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NINETY-FOURTH SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Transportation

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; establishing curl in Minnesota special license plates;
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[168.1261] CURL IN MINNESOTA PLATES.**

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Issuance of plates.** The commissioner must issue curl in Minnesota
1.7 special license plates or a single motorcycle plate to an applicant who:

1.8 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, noncommercial one-ton pickup
1.9 truck, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle;

1.10 (2) pays a fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12, subdivision
1.11 5, along with any other fees required under this chapter;

1.12 (3) pays the registration tax as required under section 168.013;

1.13 (4) contributes a minimum of \$30 annually to the Minnesota Curling Association account;

1.14 and

1.15 (5) complies with this chapter and rules governing registration of motor vehicles and
1.16 licensing of drivers.

1.17 Subd. 2. **Design.** In consultation with the Minnesota Curling Association, the
1.18 commissioner must adopt a suitable plate design that includes the inscription "Curl in
1.19 Minnesota."

2.1 Subd. 3. **Plates transfer.** On application to the commissioner and payment of a transfer
2.2 fee of \$5, special plates issued under this section may be transferred to another motor vehicle
2.3 if the subsequent vehicle is:

2.4 (1) qualified under subdivision 1, clause (1), to bear the special plates; and

2.5 (2) registered to the same individual to whom the special plates were originally issued.

2.6 Subd. 4. **Exemption.** Special plates issued under this section are not subject to section
2.7 168.1293, subdivision 2.

2.8 Subd. 5. **Contributions; account; appropriation.** Contributions collected under
2.9 subdivision 1, clause (4), must be deposited in the Minnesota Curling Association account,
2.10 which is established in the special revenue fund. Money in the account is appropriated to
2.11 the commissioner of public safety. This appropriation is first for the annual cost of
2.12 administering the account funds, and the remaining money is for distribution to the Minnesota
2.13 Curling Association for maintenance of curling facilities across Minnesota.

2.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2027.