

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB215

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 05, 2019
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Linehan
One Liner: Provide for Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Cavanaugh, DeBoer, Friesen, Geist, Hilgers, Hughes
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator LouAnn Linehan
Jeff Shapiro

Representing:

Introducer
NE Prostate Cancer Alliance

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would allow the Department of Motor Vehicles to design and issue specialty license plates known as Prostate Cancer Awareness Plates. The plate shall include a light blue ribbon and the words "Early Detection Saves Lives" along the bottom of the plate.

Two types of plates would be issued by the department, one an alphanumeric plate, which would not be charged an additional fee, and a personalized message plate, with a maximum of five characters, which would cost \$40. From the message plate, \$10 would be remitted to the Highway Trust Fund and \$30 would be remitted to the DMV Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. Each design would be selected on the basis of limiting the manufacturing cost of each plate to an amount less than or equal to the amount charged for the issuance of license plates, which is currently a maximum of \$3.50 per plate.

Plates could be issued beginning January 1, 2021. The plates could be delivered by mail from the DMV or delivered by the DMV to the county treasurer in which the applicant resides, where they could be issued. Only vehicles part of a fleet would be ineligible to have such plates. Owners of farm trucks, trailers, semitrailers, and other vehicles could be issued the plates, but they would be required to have the appropriate tonnage decal, if applicable. The plates could be transferred to other vehicles for the normal charge of \$3. If the plates are lost, stolen, or mutilated, replacement plates could be reissued for the normal fee of \$2.50 per plate.

Curt Friesen, Chairperson