

Amendment No. 001 (for drafter's use only)

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The Committee on Transportation offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (hh) is added to subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-355, Laws of Florida, to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.--

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

(hh) Protect Florida Whales license plate, \$25.

Section 2. Subsection (34) is added to section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-355, Laws of Florida, to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

(34) PROTECT FLORIDA WHALES LICENSE PLATES.--

(a) The department shall develop a Protect Florida Whales license plate as provided in this section. The word "Florida" shall appear at the top of the plate, and the words

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1 "Protect Florida Whales" shall appear at the bottom of the
2 plate.
3 (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the
4 Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution, Inc., to fund whale
5 research, rehabilitation, and education programs. Up to 15
6 percent of the funds received by the institution may be used
7 for administrative costs directly associated with the Harbor
8 Branch Oceanographic Institution's Marine Mammal Research and
9 Conservation program and this specialty license plate funding.
10 Up to 10 percent of the funds may be used for continuing
11 promotion and marketing of the license plate. Ten percent of
12 the funds shall be distributed to the Wyland Foundation, Inc.,
13 and used specifically to conduct educational programs in this
14 state which promote conservation of Florida marine mammals.
15 The remainder of the funds shall be used to collect, analyze,
16 and archive scientific data regarding whale populations that
17 inhabit, utilize, or migrate in state waters; provide care and
18 assistance to stranded whales; construct and maintain a
19 Harbor-Branch-based teaching marine mammal hospital; train
20 veterinary students in the rescue, medical and rehabilitation
21 treatment, and release and postrelease monitoring of stranded
22 whales; distribute information for the purpose of protecting
23 and preserving whales; identify whale populations; conduct
24 scientific research through genetic, telemetry, bioacoustical,
25 and photographic identification research programs; advance the
26 research technology associated with tracking, monitoring, and
27 categorizing whales; develop methods of monitoring whale
28 movements; and provide for methods of early-warning detection
29 systems and advance notification that will help prevent
30 accidental boat strikes in state waters.

31 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 remove: the entire title

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5 and insert:

6 A bill to be entitled

7 An act relating to license plates; amending ss.

8 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a

9 Protect Florida Whales specialty license plate;

10 providing an annual use fee; providing for the

11 distribution of the use fees received;

12 providing an effective date.

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