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SYNOPSIS:

Existing law authorizes the issuance of distinctive motor vehicle license plates.

This bill would authorize the issuance of a distinctive motor vehicle license plate to individuals who live with invisible disabilities and to the primary caregivers of those individuals.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to motor vehicle registration and distinctive license plates; to authorize the issuance of a distinctive motor vehicle license plate to individuals who have certain medical conditions and to the primary caregivers of those individuals; and to provide for the distribution of proceeds from the license plate fee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For purposes of this section, the term "invisible disability" means a physical or mental condition that may interfere with an individual's ability to communicate with a first responder, including:

(1) A communication impediment;



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- (2) Hearing loss;
- (3) Blindness or a visual impairment;
- (4) Autism spectrum disorder;
- (5) Traumatic brain injury;
- (6) Schizophrenia;
- (7) Alzheimer's disease or dementia;
- (8) Post traumatic stress disorder;
- (9) Epilepsy;
- (10) A developmental disability;
- (11) Down syndrome;
- (12) Diabetes;
- (13) A heart condition; or
- (14) A cognitive disability.

(b) Notwithstanding Sections 32-6-64, 32-6-65, 32-6-67, and 32-6-68, Code of Alabama 1975, an owner of a motor vehicle who is a resident of Alabama and who has been diagnosed with an invisible disability or an individual who is the primary caretaker of an individual who has been diagnosed with an invisible disability shall be issued a distinctive "Invisible Disability" license plate upon:

- (1) Application to the judge of probate, license commissioner, or other issuing official;
- (2) Compliance with motor vehicle registration and licensing laws;
- (3) Payment of regular fees required by law for license plates for private passenger or pleasure motor vehicles; and
- (4) Payment of an additional annual fee of forty dollars (\$40).



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(c) To receive an "Invisible Disability" license plate, the individual shall provide proof of the diagnosis from a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state.

(d) The "Invisible Disability" license plates shall be valid for five years and may then be replaced with either conventional, personalized, or new "Invisible Disability" license plates.

(e) Payment of required license fees and taxes for the years during which a new plate is not issued shall be evidenced as provided in Section 32-6-63, Code of Alabama 1975.

(f) Kulturecity, Incorporated shall be responsible for the design of the distinctive license plate subject to approval by the Commissioner of Revenue and compliance with all laws and rules.

(g) Proceeds from the additional revenues generated by the forty dollars (\$40) minus the production and administrative costs for the "Invisible Disability" license plates shall be submitted monthly by the Department of Revenue or other appropriate official to Kulturecity, Incorporated. The proceeds shall be used to assist in accomplishing its goal of creating sensory accessibility and inclusion for individuals with invisible disabilities within the state.

(h) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules to implement this section.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2026.