

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-04 and a new subdivision to
2 subsection 2 of section 39-04-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to motor vehicle
3 registration and number plates for emergency responders; and to provide an appropriation.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 39-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Emergency responder number plate.** The director, in cooperation with the adjutant
8 general, shall design a decorative decal that is to be placed on a distinctive number plate. An
9 applicant that is an emergency responder is entitled to issuance of the decals and plates. The
10 director may not issue the decal and plates to the owner of a passenger motor vehicle or truck
11 the gross weight of which equals or exceeds ten thousand pounds [4535.92 kilograms]. The
12 adjutant general shall adopt qualifications for an individual to be an emergency responder under
13 this section. On becoming disqualified, the applicant shall return the decals and plates to the
14 director, who shall reissue another number plate to which that applicant is entitled under this
15 chapter on payment of all other fees required under this chapter for registration of a motor
16 vehicle and an additional fee of not more than five dollars.

17 **SECTION 2.** A new subdivision to subsection 2 of section 39-05-18 of the North Dakota
18 Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

19 Passenger motor vehicles or a truck not exceeding ten thousand pounds
20 [4535.92 kilograms] gross weight owned and operated by an emergency
21 responder who qualifies for a number plate under section 1 of this Act.

22 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
23 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$750,000, or so much
24 of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the purpose of

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- 1 defraying the cost of the emergency responder number plate program for the biennium
- 2 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011.