

1 SENATE BILL 236

2 **57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025**

3 INTRODUCED BY

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF LOOK
12 TWICE FOR MOTORCYCLES SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES FOR
13 MOTORCYCLES; AMENDING SECTION 66-3-424.40 NMSA 1978 (BEING LAWS
14 2023, CHAPTER 73, SECTION 1); MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 66-3-424.40 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2023,
18 Chapter 73, Section 1) is amended to read:

19 "66-3-424.40. SPECIAL LOOK TWICE FOR MOTORCYCLES
20 REGISTRATION PLATE.--

21 A. The division shall issue:

22 (1) a standardized look twice for motorcycles
23 special registration plate for motor vehicles with a logo
24 designed pursuant to Section 66-3-424 NMSA 1978 indicating that
25 the recipient supports driver safety awareness for those who

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1 share the road and remind drivers to look twice for
2 motorcycles; and

3 (2) a standardized look twice for motorcycles
4 motorcycle special registration plate for motorcycles.

5 B. For an initial fee of:

6 (1) forty-five dollars (\$45.00) that shall be
7 in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fees, the
8 owner of a motor vehicle may apply for issuance of a look twice
9 for motorcycles [~~safety awareness~~] special registration plate.
10 The vehicle owner shall pay a renewal fee of fifteen dollars
11 (\$15.00) each year to retain and renew the look twice for
12 motorcycles special registration plate; and

13 (2) forty dollars (\$40.00) that shall be in
14 addition to the regular motorcycle registration fees, the owner
15 of a motorcycle may apply for issuance of a look twice for
16 motorcycles special registration plate for motorcycles. The
17 motorcycle owner shall pay a renewal fee of ten dollars
18 (\$10.00) each year to retain and renew the look twice for
19 motorcycles special registration plate for motorcycles.

20 C. The revenue from the additional fee for a look
21 twice for motorcycles [~~safety awareness~~] special registration
22 plate for motor vehicles shall be distributed as follows:

23 (1) twelve dollars (\$12.00) of the initial fee
24 collected shall be retained by and is appropriated to the
25 [~~department~~] division to defray the cost of making and issuing

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1 the special registration plate with the look twice for
2 motorcycles logo; and

3 (2) thirty-three dollars (\$33.00) of the
4 initial registration fee and the entire fifteen dollars
5 (\$15.00) of subsequent renewal fees shall be distributed and
6 are appropriated to the motorcycle training fund for the
7 department of transportation to provide driver awareness
8 education and motorcycle training statewide.

9 D. The revenue from the additional fee for a look
10 twice for motorcycles special registration plate for
11 motorcycles shall be distributed as follows:

12 (1) seven dollars (\$7.00) of the initial fee
13 collected shall be retained by and is appropriated to the
14 division to defray the cost of making and issuing the special
15 registration plate with the look twice for motorcycles logo;
16 and

17 (2) thirty-three dollars (\$33.00) of the
18 initial registration fee and the entire ten dollars (\$10.00) of
19 subsequent renewal fees shall be distributed and are
20 appropriated to the motorcycle training fund for the department
21 of transportation to provide driver awareness education and
22 motorcycle training statewide.

23 [~~D.~~] E. Beginning on July 1, 2026, and on July 1 of
24 each subsequent year, the [~~department~~] division shall compare
25 the number of new look twice for motorcycles [~~safety awareness~~]

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1 special registration plates [~~issued or registration renewals~~
2 ~~for those plates~~] and registration renewals for those plates
3 that were issued in the previous fiscal year with the average
4 of the number of those plates issued in fiscal years 2024 and
5 2025 separately for motor vehicles and for motorcycles.

6 [E.] F. By September 1 of a fiscal year in which
7 the [~~department~~] division determines that the number of new
8 look twice for motorcycles [~~safety awareness~~] special
9 registration plates [~~issued or registration renewals for those~~
10 ~~plates~~] and registration renewals for those plates that were
11 issued in the previous fiscal year is less than fifty percent
12 of the average number of those plates issued in fiscal years
13 2024 and 2025:

14 (1) for motor vehicles, the [~~department~~]
15 division shall stop issuing look twice for motorcycles motor
16 vehicle special registration plates; or

17 (2) for motorcycles, the division shall stop
18 issuing look twice for motorcycles special registration plates
19 for motorcycles."

20 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
21 provisions of this act is July 1, 2025.