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H. F. No. **1675**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Finance and Policy

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to motor vehicles; establishing Minnesota agriculture special license plates;
- 1.3 appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter
- 1.4 168.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. **[168.1258] MINNESOTA AGRICULTURE SPECIAL PLATES.**
- 1.7 Subdivision 1. **Issuance of plates.** The commissioner must issue Minnesota agriculture
- 1.8 special plates or a single motorcycle plate to an applicant who:
- 1.9 (1) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, noncommercial one-ton pickup
- 1.10 truck, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle;
- 1.11 (2) pays an additional fee of \$10 for each set of plates, along with any other fees required
- 1.12 by this chapter;
- 1.13 (3) pays the registration tax as required under section 168.013;
- 1.14 (4) contributes a minimum of \$20 annually to the Minnesota agriculture account; 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 commissioner of agriculture, the commissioner
- 1.18 must adopt a suitable plate design that includes a depiction of lands and activity related to
- 1.19 agriculture.

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 agriculture account, which is
2.10 established in the special revenue fund. Money in the account is appropriated to the
2.11 commissioner of public safety. This appropriation is first for the annual cost of administering
2.12 the account funds, and the remaining funds are for distribution to (1) the Minnesota FFA
2.13 Foundation to support the mission of the foundation, and (2) the University of Minnesota
2.14 Extension Service to support Minnesota 4-H programming and activities. The commissioner
2.15 must annually consult with the Minnesota FFA Foundation and the University of Minnesota
2.16 Extension Service for recommendations regarding how to allocate funds.

2.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2022, for Minnesota agriculture
2.18 special plates issued on or after that date.