

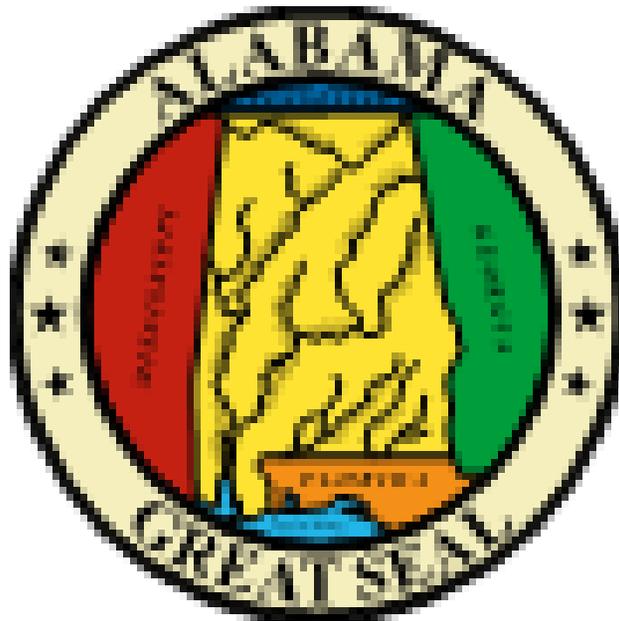


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Motor Vehicle Division

Alabama Licensing Officials Conference January 13, 2016



Motor Vehicle Legislative & Regulatory Review



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Act 2015-362:HB17-Rep. Shedd

- Amends Section 32-6-64, 32-6-64.1, 32-6-250, 32-6-251, 32-6-271, 32-6-280, 32-6-300, 32-6-301, 32-6-630, 32-8-30, 32-8-34, 32-8-35, 32-8-39, 40-12-244 and 40-12-414
- Adds other sections to be numbered
- AKA – Sen. Dial’s “mega” bill

2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-64:

- Removes references to applications for distinctive motorcycle plates
- The LOC will no longer consider applications for distinctive motorcycle plates
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-64.1

- Additional fee of five dollars (\$5) added to ANY distinctive license plate
- Prenumbered or personalized
- Only collected in the year a license plate is issued
- Fee distributed to ADOR
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-250

- Creates two military distinctive plates:

(1) Legion of Valor

(2) Bronze Star

- Effective January 1, 2016





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Legion of Valor distinctive plate

- Must present proof of membership in the Legion of Valor
- Must present proof of one of the following awards
 - (1) Medal of Honor
 - (2) Army Distinguished Service Cross
 - (3) Navy Cross
 - (4) Air Force Cross
- Purple Heart is not a qualifying award



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Legion of Valor distinctive plate (continued)

- First plate is a permanent plate and is registration fee and ad valorem tax exempt
- Additional plates may be purchased upon payment of registration fees and ad valorem tax



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Bronze Star License Plate

- Must provide proof of receiving the Bronze Star
- The first plate is a permanent distinctive plate
- Regular registration fee, ad valorem tax, and an annual additional fee of \$25 must be paid for all Bronze Star license plates.
- Net proceeds distributed to the Alabama Veterans Assistance Fund



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-271

- Adds annual additional fee of \$.25 to Firefighter distinctive license plate
- Distributed to the Alabama Joint Fire Council
- Used to expand and maintain the Alabama Firefighter Memorial
- Effective January 1, 2016





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-280



- Creates a professional firefighter distinctive license plate
- Amends definition of “Retired Firefighter” to include residents who retired from professional fire departments in other states
- Link from MVD webpage will contain list of professional firefighters
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-280 (continued)

- Annual additional fee of twenty-five cents (\$.25) collected for both the professional firefighter and retired professional firefighter distinctive license plates
- Distributed to the Alabama Joint Fire Council
- Used to expand and maintain the Alabama Firefighter Memorial
- Effective January 1, 2016

