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Short Title: Special License Plates.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REDISTRIBUTE THE FUNDS DERIVED FROM THE FIRST IN FORESTRY SPECIAL PLATE, TO AUTHORIZE DMV TO ISSUE A RETIRED HIGHWAY PATROL SPECIAL PLATE TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSES OF RETIRED HIGHWAY PATROLMEN AND TO AUTHORIZE DMV TO ISSUE THE FOLLOWING NEW SPECIAL PLATES: DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, EL PUEBLO, HOMES4NC, NC 4-H DEVELOPMENT FUND, SPORT FISHING, COMMERCIAL FISHING, AND A HIGH SCHOOL INSIGNIA PLATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration plates:

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(10a) Commercial Fishing. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate may bear a phrase and picture appropriate to the subject of commercial fishing in North Carolina. The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate.

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(11e) Daughters of the American Revolution. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle. The plate may bear a phrase and picture appropriate to the organization. The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate.

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(14a) El Pueblo. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-18.12. The plate shall bear the El Pueblo logo

1 and the words 'El Pueblo'. The Division may not issue the plate
2 authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300
3 applications for the plate.

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5 (16f) High School Insignia Plate. – Issuable to the registered owner of a
6 motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate may bear a
7 phrase or an insignia representing a public high school in North
8 Carolina.

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10 (18a) HOMES4NC Plate. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor
11 vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear
12 'HOMES4NC', the logo of the North Carolina Association of Realtors
13 Housing Opportunity Foundation, and shall be developed in
14 conjunction with that organization. The Division may not issue the
15 plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300
16 applications for the plate.

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18 (28e) North Carolina 4-H Development Fund. – Issuable to the registered
19 owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate
20 may bear a phrase or insignia representing The North Carolina 4-H
21 Development Fund.

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23 (36a) Retired Highway Patrol. —~~Issuable~~ The plate authorized by this
24 subdivision to an individual who has retired from the North Carolina
25 Highway Patrol. The plate shall bear the phrase "SHP, Retired." The
26 Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless
27 it receives at least 300 applications for the plate. The plate is issuable
28 to one of the following:

29 a. An individual who has retired from the North Carolina
30 Highway Patrol.

31 b. The surviving spouse of a person who had a retired highway
32 patrol plate at the time of death so long as the surviving spouse
33 continues to renew the plate and does not remarry.

34 ...

35 (41a) Sport Fishing. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in
36 accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate may bear a phrase and
37 picture appropriate to the subject of sport fishing in North Carolina.
38 The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision
39 unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate."

40 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

41 "(a) Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of charge one
42 registration plate to a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, a 100% disabled
43 veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war. All other special registration plates, including
44 additional Congressional Medal of Honor, 100% Disabled Veteran, and Ex-Prisoner of

1 War plates, are subject to the regular motor vehicle registration fee in G.S. 20-87 or
2 G.S. 20-88 plus an additional fee in the following amount:

	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
3		
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5		
6	Crystal Coast	\$30.00
7	<u>El Pueblo</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
8	Historical Attraction	\$30.00
9	<u>HOMES4NC</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
10	<u>North Carolina 4-H Development Fund</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
11	Personalized	\$30.00
12	State Attraction	\$30.00
13	Buffalo Soldiers	\$25.00
14	Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
15	Goodness Grows	\$25.00
16	<u>High School Insignia</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
17	Kids First	\$25.00
18	Olympic Games	\$25.00
19	NC Agribusiness	\$25.00
20	NC Coastal Federation	\$25.00
21	Nurses	\$25.00
22	(Effective until June 30, 2006)	
23	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$25.00
24	Special Olympics	\$25.00
25	Surveyor Plate	\$25.00
26	The V Foundation for Cancer Research Division	\$25.00
27	University Health Systems of Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
28	Animal Lovers	\$20.00
29	Audubon North Carolina	\$20.00
30	Be Active NC	\$20.00
31	<u>Daughters of the American Revolution</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
32	Ducks Unlimited	\$20.00
33	(Effective until June 30, 2006)	
34	Harley Owners' Group	\$20.00
35	First in Forestry	\$20.00
36	Litter Prevention	\$20.00
37	March of Dimes	\$20.00
38	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$20.00
39	Save the Sea Turtles	\$20.00
40	Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
41	School Technology	\$20.00
42	Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
43	Special Forces Association	\$20.00
44	Support Public Schools	\$20.00

1	Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
2	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$20.00
3	Active Member of the National Guard	None
4	100% Disabled Veteran	None
5	Ex-Prisoner of War	None
6	Legion of Valor	None
7	Purple Heart Recipient	None
8	Silver Star Recipient	None
9	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

10 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-79.7(b) reads as rewritten:

11 "(b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the
 12 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway
 13 Fund. The Division must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration
 14 plates listed in subsection (a) among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the
 15 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), the Natural Heritage Trust
 16 Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, and the Parks and Recreation
 17 Trust Fund, which is established under G.S. 113-44.15, as follows:

