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House Bill 4082

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §15-2-10b, relating to State Police Registration plates; ensuring all vehicles
bear an appropriate registration plate; require superintendent issue two registration plates
for each vehicle in the fleet; creating temporary registration plates to be sent to each
detachment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE.

§15-2-10b. State Police registration plate requirements.

- 1 (a) The superintendent shall ensure all vehicles under its control bear a registration plate
- 2 with a unique identifying combination of letters and/or numbers. The superintendent shall not
- 3 <u>allow the use of a registration plate that says "Trooper" as a substitute for a rear registration plate.</u>
- 4 (b) The superintendent shall issue two identical registration plates for each vehicle in the
- 5 State Police fleet. In the event that registration plates must be redistributed amongst those
- 6 employees who drive a state police vehicle, the superintendent must ensure the vehicle continues
- 7 to bear an appropriate registration plate until that process can be completed.
- 8 (c) The commissioner shall also issue one temporary registration plate for each
- 9 detachment in the event that a registration plate is removed from a vehicle. These temporary
- 10 registration plates may be used if a plate has been stolen or damaged.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require State Police vehicles bear a registration at all times; to issue two identical plates for each vehicle; and to require temporary registration plates be furnished to each detachment.

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