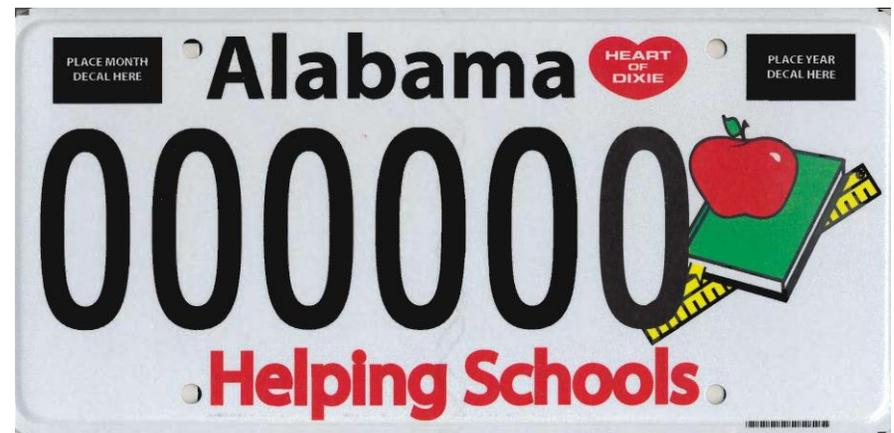




2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-300

- Increases annual additional fee for the Helping Schools plates from \$15 to \$20
- No change to distribution of additional fee
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-630

- Amends Alabama Gold Star Family law
- No fees or ad valorem tax for the first plate; includes additional fee
- Additional plates obtained with payment of registration fee, ad valorem tax and additional fee of \$3 for initial issuance





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-6-630 (continued)

- One of the following documents is required to obtain plates
 - (1) DD Form 2064- Overseas Death Certificate
 - (2) DD Form 1300- Report of Casualty
 - (3) Notarized affidavit from the Alabama Department of Veterans' Affairs
- Effective January 1, 2016



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2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 40-12-244

- Added the Alabama Gold Star Family plate to exemptions code section
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-8-30

- Requires motor vehicle owner to apply for title to record owner's legal name when the name changes
- Application for a new title required before registration can be renewed
- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-8-34

- Standardizes bond amount for all designated agents
- Increase bond amount from \$10,000 to \$25,000

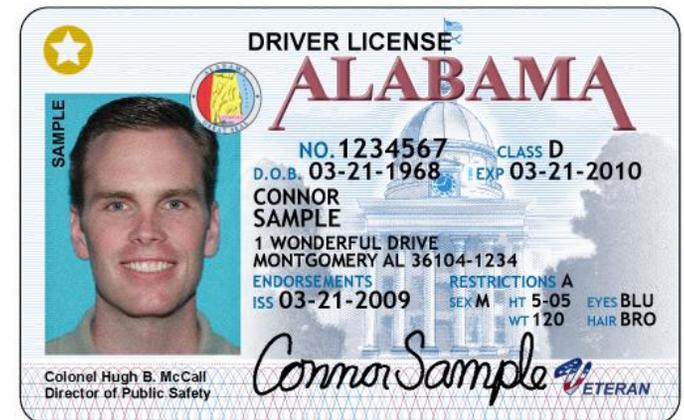
Amendment(s) to Section 32-8-35

- Requires the first title to reflect
 - (1) owner's current legal name
 - (2) owner's current mailing address

2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 32-8-39

- Requires that **each** title issued by ADOR reflect the owner's current legal name
- Effective January 1, 2016
- Memo 2015-023 and 2015-024





Administrative Rule

810-5-75-.40 Requirements for Names and Signatures on Title Applications, Title Assignments and Motor Vehicle Registrations

- Note that the owner's name must be in agreement on all title documents and any variance(s) in the owner's name between title documents will require that the owner provide an affidavit attesting to the variance(s). **The affidavit must be notarized, unless witnessed by a designated agent.**
- **If the current legal name of the owner or operator has changed, and the certificate of title is issued by another state and is being held by a lienholder, and the vehicle is not required to be titled in this state as provided by 32-8-31, the owner or operator must provide evidence of the current legal name, which shall be shown on the vehicle registration.**
- Effective date - TBA



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Amendment(s) to Section 40-12-414

- Requires that the surety bond amount for automotive dismantlers and parts recyclers be the same amount as designated agent bonds (currently \$25,000)
- Effective October 1, 2015



