168.29 REPLACEMENT PLATES.

- (a) In the event of the defacement, loss, or destruction of any number plates or validation stickers, the commissioner, upon receiving and filing a sworn statement of the vehicle owner, setting forth the circumstances of the defacement, loss, destruction, or theft of the number plates or validation stickers, together with any defaced plates or stickers and the payment of a fee calculated to cover the cost of replacement, must issue a new set of plates or stickers.
- (b) A licensed motor vehicle dealer may only apply for replacement plates upon application for a certificate of title in the name of a new owner or the dealer. The commissioner must issue a new set of plates or validation stickers upon application for title and registration after removal of plates pursuant to section 168A.11, subdivision 2.
 - (c) Plates issued under this section are subject to section 168.12
- (d) The commissioner must note on the commissioner's records the issue of new number plates and must attempt to cancel and call in the original plates so as to insure against their use on another motor vehicle.
- (e) Duplicate registration certificates plainly marked as duplicates may be issued in like cases upon the payment of a \$1 fee. Fees collected under this section must be deposited in the driver and vehicle services operating account under section 299A.705, subdivision 1.

History: (2688) 1921 c 461 s 17; 1923 c 418 s 17; 1943 c 56 s 1; 1973 c 218 s 8; 1977 c 327 s 1; 1984 c 549 s 21; 1985 c 291 s 15; 1986 c 444; 1990 c 497 s 8; 1992 c 581 s 11; 2009 c 36 art 3 s 9; 2023 c 68 art 4 s 128; 2024 c 127 art 3 s 33