GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 766 SENATE BILL 216

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT FUNDS FROM SPECIAL PERSONALIZED REGISTRATION PLATES BE USED TO PROMOTE TRAVEL ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE DISABLED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-81.3(c) is rewritten to read:

- "(c) The revenue derived from the additional fee for the special personalized registration plates shall be placed in a separate fund designated the 'Personalized Registration Plate Fund'. After deducting the cost of the plates, plus budgetary requirements for handling and issuance to be determined by the Commissioner, any remaining moneys derived from the additional fee for such plates shall be transferred quarterly:
 - (1) Thirty-three percent (33%) to the account of the Department of Commerce to aid in financing out-of- state advertising under the program for the promotion of travel and industrial development in this State.
 - (2) Fifty percent (50%) to the Department of Transportation to be used solely for the purpose of beautification of highways other than those designated as interstate. These funds shall be administered by the Department of Transportation for beautification purposes not inconsistent with good landscaping and engineering principles.
 - (3) Eight and one-half percent (8.5%) to the account of the Department of Human Resources to promote travel accessibility for disabled persons in this State. These funds shall be used to collect and update site information on travel attractions designated by the Department of Commerce in their
 - publications; to provide technical assistance to travel attractions concerning accommodation of disabled tourists; to develop a 'print-ready' access guide; and to promote this publication Access, North Carolina among agencies,

associations, and groups having special interests in disabled persons.

(4) Eight and one-half percent (8.5%) to the account of the Department of Commerce to promote travel accessibility for disabled persons in this State. These funds shall be used to print the access guide developed by the Department of Human Resources. The Department of Commerce shall distribute Access, North Carolina through their normal

distribution channels; promote Access, North Carolina in Department of Commerce publications (including providing a toll-free telephone and address for requesting copies of publication); and provide technical assistance to the Department of Human Resources on travel attractions to be included in, and the format to be used by Access, North Carolina.

(5) The amount of moneys transferred pursuant to subsections (3) and (4) of this section shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) annually."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 15th day of July, 1985.