

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to license plates; amending ss.  
3           320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Florida  
4           Wildflower license plate; providing for the  
5           distribution of annual use fees received from  
6           the sale of such plates; providing an effective  
7           date.

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

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11           Section 1. Paragraph (z) is added to subsection (4) of  
12   section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, to read:

13           320.08056 Specialty license plates.--

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

16           (z) Florida Wildflower license plate, \$15.

17           Section 2. Subsection (26) is added to section  
18   320.08058, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, to read:

19           320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

20           (26) FLORIDA WILDFLOWER LICENSE PLATES.--

21           (a) The department shall develop a Florida Wildflower  
22   license plate as provided in this section. The word "Florida"  
23   must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "State  
24   Wildflower" and "coreopsis" must appear at the bottom of the  
25   plate.

26           (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the  
27   Wildflower Account established by Keep Florida Beautiful,  
28   Inc., created by s. 403.4131. The proceeds must be used to  
29   establish native Florida wildflower research programs,  
30   wildflower educational programs, and wildflower grant programs  
31   to municipal, county, and community-based groups in this

1 state. A maximum of 10 percent of the proceeds from the sale  
2 of such plates may be used for administrative costs.

3 Section 3. Subsection (11) is added to section  
4 403.4131, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, to read:

5 403.4131 "Keep Florida Beautiful, Incorporated";  
6 placement of signs.--

7 (11)(a) There is created within Keep Florida  
8 Beautiful, Inc., the Wildflower Advisory Council, consisting  
9 of a maximum of nine members to direct and oversee the  
10 expenditure of the Wildflower Account. The Wildflower Advisory  
11 Council shall include a representative from the University of  
12 Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, the  
13 Florida Department of Transportation, and the Florida  
14 Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida League of  
15 Cities, and the Florida Association of Counties. Other members  
16 of the committee may include representatives from The Florida  
17 Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., Think Beauty Foundation, the  
18 Florida Chapter of the American Society of Landscape  
19 Architects, Inc., and a representative of the Master  
20 Gardener's Program.

21 (b) The Wildflower Advisory Council shall develop  
22 procedures of operation, research contracts, educational  
23 programs, and wildflower planting grants for Florida native  
24 wildflowers, plants and grasses. The council shall also make  
25 the final determination of what constitutes acceptable species  
26 of wildflowers and other plantings supported by these  
27 programs.

28 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.  
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