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Amend the amendment in section 1 in §455 by striking out all of subsections 4 and 4-A (page 2, lines 14 to 34 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'4. Initial contribution to Maine Environmental Trust Fund. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the initial contribution for environmental registration plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited to the Maine Environmental Trust Fund established in Title 12, section 10255.as follows:

- A. Fourteen dollars to the Maine Environmental Trust Fund established in Title 12, section 10255;
- B. Five dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and
- <u>C.</u> <u>One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.</u>

In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the annual renewal contribution for environmental registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited to the Maine Environmental Trust Fund established in Title 12, section 10255.

4-A. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the annual renewal contribution for environmental registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Fourteen dollars to the Maine Environmental Trust Fund established in Title 12, section 10255; and

B. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 2 in §456 by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 3, lines 17 to 26 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'2. Administrative fee and contribution to University of Maine System Scholarship Fund. University of Maine System special registration plates are not required for registration of a motor vehicle. A person may contribute to the University of Maine System Scholarship Fund by applying for the special registration plates and submitting, in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee, a sum of \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Fourteen dollars to the University of Maine System Scholarship Fund established in Title 20-A, section 10909; and

B. SixFive dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs-; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 2 in §456 by striking out all of subsection 5 (page 3, lines 32 to 39 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'5. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for University of Maine System registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Fourteen dollars to the University of Maine System Scholarship Fund established in Title 20-A, section 10909; and

B. One dollar to the <u>HighwaySpecialty License Plate</u> Fund for administrative and production costsestablished under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §456-A by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 4, lines 19 to 26 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'2. Contribution to Lobster Research, Education and Development Fund. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the initial contribution for lobster plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Lobster Research, Education and Development Fund established in Title 12, section 6465; and

B. TenNine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs-; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 3 in §456-A by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 4, lines 34 to 40 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'4. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for lobster special registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Lobster Research, Education and Development Fund established in Title 12, section 6465; and

B. FiveFour dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs-; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 4 in §456-B by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 5, lines 39 to 42 and page 6, lines 1 to 4 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'2. Contribution to Maine Black Bears Scholarship Fund. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the initial contribution for Maine Black Bears plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Maine Black Bears Scholarship Fund established in Title 20-A, section 10971; and

B. TenNine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs-; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 4 in §456-B by striking out all of subsection 4 (page 6, lines 12 to 18 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'4. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for Maine Black Bears special registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Maine Black Bears Scholarship Fund established in Title 20-A, section 10971; and

B. FiveFour dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs-; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 5 in §456-C by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 7, lines 16 to 24 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'2. Initial registration fee. A person may apply for the special registration plates by paying a sum of \$20 credited to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the initial contribution for the sportsman registration plate is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261;

B. Nine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 5 in §456-C by striking out all of subsection 3 (page 7, lines 25 to 39 and page 8, lines 1 to 4 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'3. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for sportsman registration plates is \$20. Fifty percent of that sum is credited to the fish hatchery maintenance fund established in Title 12, section 10252, 15% is credited to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261, 10% is credited to the Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund established in Title 12, section 10253 and 25% is credited to the Support

Landowners Program in Title 12, section 10108, subsection 4, paragraph A., which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Fifteen dollars credited as follows:

(1) Fifty percent to the fish hatchery maintenance fund established in Title 12, section 10252;

(2) Fifteen percent to the Boat Launch Facilities Fund established in Title 12, section 10261;

(3) Ten percent to the Maine Endangered and Nongame Wildlife Fund established in Title 12, section 10253; and

(4) Twenty-five percent to the Support Landowners Program in Title 12, section 10108, subsection 4, paragraph A;

B. Four dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 6 in §456-D by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 8, lines 28 to 39 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'2. Administrative fee and contribution to special programs. A person may contribute funds for the purposes of providing financial assistance to members of the Maine National Guard and their families or residents of the State who are members of the Reserves of the Armed Forces of the United States and their families for emergencies and other special needs by applying for the We Support Our Troops plates and submitting, in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee required under section 501, a sum of \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. <u>Ten dollars to the Maine National Guard Foundation Fund Special Revenue Funds account in the</u> <u>Department of Defense</u>, Veterans and Emergency Management, referred to in this section as "the <u>fund</u>," for use in accordance with subsection 7;

B. Nine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment in section 6 in §456-D by striking out all of subsection 3 (page 9, lines 1 to 6 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'3. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee required under section 501, the annual renewal contribution for We Support Our Troops plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

- A. Ten dollars to the fund for use in accordance with subsection 7;
- B. Four dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.'

Amend the amendment by striking out all of section 7 and inserting the following:

'Sec. 7. 29-A MRSA §456-E, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 547, §2, is amended to read:

2. Contribution; credit to Breast Cancer Services Special Program Fund. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the initial contribution for the breast cancer support services special registration plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. <u>NineTen</u> dollars to the Breast Cancer Services Special Program Fund, as established in Title 22, section 1408;

B. TenNine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund, established under section 469, for administrative and production costs.

Sec. 8. 29-A MRSA §456-E, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 547, §2, is amended to read:

4. Renewal fee. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for breast cancer support services special registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. <u>NineTen</u> dollars to the Breast Cancer Services Special Program Fund, as established in Title 22, section 1408;

B. FiveFour dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund, established under section 469, for administrative and production costs.

Sec. 9. 29-A MRSA §456-F is enacted to read:

§ 456-F. Agriculture education registration plate

1. Agriculture education plates. The Secretary of State, upon receiving an application and evidence of payment of the excise tax required by Title 36, section 1482, the annual motor vehicle registration fee required by section 501, section 504, subsection 1 or section 505 and the contribution provided for in subsection 2, shall issue a registration certificate and a set of agriculture education special registration plates to be used in lieu of regular registration plates. These plates must bear identification numbers and letters.

2. Contribution; credit to Agriculture Education Plate Fund. In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law for the particular class of vehicle registered, the initial contribution for agriculture education plates is \$20, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 4-C;

B. Nine dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

3. Design; review; vanity plates. The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Association, shall determine a design for the agriculture education special registration plates. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters shall review the final design prior to manufacture of the plates. The Secretary of State shall issue upon request agriculture education plates that are also vanity plates. Agriculture education plates are issued in accordance with the provisions of this section and section 453.

4. <u>Renewal fee.</u> In addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee prescribed by law, the annual renewal contribution for agriculture education special registration plates is \$15, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of State and credited as follows:

A. Ten dollars to the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 4-C;

B. Four dollars to the Highway Fund for administrative and production costs; and

C. One dollar to the Specialty License Plate Fund established under section 469.

5. <u>**Transfer of fees.**</u> On a quarterly basis, the Secretary of State shall transfer the revenue from the issuance and renewal of the agriculture education registration plates to the Treasurer of State for deposit and crediting pursuant to subsections 2 and 4.

6. **Duplicate plates.** The Secretary of State shall issue an agriculture education plate in a <u>3-number and 3-letter combination sequence</u>. Vanity plates may not duplicate vanity plates issued in <u>another class of plate</u>.

7. Eligibility; trucks. An agriculture education registration plate may be issued for:

A. A vehicle that qualifies for a specialty license plate under section 468, subsection 8; and

B. A truck registered under section 504, subsection 1 or section 505.'

Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment maintains the one dollar deposit to the Specialty License Plate Fund as proposed in Committee Amendment "A," but reduces the amount deposited into the Highway Fund by one dollar instead of reducing the amount deposited into the fund for which the license plate has been established.