

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA



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Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: Senate Bill 116 (Second Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Authorize Various Special Plates.

SPONSOR(S): Senator Hoyle

FISCAL IMPACT

Yes () No () No Estimate Available (X)

FY 2009-10 FY 2010-11 FY 2011-12 FY 2012-13 FY 2013-14

No Estimate Available

REVENUES:

See Assumptions and Methodology

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Division of Motor Vehicles

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2009

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 116 authorizes certain special plates provided the Division receives 300 or more application for a particular plate. The bill authorizes the following special plates:

- The Armed forces Expeditionary Medal Recipient Plate
- The Boy Scouts of America Plate
- The Carolinas Golf Associate Plate
- The Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden Plate
- The First in Turf Plate
- The Girl Scouts Plate
- The High Point Furniture Market 100th Anniversary Plate
- The Home of American Golf Plate
- The Jaycees Plate
- The NC Horse Council Plate
- The NC Wildlife Federation Plate
- The NC Master Gardener Plate
- The P.E.O. Sisterhood Plate
- The Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Plate
- The S.T.A.R. Plate
- The Support NC Education Plate
- The Support Soccer Plate
- The Town of Oak Island Plate

- The Travel and Tourism Plate
- The “Old Baldy” Plate
- The Mayors, Council Members, & School Board Members Plate

Of the additional fees charged for each plate, the first ten dollars will go to the Special Registration Plate account. In cases where the fee is in excess of ten dollars, the remainder will go to the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate account to be transferred quarterly to the entity nominated within the bill.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

Senate Bill 116 authorizes certain special plates provided the Division receives 300 or more application for a particular plate. The additional fees for the following plates are not specified: The “Old Baldy” plate, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal Recipient plate, and The Mayors, Council Members, & School Board Members plate. The “Old Baldy” plate qualifies as a State Attraction plate. Therefore, according to G.S. 20-79.7, the additional fee for this plate will be \$30 per plate. The other two plates would be considered other special plates. According to G.S. 20-79.7, the additional fee for these plates would be \$10 per plate. The remainder of the special plate fees are specified in the bill. The chart below summarizes these fees.

Special Registration Plates: Fees Specified in SB 116

Boy Scouts of America	\$30.00	Support Soccer	\$25.00
Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden	\$30.00	Jaycees	\$20.00
Girl Scouts	\$30.00	NC Horse Council	\$20.00
Home of American Golf	\$30.00	NC Wildlife Federation	\$20.00
P.E.O. Sisterhood	\$30.00	North Carolina Master Gardener	\$20.00
S.T.A.R.	\$30.00	Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity	\$20.00
Old Baldy	\$30.00	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority	\$20.00
Support NC Education	\$30.00	Gold Star Lapel Button	None
Travel and Tourism	\$30.00	First in Turf	\$25.00

Of the additional fees charged for each plate, the first ten dollars will go to the Special Registration Plate account. In cases where the fee is in excess of ten dollars, the remainder will go to the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate account to be transferred quarterly to the entity nominated within the bill. Fiscal Research cannot estimate how many applications for each of the authorized plates will be received. Assuming there are at least 300 applications for each of these plates, they will each result in a \$3,000 revenue increase to the Special Registration Plate account for the period during which the applications are received. Each of these plates would also result in an increase in revenues to the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate account for distribution to the respective entity equal to the fee in excess of ten dollars multiplied by the 300 applications. For example, in the case of the Boy Scouts of America plate, the revenue increase would be \$6000 for the period during which the applications are receive. If the plates do not reach the 300 application threshold, the plates will not be created and there will be no fiscal impact.

SOURCES OF DATA:

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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