GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

SESSION LAW 2003-68 SENATE BILL 295

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES FOR PARAMEDICS AND THE NORTH CAROLINA COASTAL FEDERATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding the following new subdivisions to read:

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

(28d) NC Coastal Federation. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear a phrase used by the North Carolina Coastal Federation and an image that depicts the coastal area of the State.

(29d) Paramedics. – Issuable to an emergency medical technician-paramedic, as defined in G.S. 131E-155. The plate shall bear the Star of Life logo and the phrase "Professional Paramedic". The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate."

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

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

Special Plate	Additional Fee Amount
Historical Attraction	\$30.00
State Attraction	\$30.00
Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
Goodness Grows	\$25.00
Kids First	\$25.00
Olympic Games	\$25.00
NČ Agribusiness	\$25.00
NC Coastal Federation	\$25.00
Special Olympics	\$25.00
The V Foundation for Cancer Research Division	\$25.00
University Health Systems of Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
Animal Lovers	\$20.00
Audubon North Carolina	\$20.00
Ducks Unlimited	\$20.00
Harley Owners' Group	\$20.00
First in Forestry	\$20.00
Litter Prevention	\$20.00

March of Dimes	\$20.00
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$20.00
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$25.00
Save the Sea Turtles	\$20.00
Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
School Technology	\$20.00
Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
Special Forces Association	\$20.00
Support Public Schools	\$20.00
Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
Personalized	\$20.00
Active Member of the National Guard	None
100% Disabled Veteran	None
Ex-Prisoner of War	None
Legion of Valor	None
Purple Heart Recipient	None
Silver Star Recipient	None
All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

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

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

Special Plate

Special Plate	SRPA	<u>CCAPA</u>	NHTF
Animal Lovers	\$10	\$10	0
Audubon North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0
Ducks Unlimited	\$10	\$10	0
First in Forestry	\$10	0	\$10
Goodness Grows	\$10	\$15	0
Harley Owners' Group	\$10	\$10	0
Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0
Kids First	\$10	\$15	0
Litter Prevention	\$10	\$10	0
March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0
NC Agribusiness	\$10	\$15	0
NC Coastal Federation	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$15</u>	$\frac{0}{0}$
Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$10	\$10	0
Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15
Personalized	\$10	0	\$10
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$10	\$15	0
Save the Sea Turtles	\$10	\$10	0
Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0
School Technology	\$10	\$10	0
Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0
Special Forces Association	\$10	\$10	0
Special Olympics	\$10	\$10	0
State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
Support Public Schools	\$10	\$10	0
The V Foundation for Cancer Research	\$10	\$15	0
University Health Systems of Eastern			
Carolina	\$10	\$15	0

Wildlife Resources \$10 \$10 ŏ."

All other Special Plates \$10 0 0." **SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding the following new subsection to read:

"(b25) NC Coastal Federation. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for a NC Coastal Federation plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of NC Coastal Federation plates to the North Carolina Coastal Federation, Inc."
SECTION 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 15th day of May, 2003.

- s/ Marc Basnight President Pro Tempore of the Senate
- s/ Richard T. Morgan Speaker of the House of Representatives
- s/ Michael F. Easley Governor

Approved 5:50 p.m. this 20th day of May, 2003

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