

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**2016 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

**Senate Bill 644**

BY SENATOR BLAIR

[Introduced February 20, 2016;

Referred to the Committee on Government Organization]



1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,  
2 designated §17A-10-17, relating to county registration plates; allowing counties to  
3 customize county registration plates; providing fees; and requiring Commissioner of the  
4 Division of Motor Vehicles to propose rules for legislative approval regarding proper forms  
5 to be used in counties that offer customized license plates.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new  
2 section, designated §17A-10-17, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 10. FEES FOR REGISTRATION, LICENSING, ETC.**

**§17A-10-17. Personalized county registration plates; fees; rules and forms.**

1 (a) Any county in the State of West Virginia may customize and offer county registration  
2 plates for Class A motor vehicles.

3 (b) Any owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of a county offering a personalized  
4 registration plate may apply for such plate. Each application shall be accompanied by proof of  
5 compliance with the motor vehicle laws of the state relative to registration and licensing of motor  
6 vehicles; payment of the registration, license, and other fees required by law; and payment of a  
7 special initial application fee in the amount of \$10, which is in addition to all other fees required  
8 by law. This special fee shall be collected by the division and deposited into a special revolving  
9 fund to be distributed back to the county that customized the registration plate and in which the  
10 registration plate was purchased.

11 (c) The commissioner shall propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with the  
12 provisions of article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code regarding proper forms to be used  
13 in making application for the special license plates authorized by this section.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize counties to offer license plates customized to that particular county and the application procedures thereof.

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