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SENATE BILL 857

Short Title: Hospice Care in NC Special Plate.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE  
A SPECIAL PLATE FOR HOSPICE CARE IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-63(b) reads as rewritten:

**"§ 20-63. Registration plates furnished by Division; requirements; replacement of regular plates with First in Flight plates; surrender and reissuance; displaying; preservation and cleaning; alteration or concealment of numbers; commission contracts for issuance.**

...

(b) Every license plate shall have displayed upon it the registration number assigned to the vehicle for which it is issued, the name of the State of North Carolina, which may be abbreviated, and the year number for which it is issued or the date of expiration. A plate issued for a commercial vehicle, as defined in G.S. 20-4.2(1), and weighing 26,001 pounds or more, must bear the word "commercial," unless the plate is a special registration plate authorized in G.S. 20-79.4 or the commercial vehicle is a trailer or is licensed for 6,000 pounds or less. The plate issued for vehicles licensed for 7,000 pounds through 26,000 pounds must bear the word "weighted".

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a registration plate issued by the Division for a private passenger vehicle or for a private hauler vehicle licensed for 6,000 pounds or less shall be a "First in Flight" plate. A "First in Flight" plate shall have the words "First in Flight" printed at the top of the plate above all other letters and numerals. The background of the plate shall depict the Wright Brothers biplane flying over Kitty Hawk Beach, with the plane flying slightly upward and to the right. The following special registration plates do not have to be a "First in Flight" plate. The design of the plates that are not "First in Flight" plates must be approved by the Division and the State Highway Patrol for clarity and ease of identification.

(1) Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

(2) Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

- 1 (3) Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation.
- 2 (4) Friends of the Appalachian Trail.
- 3 (5) NC Coastal Federation.
- 4 (6) In God We Trust.
- 5 (7) Stock Car Racing Theme.
- 6 (8) Buddy Pelletier Surfing Foundation.
- 7 (9) Guilford Battleground Company.
- 8 (10) National Wild Turkey Federation.
- 9 (11) North Carolina Aquarium Society.
- 10 (12) First in Forestry.
- 11 (13) North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation.
- 12 (14) NC Trout Unlimited.
- 13 (15) Ducks Unlimited.
- 14 (16) Lung Cancer Research.
- 15 (17) NC State Parks.
- 16 (18) Support Our Troops.
- 17 (19) US Equine Rescue League.
- 18 (20) Fox Hunting.
- 19 (21) Hospice Care."

20 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-79.4(b) reads as rewritten:

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

- 23 ...
- 24 (58a) Hospice Care. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in  
25 accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the phrase  
26 "Hospice Care" and the letters "HC" on the right side of the plate.
- 27 ..."

28 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

29 **"§ 20-79.7. Fees for special registration plates and distribution of the fees.**

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

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
37 Coastal Conservation Association	\$30.00
38 Crystal Coast	\$30.00
39 El Pueblo	\$30.00
40 First in Forestry	\$30.00
41 Historical Attraction	\$30.00
42 HOMES4NC	\$30.00
43 <u>Hospice Care</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
44 In God We Trust	\$30.00

1	North Carolina 4-H Development Fund	\$30.00
2	North Carolina Libraries	\$30.00
3	Personalized	\$30.00
4	Share the Road	\$30.00
5	State Attraction	\$30.00
6	Stock Car Racing Theme	\$30.00
7	Support Our Troops	\$30.00
8	Buffalo Soldiers	\$25.00
9	Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
10	Goodness Grows	\$25.00
11	High School Insignia	\$25.00
12	Kids First	\$25.00
13	Olympic Games	\$25.00
14	National Multiple Sclerosis Society	\$25.00
15	National Wild Turkey Federation	\$25.00
16	NC Agribusiness	\$25.00
17	NC Children's Promise	\$25.00
18	NC Coastal Federation	\$25.00
19	Nurses	\$25.00
20	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$25.00
21	Special Olympics	\$25.00
22	Surveyor Plate	\$25.00
23	The V Foundation for Cancer Research Division	\$25.00
24	University Health Systems of Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
25	Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity	\$20.00
26	Animal Lovers	\$20.00
27	ARC of North Carolina	\$20.00
28	Audubon North Carolina	\$20.00
29	Autism Society of North Carolina	\$20.00
30	Be Active NC	\$20.00
31	Breast Cancer Awareness	\$20.00
32	Buddy Pelletier Surfing Foundation	\$20.00
33	Daughters of the American Revolution	\$20.00
34	Ducks Unlimited	\$20.00
35	Greyhound Friends of North Carolina	\$20.00
36	Guilford Battleground Company	\$20.00
37	Harley Owners' Group	\$20.00
38	Litter Prevention	\$20.00
39	March of Dimes	\$20.00
40	NC Trout Unlimited	\$20.00
41	NC Wildlife Habitat Foundation	\$20.00
42	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$20.00
43	Prince Hall Mason	\$20.00
44	Save the Sea Turtles	\$20.00

