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HOUSE BILL 1246
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/23/99

Short Title: Animal Lovers Special Plate.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE
2 SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES TO ANIMAL LOVERS TO PROMOTE
3 SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF DOGS AND CATS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision in the
7 correct alphabetical order to read:

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

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11 (3a) Animal Lovers. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in
12 accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate may bear a picture of a dog
13 and cat and the phrase ‘I Care.’"

14 Section 2. G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

15 "(a) Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of charge one
16 registration plate to a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, a 100% disabled
17 veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war. All other special registration plates are subject to the
18 regular motor vehicle registration fee in G.S. 20-87 or G.S. 20-88 plus an additional fee
19 in the following amount:

	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
1		
2	Historical Attraction	\$30.00
3	State Attraction	\$30.00
4	Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
5	Olympic Games	\$25.00
6	Special Olympics	\$25.00
7	<u>Animal Lovers</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
8	March of Dimes	\$20.00
9	Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
10	School Technology	\$20.00
11	Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
12	Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
13	Personalized	\$20.00
14	Active Member of the National Guard	None
15	Purple Heart Recipient	None
16	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

17 Section 3. G.S. 20-79.7(b) reads as rewritten:

18 "(b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the
 19 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway
 20 Fund. The Division must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration
 21 plates listed in subsection (a) among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the
 22 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), and the Natural Heritage
 23 Trust Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, as follows:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>	
24				
25				
26				
27	<u>Animal Lovers</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>
28	Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
29	In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0
30	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15
31	Personalized	\$10	0	\$10
32	Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0
33	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0
34	State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
35	March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0
36	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0
37	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0
38	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0
39	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0
40	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0."

41 Section 4. G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

42 "(b9) Animal Lovers Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications
 43 before an animal lovers plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the

1 money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of
2 the animal lovers plate to the Department of Health and Human Services to create a
3 statewide program to promote spaying and neutering of dogs and cats."

4 Section 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.