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Brown Introduces Legislation Penalizing States for Issuance and Display of Confederate Plates

Senator Sherrod Brown (D-OH) has introduced [legislation](#) (S. 1689) that would reduce a state's federal highway funds if the state issues a license plate with the image of a confederate flag or allows a vehicle to be registered with a license plate that contains an image of a confederate flag. Specifically, the funding available for a state under the National Highway Performance Program and the Surface Transportation Program would be reduced by 5 percent in each year that a state issues a license plate with an image of the flag of the Confederate States of America, including the Battle Flag of the Confederate States of America. Additionally, beginning in the second year of the legislation, 5 percent of federal highway funds would be withheld every year a state allows a confederate flag license plate to be displayed on a motor vehicle registered in that state. This legislation has just been introduced and AAMVA will continue to keep its membership apprised of its progress.

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