April 1, 2003, Introduced by Senators JACOBS, HARDIMAN, SCHAUER, BERNERO and JOHNSON and referred to the Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

(MCL 257.1 to 257.923) by adding sections 217g and 217r.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 217q. (1) The secretary of state shall develop and
- 2 issue a "support zoos" fund-raising plate. The secretary of
- 3 state shall design the plate, having the words "support zoos"
- 4 inscribed on the plate. The word "Michigan" shall appear on the
- 5 plate.
  - (2) The owner of a vehicle required to be registered under
- 7 this act may apply, on a form prescribed by the secretary of
- 8 state, for a support zoos registration plate instead of a
- 9 standard registration plate.
- 10 (3) Upon application and payment of the regular registration
- 11 tax and a \$5.00 service fee and a donation of \$25.00, the

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- 1 secretary of state shall issue a support zoos registration plate
- 2 for the vehicle.
- 3 (4) The secretary of state shall deposit the \$25.00 donation
- 4 into the support zoos fund established under section 217r.
- 5 Sec. 217r. (1) The support zoos fund is created within the
- 6 state treasury.
- 7 (2) The state treasurer may receive money or other assets
- 8 from any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer
- 9 shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer
- 10 shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund
- 11 investments.
- 12 (3) Money in the fund at the close of the fiscal year shall
- 13 remain in the fund and shall not lapse to the general fund.
- 14 (4) The secretary of state shall disburse 1/4 of the money in
- 15 the fund on a quarterly basis to each of the following:
- (a) Detroit zoological park, Royal Oak, Michigan.
- 17 (b) Binder park zoo, Battle Creek, Michigan.
- 18 (c) John Ball zoological garden, Grand Rapids, Michigan.
- 19 (d) Potter park zoo, Lansing, Michigan.
- 20 (5) As used in this section, "fund" means the support zoos
- 21 fund created in subsection (1).
- 22 (6) An agency receiving money under this section shall
- 23 provide an annual accounting of the use of the money to the state
- 24 treasurer.

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