

AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 28, 2016

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1429**

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**Introduced by Senator Nielsen**

February 19, 2016

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An act to amend Section ~~1659~~ 5004.1 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1429, as amended, Nielsen. Vehicles.

*Existing law authorizes an owner of a vehicle that is a 1969 or older model-year or the owner of a commercial vehicle or pickup truck that is a 1972 or older model year to, if specified requirements are met, utilize license plates of this state with the date of the year corresponding to the model-year date when the vehicle was manufactured, if the model-year date license plate is legible and serviceable.*

*This bill would expand the authorization for those plates to include the owner of a 1980 or older model-year vehicle.*

~~Existing law establishes the Department of Motor Vehicles, tasked with issuance and renewal of licenses to drivers. Existing law authorizes the department to establish a program of motor vehicle driver education and training, with the cooperation of schools, courts, and other interested persons.~~

~~This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 5004.1 of the Vehicle Code is amended  
2 to read:

3     5004.1. (a) (1) An owner of a vehicle that is a ~~1969~~ 1980 or  
4 older model-year vehicle ~~or the owner of a commercial vehicle or~~  
5 ~~a pickup truck that is a 1972 or older model-year~~ may, after the  
6 requirements for the registration of the vehicle are complied with  
7 and with the approval of the department, utilize license plates of  
8 this state with the date of year corresponding to the model-year  
9 date when the vehicle was manufactured, if the model-year date  
10 license plate is legible and serviceable, as determined by the  
11 department, in lieu of the license plates otherwise required by this  
12 code.

13     (2) The department may consult with an organization of old car  
14 hobbyists in determining whether the date of year of the license  
15 plate corresponds to the model-year date when the vehicle was  
16 manufactured.

17     (b) A fee of forty-five dollars (\$45) shall be charged for the  
18 application for the use of the special plates.

19     (c) In addition to the regular renewal fee for the vehicle for  
20 which the plates are authorized, the applicant for a renewal of the  
21 plates shall be charged an additional fee of ten dollars (\$10). If  
22 payment of a regular vehicle renewal fee is not required by this  
23 code, the holder of license plates with a date corresponding to the  
24 model-year may retain the plates upon payment of an annual fee  
25 of twenty dollars (\$20) that shall be due at the expiration of the  
26 registration year of the vehicle to which the plates were last  
27 assigned under this section.

28     (d) If a person who is authorized to utilize the special license  
29 plates applies to the department for transfer of the plates to another  
30 vehicle, a transfer fee of twelve dollars (\$12) shall be charged in  
31 addition to all other appropriate fees.

32     SECTION 1. ~~Section 1659 of the Vehicle Code is amended to~~  
33 read:

34     ~~1659. The department may develop criteria, establish standards~~  
35 ~~for, and coordinate a program of motor vehicle driver education~~  
36 ~~and motor vehicle driver training for drivers whose licenses have~~  
37 ~~been suspended or revoked. The purpose of the program shall be~~  
38 ~~to promote safe driving. To carry out this purpose the department~~

- 1 ~~may seek the advice or cooperation of the schools, courts, and~~
- 2 ~~other interested persons.~~

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