

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

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Bill No.: HB 1339  
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Bill Summary: This proposal establishes a specialty license plate for the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
General Revenue	(\$14,888)	(\$984)	(\$984)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>(\$14,888)</b>	<b>(\$984)</b>	<b>(\$984)</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Highway Fund	\$1,875	\$2,250	\$2,250
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds</b>	<b>\$1,875</b>	<b>\$2,250</b>	<b>\$2,250</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 7 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$625</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$750</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

**ASSUMPTION**

**§301.3063 - United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Specialty License Plate**

According to a report provided by the Department of Revenue, **Oversight** notes there are currently 200 different types of specialty license plate designs available in Missouri. From these 200 specialty license plates, there were 57,460 registrations as of September 16, 2019:

0 Registrations	Less than 100 Registrations	Less than 1,000 Registrations	More than 1,000 Registrations
47	84	54	15

For most designs, there is a \$15 initial fee to apply for each specialty license plate and a \$15 annual renewal fee. However, the following designs do not have the \$15 fee; Congressional Medal of Honor (§301.145, RSMo), Disabled Veteran (§301.071, RSMo), Former Prisoner of War (§301.443, RSMo), Purple Heart (§301.451, RSMo), Retired Military Air Force (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Army (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Coast Guard (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Marine (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Marine Corps League (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Merchant Marine (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military National Guard (§301.441, RSMo), Retired Military Navy (§301.441, RSMo), and We Shall Not Forget (§301.3142, RSMo).

Officials at the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume the following regarding this proposal:  
Administrative Impact

To implement the proposed legislation, the Department will be required to:

- Update procedures and the Department website;
- Update the Application for Missouri Military Personalized License Plate (DOR-4601);
- Communicate with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary for development of the license plate;  
and
- Complete programming and user acceptance testing for identified systems.

FY 2020 - Motor Vehicle Bureau

Management Analysis Spec I                      240 hrs. @ \$18.42 per hr.       = \$4,421

FY 2020 - Strategy and Communications Office

Administrative Analyst III                      10 hrs. @ \$19.80 per hr.       = \$ 198

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Administrative Impact (continued)

FY 2020 - General Services Bureau

Administrative Office Support Assistant      5 hrs. @ \$13.78 per hr.      = \$    69

**Total Costs**      = **\$4,688**

**Oversight** assumes DOR is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DOR could absorb the administrative personnel costs related to this proposal.

Set-up cost:

The Department is charged **\$215** for the initial set-up, design, and programming for a new specialty plate for passenger, truck, RV, disabled and motorcycle plates. This is a one-time fee that will be charged upon passage of this bill in FY 2021

Plate manufacturing cost:

The Department pays \$3.75 per plate for manufacturing flat plates through Missouri Vocational Enterprises (MVE).

It is unknown how many applicants would apply for these license plates. The Department is assuming 200 applicants per year at a cost to the Department of **\$625** (10 months) in FY 2021 and **\$750** in FY 2022 and FY 2023.

Mailings:

It currently cost the Department, on average, \$5.55 to ship a box of 10 sets of plates to contract offices once they have completed the manufacturing process through MVE.

The mailing cost will be **\$93** (10 months) in FY 2021 and **\$111** in FY 2022 and FY 2023.

Note: \$5.55 is an average cost, as the cost may decrease or increase based on the weight of the package, the area to which it is being sent, and how many boxes are being sent at one time.

The Department would incur an additional postage cost for mailing notifications to those applicants notifying them their plates are ready for pickup at the respective license office.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Administrative Impact (continued)

Assuming 200 applications per year at a cost of **\$103** (10 months) in FY 2021 and **\$123** in FY 2022 and FY 2023 for letters (\$0.025), envelopes (\$0.040), and postage (\$0.55).

OA-ITSD services will be required at a cost of **\$13,852** in FY 2021 (145.81 x \$95 per hour).

In summary DOR assumes a cost of **\$14,888** in FY 2021 (\$215 + \$625 + \$93 + \$103 + \$13,852) and **\$984** in FY 2022 and FY 2023 (\$750 + \$111 + \$123).

**Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary in regards to DOR's assumptions; therefore, Oversight will reflect DOR's Expense & Equipment costs on the fiscal note.

Revenue Impact

DOR notes this legislation will result in an increase in the \$15 specialty plate reservation fees collected. It is unknown how many applicants will elect to obtain a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary specialty plate, but the increase should be minimal. \$15 specialty plate reservation fees are split 75-15-10 to Highways, Cities, and Counties.

**Oversight** assumes, based on DOR's assumptions for costs associated with the specialty plates, 200 applicants may choose to receive this specialty plate, resulting in \$3,000 per year in revenue.

	FY 2021 (10 Mos.)	FY 2022	FY 2023
Highway Fund	\$1,875	\$2,250	\$2,250
Cities	\$375	\$450	\$450
Counties	\$250	\$300	\$300

Source: Oversight

Officials from the **Department of Transportation (MoDOT)** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

**Oversight** notes that MoDOT has stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for MoDOT.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2021 (10 Mo.)	FY 2022	FY 2023
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Cost</u> - set-up cost p. 4	(\$215)	\$0	\$0
<u>Cost</u> - plate manufacturing cost p. 4	(\$625)	(\$750)	(\$750)
<u>Cost</u> - mailing p. 4	(\$93)	(\$111)	(\$111)
<u>Cost</u> - postage p. 5	(\$103)	(\$123)	(\$123)
<u>Cost</u> - OA-ITSD p. 5	<u>(\$13,852)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>(\$14,888)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$984)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$984)</u></b>
<b>HIGHWAY FUND</b>			
<u>Revenue</u> - specialty plate fees p. 5	<u>\$1,875</u>	<u>\$2,250</u>	<u>\$2,250</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b><u>\$1,875</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,250</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,250</u></b>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2021 (10 Mo.)	FY 2022	FY 2023
<b>LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>			
<u>Revenue</u> - Cities (15%) - specialty plate fees p. 5	\$375	\$450	\$450
<u>Revenue</u> - Counties (10%) - specialty plate fees p. 5	<u>\$250</u>	<u>\$300</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>	<b><u>\$625</u></b>	<b><u>\$750</u></b>	<b><u>\$750</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill allows a member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to claim a specialty license plate. The bill requires the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to issue an emblem-use authorization statement to the vehicle owner upon annual application and payment of a \$15 emblem-use contribution. The authorization statement must be presented to the Department of Revenue and all other license plate and specialty plate fees are required.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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