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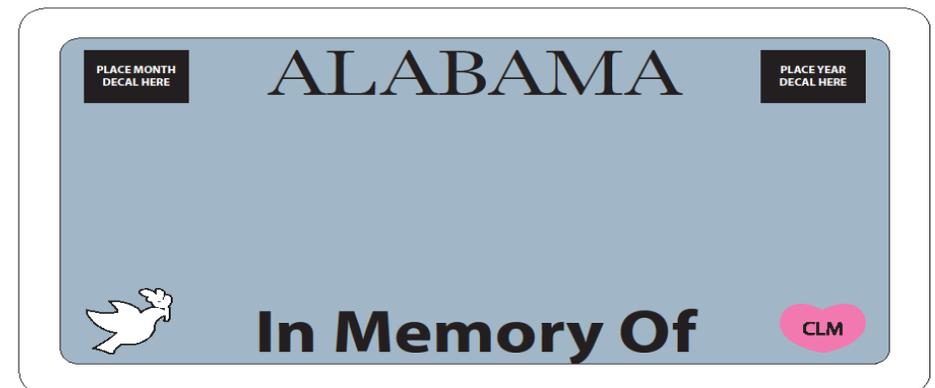


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2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-155.2

- New “In Memory” distinctive license plates
- Annual additional fee of \$50
- Additional fee distributed to State General Fund
- All plates will be personalized
- Effective January 1, 2016





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2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-155.3

- New “Alabama Bicentennial” distinctive license plate
- Effective January 1, 2016
- Ends December 31, 2020
- No additional fee





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-59.1

- Creates motorcycle plates for all distinctive license plate categories
- Any exemptions in the license plate category apply to the motorcycle plates in the same category
- Same plate design for motorcycle and passenger plates in each category
- Provisions shall not apply to the Amateur Radio plate category



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-150.1

- All distinctive plates may be personalized with noted exceptions:
 - (1) Firefighter, professional firefighter, or retired professional firefighter plates
 - (2) Rescue squad plates
 - (3) Veteran plates, unless otherwise authorized by law
 - (4) Military plates, unless otherwise authorized by law
 - (5) Special access or disability access plates
 - (6) Twenty day temporary tags



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2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-150.1 (continued)

- (7) Alabama State Defense Force plates
- (8) Amateur Radio plates
- (9) Alabama apportioned (IRP) plates

- Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-150.1

- Provides for an annual additional fee of \$50
- Applies to any personalized or distinctive plate with noted exceptions:
 - (1) Helping Schools plates
 - (2) Retired Educators plates
 - (3) Firefighter, professional firefighter, or retired professional firefighter plates
 - (4) Rescue squad plates
 - (5) Veteran plates, unless otherwise authorized by law
 - (6) Military plates, unless otherwise authorized by law





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Creates Code Section: 32-6-150.1 (continued)

- (7) Special access or disability access plates
 - (8) Twenty day temporary tags
 - (9) Alabama State Defense Force plates
 - (10) Amateur Radio plates
 - (11) Alabama apportioned (IRP) plates
 - (12) God Bless America plates
 - (13) Bicentennial plates
 - (14) Gold Star Family plates
- Distribution of net proceeds consistent with various plate categories
 - Effective January 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Act 2015-499:HB217-Rep. Boothe

- Amends Sections 40-12-240 and 40-12-248
- Provides definition for the term “Farmer”
- **Changes F4 plate restriction for truck tractors for farmers from one to four plates**
- Effective immediately following passage; June 12, 2015





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Act 2015-470: HB458-Rep. Johnson

- Standardizes definitions for unclaimed and abandoned motor vehicles
- Ensures that owners/lienholders receive notice prior to sale to include out of state owners/lienholders
- Records search includes NMVTIS





2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Act 2015-470: HB458-Rep. Johnson (continued)

- Sellers must retain records for three years from date of sale
- Less paperwork will be submitted to licensing officials
- System generated documents (i.e. bill of sale)
- Effective July 1, 2016



2015 Regular Session Legislative Acts

Act 2015-349: HB630-Rep. Weaver

- Provides that Regional Care Organizations (RCOs) are exempt from all state, county, and municipal license fees, business privilege or license tax
- Exemptions apply only to RCOs, not individual health providers
- MVD has a link to the Alabama Medicaid webs which provides a list of RCOs.
- Effective June 5, 2015

Regional Care Organization Districts
Effective October 1, 2013





2015 First Special Session Acts

Act 2015-506: SB23-Senators Dial and Whatley

- Amends Code Sections 31-2-12, 32-6-110, 32-7A-6, and 40-12-244
- Amends registration fee exemption for members of the Alabama National Guard and State National Guard
- Exemption applies to **any** license plate for which the guard member qualifies





