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SENATE BILL 1285*

Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources Committee Substitute Adopted 6/20/00

Short Title: Litter Prevention Special Plate.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

May 17, 2000

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE
LITTER PREVENTION SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

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

...
(22a) Litter Prevention. – 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 litter prevention in North Carolina."

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 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:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
Historical Attraction	\$30.00

1	State Attraction	\$30.00
2	Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
3	Kids First	\$25.00
4	Olympic Games	\$25.00
5	Special Olympics	\$25.00
6	University Health Systems of	
7	Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
8	Animal Lovers	\$20.00
9	<u>Litter Prevention</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>
10	March of Dimes	\$20.00
11	Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
12	School Technology	\$20.00
13	Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
14	Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
15	Personalized	\$20.00
16	Active Member of the National Guard	None
17	Purple Heart Recipient	None
18	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00.

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

25	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>
26	Animal Lovers	\$10	\$10	0
27	<u>Litter Prevention</u>	<u>\$ 5</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>
28	Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
29	In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0
30	Kids First	\$10	\$15	0
31	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15
32	Personalized	\$10	0	\$10
33	Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0
34	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0
35	State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
36	March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0
37	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0
38	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0
39	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0
40	University Health Systems of			
41	Eastern Carolina	\$10	\$15	0
42	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0
43	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0"

1 Section 3. G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

2 "(b12) Litter Prevention Plates. – The Division shall develop a litter prevention
3 plate regardless of the number of applications for the plate that the Division receives.
4 The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction
5 Plate Account derived from the sale of litter prevention plates to the Litter Prevention
6 Account created pursuant to G.S. 136-125.1."

7 Section 4. Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
8 Article to read:

9 **"ARTICLE 10A.**

10 **"LITTER PREVENTION ACCOUNT.**

11 **"§ 136-125.1. Litter Prevention Account.**

12 There is established under the control and direction of the Department of
13 Transportation the Litter Prevention Account. The Account shall be a nonreverting
14 special revenue account within the Highway Fund and shall consist of moneys credited to
15 the Account under G.S. 20-81.12(b12) from the sale of litter prevention special
16 registration plates. The Department of Transportation shall allocate the funds in the
17 Account to reduce litter in the State.

18 **"§ 136-125.2. Report.**

19 The Department of Transportation shall report no later than 1 October of each year to
20 the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee and the Environmental Review
21 Commission regarding the allocation of funds from the Litter Prevention Account. The
22 report shall include all receipts to and allocations from the Account made during the
23 previous fiscal year and shall explain how each allocation serves to reduce litter in the
24 State."

25 Section 5. The first report required by G.S. 136-125.2, as enacted by Section 4
26 of this act, is due no later than 1 October 2002.

27 Section 6. The Department of Transportation, the Department of Environment
28 and Natural Resources, and the Department of Public Instruction shall cooperatively
29 develop the phrase and picture to be used on the litter prevention special registration plate
30 authorized by G.S. 20-79.6(b)(22a), as enacted by Section 1 of this act.

31 Section 7. The Legislative Research Commission shall study issues related to
32 the prevention and removal of litter. The Commission shall make a final report of its
33 recommendations regarding the prevention and removal of litter, including any proposed
34 legislation, to the 2001 General Assembly.

35 Section 8. This act is effective when it becomes law.