Ohio Revised Code
Section 4503.52 Lake Erie license plates.
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(A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and issuance of Lake Erie license plates. The application for Lake Erie license plates may be combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance with division (B) of this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set of Lake Erie license plates with a validation sticker or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code.

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed thereon, Lake Erie license plates shall be inscribed with identifying words or markings designed by the Ohio Lake Erie commission and approved by the registrar. Lake Erie license plates shall bear county identification stickers that identify the county of registration as required under section 4503.19 of the Revised Code.

(B) The Lake Erie license plates and validation sticker shall be issued upon receipt of a contribution as provided in division (C) of this section and upon payment of the regular license fees as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, a fee not to exceed ten dollars for the purpose of compensating the bureau of motor vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of the Lake Erie license plates, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, and compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles. If the application for Lake Erie license plates is combined with a request for a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the license plate and validation sticker shall be issued upon payment of the contribution, fees, and taxes contained in this division and the additional fee prescribed under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code.

(C) For each application for registration and registration renewal received under this section, the registrar shall collect a contribution in an amount not to exceed forty dollars as determined by the Ohio Lake Erie commission. The registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for
deposit in the Lake Erie protection fund created in section 1506.23 of the Revised Code.

The registrar shall deposit the additional fee not to exceed ten dollars specified in division (B) of this section that the applicant for registration voluntarily pays for the purpose of compensating the bureau for the additional services required in the issuing of the Lake Erie license plates in the public safety - highway purposes fund created in section 4501.06 of the Revised Code.