

CHAPTER 103

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 08-1209

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Vaad, Buescher, Kerr J., King, and Stafford;
also SENATOR(S) Cadman.

AN ACT

CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS THAT ASSIST A PEACE OFFICER IN DETERMINING WHETHER A LICENSE PLATE ACTUALLY EVIDENCES THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE TO WHICH THE PLATE IS ATTACHED HAS BEEN REGISTERED.

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

SECTION 1. 42-3-201, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

42-3-201. Number plates furnished - style - periodic reissuance - tabs - rules.

(6) (a) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROMULGATE RULES THAT REQUIRE THE DESTRUCTION, RECYCLING, OR OTHER PERMANENT DISPOSAL OF LICENSE PLATES THAT ARE NO LONGER USED TO EVIDENCE REGISTRATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND ARE VOLUNTARILY GIVEN TO THE DEPARTMENT, AN AUTHORIZED AGENT, OR A PERSON WHO RECEIVES LICENSE PLATES IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS.

(b) THE DEPARTMENT, AN AUTHORIZED AGENT, OR A PERSON WHO RECEIVES LICENSE PLATES IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS SHALL DESTROY, RECYCLE, OR DISPOSE OF A LICENSE PLATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (6).

SECTION 2. 42-3-202 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-3-202. Number plates to be attached. (1) (a) Number plates assigned to a self-propelled vehicle other than a motorcycle or street rod vehicle shall be attached thereto, one in the front and the other in the rear. The number plate assigned to a motorcycle, street rod vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, other vehicle drawn by a motor vehicle, or mobile machinery or self-propelled construction equipment shall be attached to the rear thereof. Number plates shall be so displayed during the current

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registration year, except as otherwise provided in this article.

(b) IF THE DEPARTMENT ISSUES A VALIDATING TAB OR STICKER TO A MOTOR VEHICLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 42-3-201, THE CURRENT MONTH VALIDATING TAB OR STICKER SHALL BE DISPLAYED IN THE BOTTOM LEFT CORNER OF THE REAR LICENSE PLATE. THE CURRENT YEAR VALIDATING TAB OR STICKER SHALL BE DISPLAYED IN THE BOTTOM RIGHT CORNER OF THE REAR LICENSE PLATE. THE TABS OR STICKERS SHALL BE VISIBLE AT ALL TIMES.

SECTION 3. Effective date - applicability. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, and shall apply to offenses committed on or after said date.

SECTION 4. 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: April 7, 2008