire Fighters' Memorial Fund. For each
9 registration renewal period, a \$17 fee, in addition to the
10 appropriate registration fee, shall be charged. Of this fee, \$2
11 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License
12 Plate Fund and \$15 shall be deposited into the Illinois Fire
13 Fighters' Memorial Fund.

14 (d) In addition to the purpose specified in Section
15 2-119(n), moneys in the Illinois Fire Fighters' Memorial Fund
16 shall, except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) and
17 subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and
18 distribution by the Secretary, be used exclusively for the
19 following purposes:

20 (1) maintaining the Illinois Fire Fighters' Memorial;

21 (2) holding an annual memorial commemoration and Medal
22 of Honor ceremony and related activities; and

23 (3) providing scholarships, for graduate study,
24 undergraduate study, or both, to children and spouses of
25 fire fighters killed in the line of duty.

26 (e) No more than 10% of the annual proceeds of the Illinois

1 Fire Fighters' Memorial Fund may, subject to appropriation by
2 the General Assembly and distribution by the Secretary, be used
3 for exhibits for and the maintenance of the Illinois Fire
4 Fighter Museum, except that the 10% limit may be exceeded to
5 pay for emergency repairs related to the structural stability
6 of the Illinois Fire Fighter Museum. Prior to exceeding the 10%
7 limit, the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall obtain the
8 approval of a majority of the members of the Illinois Fire
9 Fighters Memorial Foundation.

10 (Source: P.A. 97-409, eff. 1-1-12.)