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A BILL FOR

1 An Act creating a bicycle traffic safety fund and a special
 2 "share-the-road" motor vehicle registration plate and making
 3 an appropriation.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 307.38 BICYCLE TRAFFIC SAFETY
2 FUND.

3 A bicycle traffic safety fund is created in the state
4 treasury under the control of the department. The fund shall
5 consist of moneys allocated to the fund by the treasurer of
6 state from the sale of special "share-the-road" motor vehicle
7 registration plates pursuant to section 321.34, moneys
8 appropriated by the general assembly, and any other moneys
9 received from public or private sources. Moneys in the fund
10 are appropriated to the department to be used for initiatives
11 and signage aimed at educating bicyclists and motorists about
12 bicycle safety issues, including but not limited to sharing
13 the use of the roadway.

14 Sec. 2. Section 321.34, Code 2005, is amended by adding
15 the following new subsection:

16 NEW SUBSECTION. 24. SHARE-THE-ROAD PLATES.

17 a. Upon application and payment of the proper fees, the
18 director may issue "share-the-road" plates to the owner of a
19 motor vehicle referred to in subsection 12.

20 b. The emblem for share-the-road plates shall be designed
21 by the department and shall include an image of a bicycle.

22 c. The special fee for letter number designated share-
23 the-road plates is forty-five dollars. The fee for
24 personalized share-the-road plates is twenty-five dollars
25 which shall be paid in addition to the special share-the-road
26 fee of forty-five dollars. The fees collected by the director
27 under this subsection shall be paid monthly to the treasurer
28 of state and credited to the road use tax fund.

29 Notwithstanding section 423.43, and prior to the crediting of
30 revenues to the road use tax fund under section 423.43,
31 subsection 1, paragraph "b", the treasurer of state shall
32 credit monthly from those revenues to the bicycle traffic
33 safety fund created in section 307.38 the amount of the
34 special share-the-road fees collected in the previous month
35 for the share-the-road plates.

1 d. Upon receipt of the special registration plates, the
2 applicant shall surrender the current registration plates to
3 the county treasurer. The county treasurer shall validate the
4 special registration plates in the same manner as regular
5 registration plates are validated under this section. The
6 annual special share-the-road fee for letter number designated
7 plates is twenty-five dollars, which shall be paid in addition
8 to the regular annual registration fee. The annual fee for
9 personalized share-the-road plates is five dollars, which
10 shall be paid in addition to the annual special share-the-road
11 fee and the regular annual registration fee. The annual
12 special share-the-road fee shall be credited as provided under
13 paragraph "c".

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill establishes a special "share-the-road" motor
16 vehicle registration plate, which is to be designed by the
17 state department of transportation and feature an emblem with
18 an image of a bicycle. The special share-the-road fee for
19 initial issuance of the plate is \$45 for letter number
20 designated plates. A fee of \$25 is required for a
21 personalized plate in addition to the special fee. The
22 special share-the-road annual renewal fee is \$25 in addition
23 to the regular annual registration fee. A \$5 fee applies for
24 renewal of personalized plates in addition to the special fee
25 and the regular annual renewal fee.

26 The bill creates a bicycle traffic safety fund in the state
27 treasury to be administered by the state department of
28 transportation. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the
29 department to fund bicycle safety initiatives for both
30 bicyclists and motorists and to provide signage. The special
31 fees from issuance and renewal of share-the-road registration
32 plates are credited to the fund.

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