18	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>
19					
20	Animal Lovers	\$10	\$10	0	0
21	Audubon North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0	0
22	Be Active NC	\$10	\$10	0	0
23	Buffalo Soldiers	\$10	\$15	0	0
24	Crystal Coast	\$10	\$20	0	0
25	<u>Daughters of the American</u>				
26	<u>Revolution</u>	\$10	\$10	0	0
27	Ducks Unlimited	\$10	\$10	0	0
28	<u>El Pueblo</u>	\$10	\$20	0	0
29	First in Forestry	\$10	0 \$10	\$100	0
30	Goodness Grows	\$10	\$15	0	0
31	(Effective until June 30, 2006)				
32	Harley Owners' Group	\$10	\$10	0	0
33	<u>High School Insignia</u>	\$10	\$15	0	0
34	Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0	0
35	<u>HOMES4NC</u>	\$10	\$20	0	0
36	In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0	0
37	Kids First	\$10	\$15	0	0
38	Litter Prevention	\$10	\$10	0	0
39	March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0	0
40	NC Agribusiness	\$10	\$15	0	0
41	NC Coastal Federation	\$10	\$15	0	0
42	<u>NC 4-H Development Fund</u>	\$10	\$20	0	0
43	Nurses	\$10	\$15	0	0
44	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0	0

1	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$10	\$10	0	0
2	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	10	0	\$15	0
3	Personalized	\$10	0	\$15	\$5
4	(Effective until June 30, 2006)				
5	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$10	\$15	0	0
6	Save the Sea Turtles	\$10	\$10	0	0
7	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0	0
8	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0	0
9	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0	0
10	Special Forces Association	\$10	\$10	0	0
11	Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0	0
12	State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0	0
13	Support Public Schools	\$10	\$10	0	0
14	Surveyor Plate	\$10	\$15	0	0
15	The V Foundation for				
16	Cancer Research	\$10	\$15	0	0
17	University Health Systems of				
18	Eastern Carolina	\$10	\$15	0	0
19	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0	0
20	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$10	\$10	0	0
21	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0	0."

22 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding two new subsections to
 23 read:

24 "(b31) North Carolina 4-H Development Fund. – The Division must receive 300 or
 25 more applications for a North Carolina 4-H Development Fund plate before the plate
 26 may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and
 27 Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of North Carolina 4-H
 28 Development Fund plates to The North Carolina 4-H Development Fund, to be used to
 29 support county and State 4-H programs and to provide funding for repairs and
 30 renovations at North Carolina 4-H camps and conference centers.

31 (b32) High School Insignia Plate. – The Division must receive 300 or more
 32 applications for a high school insignia plate for a public high school in North Carolina
 33 before a high school insignia plate may be issued for that school. The Division must
 34 transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account
 35 derived from the sale of high school insignia plates to the Department of Public
 36 Instruction to be deposited into the State Aid to Local School Administrative Units
 37 account. The Division must also send the Department of Public Instruction information
 38 as to the number of plates sold representing a particular high school. The Department of
 39 Public Instruction must annually transfer the money in the State Aid to Local School
 40 Administrative Units account that is derived from the sale of the high school insignia
 41 plates to the high schools which have a high school insignia plate in proportion to the
 42 number of high school insignia plates sold representing that school. The high school
 43 must use the money for academic enhancement.

1 **(b33) HOMES4NC.** – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for the
2 HOMES4NC plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer
3 quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived
4 from the sale of the HOMES4NC plates to the NCAR Housing Opportunity Foundation
5 to promote safe, decent, and affordable housing for all in North Carolina.

6 **(b34) First in Forestry.** – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for
7 the First in Forestry plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer
8 quarterly one-half of the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account
9 derived from the sale of the First in Forestry plates to the Division of Forest Resources
10 for a State forests and forestry education program and shall transfer quarterly one-half
11 of the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the
12 sale of the First in Forestry plates to the Forest Education and Conservation Foundation
13 for their programs.

14 **(b35) El Pueblo.** – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for the El
15 Pueblo plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly
16 the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Plate Account derived from the sale of the El
17 Pueblo plates to El Pueblo, Inc., for its Scholarship Fund which provides scholarships
18 for Latino students entering any community college, college, or university in North
19 Carolina.

20 **(b36) Daughters of the American Revolution.** – The Division must receive 300 or
21 more applications for a Daughters of the American Revolution plate before the plate
22 may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and
23 Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of Daughters of the American
24 Revolution plates to the North Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution License
25 Plate Trust Fund located in Wilmington, North Carolina, to be used to carry out the
26 objectives of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution including the
27 protection of historical spots and the erection of monuments, the encouragement and
28 support of historical research and educational endeavors, the preservation of historical
29 documents and relics, and the promotion of all patriotic celebrations."

30 **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.