

By the Committee on Transportation and Representative
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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to specialty license plates;
3 amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; providing for a
4 Florida Companion Animal license plate;
5 providing for an annual use fee for such
6 plates; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; providing
7 for the distribution and uses of the annual use
8 fee; providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (s) is added to subsection (4) of
13 section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

14 320.08056 Specialty license plates.--

15 (4) The following license plate annual use fees shall
16 be collected for the appropriate specialty license plates:

17 (s) Florida Companion Animal license plate, \$18.

18 Section 2. Subsection (19) is added to section
19 320.08058, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

20 320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

21 (19) FLORIDA COMPANION ANIMAL LICENSE PLATES.--

22 (a) The department shall develop a Florida Companion
23 Animal license plate as provided in this section to
24 commemorate Florida's companion animals. The Florida Companion
25 Animal license plate shall depict the silhouettes of a person,
26 a dog, a cat, and a horse within a heart and shall be produced
27 in the colors and design approved by the department, provided
28 that the words "We Care for Animals" shall be centered at the
29 bottom of the plate, with two silhouettes on either side.

30 (b) The annual use fee proceeds shall be distributed
31 to the Florida Animal Health Foundation, Inc., a

1 Florida-registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charitable
2 educational and service organization. The Florida Companion
3 Animal license plate annual use fee proceeds shall be used by
4 the foundation for veterinary medical care of animals
5 belonging to needy owners, neutering programs, animal shelter
6 operations, overpopulation education, enforcement of animal
7 control ordinances, cruelty investigations, promotion of
8 human-animal bonds, foundation service programs, promotion of
9 the license plate, and administrative purposes related to the
10 Florida Companion Animal license plate.

11 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
12 law.

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