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**FISCAL NOTE**

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House Bill 4082

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §15-2-10b, relating to State Police Registration plates; ensuring all vehicles bear an appropriate registration plate; require superintendent issue two registration plates for each vehicle in the fleet; creating temporary registration plates to be sent to each detachment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. West Virginia state police.

§15-2-10b. State Police registration plate requirements.

(a) The superintendent shall ensure all vehicles under its control bear a registration plate with a unique identifying combination of letters and/or numbers. The superintendent shall not allow the use of a registration plate that says “Trooper” as a substitute for a rear registration plate.

(b) The superintendent shall issue two identical registration plates for each vehicle in the State Police fleet. In the event that registration plates must be redistributed amongst those employees who drive a state police vehicle, the superintendent must ensure the vehicle continues to bear an appropriate registration plate until that process can be completed.

(c) The commissioner shall also issue one temporary registration plate for each detachment in the event that a registration plate is removed from a vehicle. These temporary registration plates may be used if a plate has been stolen or damaged.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require State Police vehicles bear a registration at all times; to issue two identical plates for each vehicle; and to require temporary registration plates be furnished to each detachment.

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