1	Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
2	School Technology	\$20.00
3	SCUBA	\$20.00
4	Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
5	Special Forces Association	\$20.00
6	Support Public Schools	\$20.00
7	US Equine Rescue League	\$20.00
8	Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
9	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$20.00
10	Carolina's Aviation Museum	\$15.00
11	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	\$15.00
12	Lung Cancer Research	\$15.00
13	Shag Dancing	\$15.00
14	Active Member of the National Guard	None
15	100% Disabled Veteran	None
16	Ex-Prisoner of War	None
17	Legion of Valor	None
18	Purple Heart Recipient	None
19	Silver Star Recipient	None
20	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

**SECTION 4.** 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), the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, and the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, which is established under G.S. 113-44.15, as follows:

	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>	
29	<u>Special Plate</u>				
30	Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity	\$10	\$10	0	0
31	Animal Lovers	\$10	\$10	0	0
32	ARC of North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0	0
33	Audubon North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0	0
34	Autism Society of North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0	0
35	Be Active NC	\$10	\$10	0	0
36	Breast Cancer Awareness	\$10	\$10	0	0
37	Buddy Pelletier Surfing Foundation	\$10	\$10	0	0
38	Buffalo Soldiers	\$10	\$15	0	0
39	Carolina's Aviation Museum	\$10	\$5	0	0
40	Coastal Conservation Association	\$10	\$20	0	0
41	Crystal Coast	\$10	\$20	0	0
42	Daughters of the American				
43	Revolution	\$10	\$10	0	0
44	Ducks Unlimited	\$10	\$10	0	0

1	El Pueblo	\$10	\$20	0	0
2	First in Forestry	\$10	\$10	\$10	0
3	Goodness Grows	\$10	\$15	0	0
4	Greyhound Friends of				
5	North Carolina	\$10	\$10	0	0
6	Guilford Battleground				
7	Company	\$10	\$10	0	0
8	Harley Owners' Group	\$10	\$10	0	0
9	High School Insignia	\$10	\$15	0	0
10	Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0	0
11	HOMES4NC	\$10	\$20	0	0
12	<u>Hospice Care</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
13	In God We Trust	\$10	\$20	0	0
14	In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0	0
15	Kids First	\$10	\$15	0	0
16	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society	\$10	\$5	0	0
17	Litter Prevention	\$10	\$10	0	0
18	Lung Cancer Research	\$10	\$5	0	0
19	March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0	0
20	National Multiple Sclerosis				
21	Society	\$10	\$15	0	0
22	National Wild Turkey				
23	Federation	\$10	\$15	0	0
24	NC Agribusiness	\$10	\$15	0	0
25	NC Children's Promise	\$10	\$15	0	0
26	NC Coastal Federation	\$10	\$15	0	0
27	NC 4-H Development Fund	\$10	\$20	0	0
28	NC Trout Unlimited	\$10	\$10	0	0
29	North Carolina Libraries	\$10	\$20	0	0
30	NC Wildlife Habitat Foundation	\$10	\$10	0	0
31	Nurses	\$10	\$15	0	0
32	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0	0
33	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$10	\$10	0	0
34	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15	0
35	Personalized	\$10	0	\$15	\$5
36	Prince Hall Mason	\$10	\$10	0	0
37	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	\$10	\$15	0	0
38	Save the Sea Turtles	\$10	\$10	0	0
39	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0	0
40	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0	0
41	SCUBA	\$10	\$10	0	0
42	Shag Dancing	\$10	\$5	0	0
43	Share the Road	\$10	\$20	0	0
44	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0	0

1	Special Forces Association	\$10	\$10	0	0
2	Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0	0
3	State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0	0
4	Stock Car Racing Theme	\$10	\$20	0	0
5	Support Our Troops	\$10	\$20	0	0
6	Support Public Schools	\$10	\$10	0	0
7	Surveyor Plate	\$10	\$15	0	0
8	The V Foundation for Cancer				
9	Research	\$10	\$15	0	0
10	University Health Systems of				
11	Eastern Carolina	\$10	\$15	0	0
12	US Equine Rescue League	\$10	\$10	0	0
13	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0	0
14	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$10	\$10	0	0
15	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0	0."

16           **SECTION 5.** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:  
17           "(b62) Hospice Care. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for the  
18 Hospice Care plate before the plate may be developed. The Division must transfer  
19 quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived  
20 from the sale of Hospice Care plates to The Carolinas Center for Hospice and End of  
21 Life Care for its programs in support of hospice care in North Carolina."

22           **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.