2015 First Special Session Acts

Act 2015-506 (continued)

- Clarifies that a liability insurance policy must be an Alabama policy
- Must be written by an insurer licensed to write policies in Alabama
- Permits evidence of insurance to be presented in electronic format



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2015 First Special Session Acts

Act 2015-506 (continued)

- Provides that no other content can be accessed on the electronic device when viewing it for evidence of insurance
- Holds law enforcement and governmental employees harmless for any damages to the electronic device
- Allows the Department to establish rules regarding sending notices in an electronic format (32-7A-26)
- Effective August 11, 2015

Administrative Rule

Rule 810-5-8-.10 Mandatory Liability Insurance Questionnaire and Notice of Suspension

- Allows the Department to send insurance questionnaires and notices of suspension via electronic mail
- Electronic notices can only be sent if an email address is available
- Effective date – February 10, 2016
- Please provide email addresses with daily registration uploads



Administrative Rule

Amending 810-5-8-.05 Evidence of Insurance Requirements



- Adds language that evidence of insurance can be provided in either a tangible or in an electronic format
- Effective – February 10, 2016



2015 Second Special Session Acts

Act 2015-553: HB37-Hammon

- Creates Code Section 32-6A-1
- Creates definition for autocycles as a motor vehicle designed:
 - to travel with 3 wheels on the ground
 - equipped with a steering wheel
 - equipped with seating that does not require the operator to straddle or sit astride the seat
 - manufactured and certified to comply with federal safety requirements for motorcycles



2015 Second Special Session Acts

Act 2015-553 (continued)

- Autocycles will be titled, registered, and taxed in the same manner as motorcycles
- Vehicle body style =Autocycle
- Register with motorcycle plate



Examples of Autocycles



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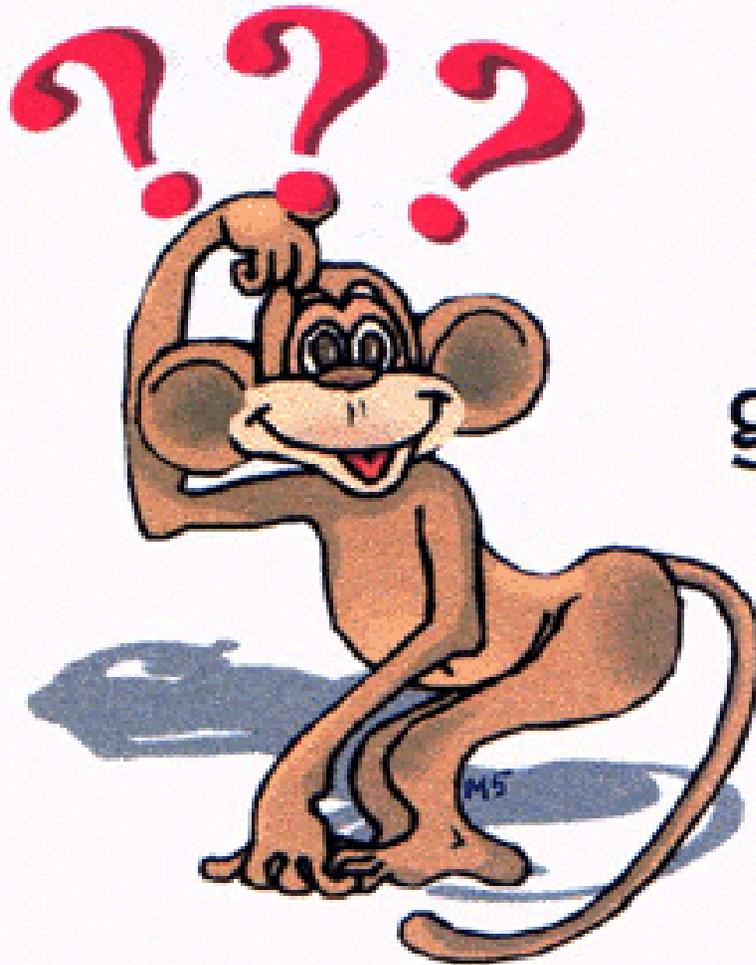
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