

## CHAPTER 30

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**MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION**

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**HOUSE BILL 96-1154**

BY REPRESENTATIVES Snyder, June, Armstrong, Chavez, Chlouber, Friednash, Saliman, and Schwarz;  
also SENATORS L. Powers, Ament, Bishop, Hernandez, Hopper, Martinez, Meiklejohn, Perlmutter, R. Powers, Tanner, Thiebaut,  
Weddig, and Wells.

**AN ACT****CONCERNING ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES FOR COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS  
TO RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 42-3-117 (1), (3), and (6), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1993 Repl. Vol., as amended, are amended to read:

**42-3-117. Special plates - active and retired members of the Colorado national guard.** (1) The department is directed to issue one set of special license plates for either a passenger car or a truck ~~which~~ THAT does not exceed six thousand five hundred pounds empty weight owned by any active OR RETIRED member of the Colorado national guard, as defined in section 28-3-101 (5), C.R.S., in accordance with the provisions of this section for the year 1988 and for each year thereafter.

(3) Any natural person who is an active OR RETIRED member of the Colorado national guard shall be authorized to use the special license plates provided for by this section.

(6) All applications for special license plates provided for in this section shall be made directly to the department upon expiration of any current vehicle registration and shall include such information as the department may require. At the time of making such application, the applicant shall submit to the department a proof of eligibility form prepared by the department of military affairs VERIFYING ACTIVE OR RETIRED STATUS. If the owner of a vehicle registered pursuant to the provisions of

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

this section ceases to be an active member of the Colorado national guard AND HAS NOT QUALIFIED FOR RETIREMENT FROM THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD, such person shall return the special license plates to the department upon expiration of the registration. UPON RETIRING FROM THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD, ANY PERSON WISHING TO RETAIN THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES ISSUED TO THE PERSON PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT A VERIFICATION OF RETIRED STATUS THAT IS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY FOR RETENTION OF THE PLATES. A RETIRED MEMBER OF THE COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD IS REQUIRED TO VERIFY RETIRED STATUS ONCE UNDER THIS SECTION AND, UPON PROVIDING SUCH VERIFICATION, IS NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VERIFICATION WHEN RENEWING PLATES ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1996, and shall apply to license plate applications received on or after said date.

**SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: March 25, 1996