By Senator Harrell

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a General Aviation license plate; providing for distribution and use of fees collected from the sale of the plate; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (127) is added to section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.-

(127) GENERAL AVIATION LICENSE PLATES.—

(a) The department shall develop a General Aviation license plate as provided in this section and s. 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "Support General Aviation" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

(b) The department shall retain the annual use fees from the sale of the plate until all startup costs associated with the development and issuance of the plate have been recovered.

Thereafter, the annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be distributed to the Aerospace Center for Excellence located in Lakeland to fund scholarships for students in this state who are pursuing careers in the field of aviation.

Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2024.