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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 number plates
3 for emergency responders and exemption from motor vehicle registration; and to provide an
4 appropriation.

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

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

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

18 **SECTION 2.** A new subdivision to subsection 2 of section 39-04-18 of the North Dakota
19 Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

20 A passenger motor vehicle or a truck not exceeding ten thousand pounds
21 [4535.92 kilograms] gross weight owned and operated by an emergency
22 responder who qualifies for an emergency responder number plate.

23 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
24 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$750,000, or so much

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- 1 of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the purpose of creating
- 2 and issuing emergency responder number plates, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and
- 3 ending June 30, 2011.