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Blackout License Plate sales cross 30,000

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA – October XX, 2025— The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) announced today that sales of the state’s new popular Blackout license plate have surpassed 40,000, generating more than \$1.3 million in revenue to reinvest in better BMV services for Hoosiers.

This new plate, featuring a sleek black background with white text, has quickly become one of Indiana’s most popular plates. In the first month of sales, Indiana drivers purchased nearly 22,000 plates, outpacing first month sales in similar states.

“This is an excellent example of our state agencies finding creative, entrepreneurial ways to provide value to Hoosiers while generating revenue to better serve them,” said Governor Mike Braun. “I applaud the BMV’s efforts and look forward to seeing how the funds from these sales are used to make the BMV a better, more convenient one stop shop for Hoosiers.”



In support of Governor Braun’s [Executive Order 25-41](#), a portion of the revenue generated from Blackout plate sales will be used to modernize the BMV’s digital tools, expand self-service options and



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streamline transactions across the agency. These upgrades are part of a broader strategy to enhance customer service for Hoosier drivers.

“This new Blackout plate is a win, win for Hoosiers,” said BMV Commissioner Kevin Garvey. “Hoosiers have a stylish new plate that they are very excited about and, as an added bonus, the revenue generated from their purchase is going right back into improving future BMV experiences, not only for themselves, but for all Hoosiers. We pride ourselves on the service we deliver, and we will continue to look for new opportunities to provide Hoosiers with a fast, easy and reliable experience when they transact business with us.”

Of the \$45 fee associated with the plate, \$34 from each sale goes directly to the BMV and their efforts to serve Hoosiers. Standard registration fees still apply.

Hoosiers can purchase a Blackout plate:

- Online during a new registration or renewal transaction via myBMV.com
- At a BMV Connect kiosk during a new registration or renewal
- In person with a representative at any BMV branch

Hoosiers can also swap an existing plate for a Blackout plate before its expiration by going into their local BMV branch and paying a \$9.50 replacement fee.

For a complete list of branch locations and hours, to complete an online transaction, or to find a 24-hour BMV Connect kiosk near you, visit IN.gov/BMV.

About the Bureau of Motor Vehicles

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) serves all Hoosiers by providing best-in-class driver and vehicle services in a timely and accurate manner while ensuring security and transparency. We are committed to continuous improvement and excellence in all aspects of our operations. We strive to ensure that every driver is equipped with the resources and information they need to navigate the roads confidently and safely. The BMV wants to empower customers to interact with us when and how they choose, through streamlined services that maximize convenience and uphold our duty to use Hoosier taxpayer resources wisely.

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