

# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

## 2017 REGULAR SESSION

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2514**

**FISCAL  
NOTE**

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[Introduced February 16, 2017; Referred  
to the Committee on Roads and Transportation then  
Finance.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,  
 2 designated §17A-6F-1, §17A-6F-2 and §17A-6F-3, all relating to creating a special motor  
 3 vehicle collector license plate; defining collector motor vehicle and motor vehicle collector;  
 4 allowing the holder of a motor vehicle collector license plate to transfer the special plate  
 5 temporarily among collector motor vehicles owned by the collector; and establishing  
 6 requirements and fees for a motor vehicle collector license plate application.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new  
 2 article, designated §17A-6F-1, §17A-6F-2 and §17A-6F-3, all to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 6F. MOTOR VEHICLE COLLECTOR LICENSE PLATE.**

**§17A-6F-1. Definitions.**

1 For the purposes of this article:

2 (1) “Collector motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle that is a restricted and limited use  
 3 motor vehicle which is a unique commodity having a current monetary value in excess of similar  
 4 make and model vehicles with routine manufacture and distribution patterns, and further, that is  
 5 not driven in excess of the maximum mileage permitted by the terms of a valid limited use motor  
 6 vehicle insurance policy issued for, and covering such vehicle, proof of which shall be supplied to  
 7 the division at the time of application for designation as a collector vehicle, which mileage shall in  
 8 no event exceed three thousand miles per year. This term does not include vehicles being used  
 9 for regular transportation and does not include motor vehicles with elevated chassis height which  
 10 are subject to inspection.

11 (2) “Motor vehicle collector” or “collector” means any resident who holds a special motor  
 12 vehicle collector license plate.

**§17A-6F-2. Special motor vehicle collector license plate; qualifications; fees.**

1 (a) To qualify for and receive a special motor vehicle collector license plate, an individual  
 2 must meet the following requirements:

- 3           (1) Be a permanent resident of the State of West Virginia;
- 4           (2) Submit an application in a form specified by the commissioner;
- 5           (3) Own a Class A collector vehicle that is more than twenty-five years old;
- 6           (4) Present proof of ownership of the vehicle or a bill of sale; and
- 7           (5) Present proof that the vehicle is covered by motor vehicle insurance.
- 8           (b) An individual is not required to own a vehicle described in subdivision (3), subsection
- 9 (a) of this section to maintain or renew a special motor vehicle collector license plate.

**§17A-6F-3. Use of special collector plates; operation of vehicles under special collector plates.**

- 1           (a) A collector may operate a collector motor vehicle upon the streets and highways if:
- 2           (1) The vehicle displays a special motor vehicle collector license plate, issued pursuant to
- 3 this article; and
- 4           (2) The collector has owned the motor vehicle for thirty days or less, according to the
- 5 collector's proof of ownership.
- 6           (b) A collector may transfer a special motor vehicle collector license plate among multiple
- 7 collector motor vehicles under his or her ownership: *Provided*, That the collector operates each
- 8 vehicle in compliance with the requirements of this article.
- 9           (c) Every special motor vehicle collector license plate issued pursuant to this article will be
- 10 valid for a period of one year from the date of issue. A collector may hold multiple special motor
- 11 vehicle collector license plates at the same time.
- 12           (d) The fee for an individual to receive one special collector motor vehicle plate is \$60,
- 13 and the annual fee to renew the special plate is \$60. The fee for a collector to receive an additional
- 14 special collector motor vehicle plate is \$30, and the annual fee to renew additional plates is \$30
- 15 per plate.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create a special motor vehicle collector license plate; to define collector motor vehicle and motor vehicle collector; to allow the holder of a motor vehicle collector license plate to transfer a special plate temporarily among collector motor vehicles owned by the collector; and to establish requirements and fees for a motor vehicle collector license plate application.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.