

Bill No. CS for SB 480

Amendment No. Barcode 690816

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11 Senator Smith moved the following **amendment to amendment**
 12 (405274):

14 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

15 On page 4, between lines 1 and 2,
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 17 insert:

18 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (19) of section
 19 320.08058, Florida Statutes, as amended by chapter 2001-355,
 20 Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

21 320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

22 (19) SEA TURTLE LICENSE PLATES.--

23 (b) The first \$500,000 in annual use fees shall be
 24 deposited in the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund in
 25 the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and. ~~The first~~
 26 ~~\$500,000 in annual revenue~~ shall be used by the Florida Marine
 27 Turtle Protection Program to conduct sea turtle protection,
 28 research, and recovery programs. The next \$215,000 in annual
 29 use fees shall be distributed to the Caribbean Conservation
 30 Corporation, located in Gainesville, to fund sea turtle
 31 research and education programs that benefit Florida sea

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1 turtles. The Caribbean Conservation Corporation shall annually
2 distribute assigned funds through a Sea Turtle Grants Program
3 that supports sea turtle research and education activities of
4 Florida-based nonprofit groups, educational institutions, and
5 Florida coastal counties. The Caribbean Conservation
6 Corporation shall write and publish procedures for submitting
7 grant applications and criteria for allocating available
8 funds, and shall appoint a technical advisory committee,
9 composed of at least five members, including two
10 representatives from the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
11 Commission, to select grant recipients from proposals
12 submitted by eligible entities. Any additional annual revenue
13 shall be distributed as follows: 70 percent shall be deposited
14 in the Marine Resources Conservation Trust Fund and used by
15 the Florida Marine Turtle Protection Program for sea turtle
16 conservation activities; and 30 percent shall be assigned to
17 the Caribbean Conservation Corporation for distribution
18 through the Sea Turtle Grants Program. Up to 15 percent of the
19 funds distributed to the Caribbean Conservation Corporation
20 may be expended for administrative costs directly associated
21 with the grants program. Up to 10 percent of the funds
22 distributed to the Caribbean Conservation Corporation may be
23 used to promote and market the Sea Turtle license plate. None
24 of the funds received by the Caribbean Conservation
25 Corporation from the Sea Turtle license plate or the Sea
26 Turtle Grants Program, nor funds received by any grant
27 recipients of the Sea Turtle Grants Program, may be used for
28 purposes of litigation. ~~Additional license plate revenue, up~~
29 ~~to an amount not exceeding 30 percent of the total annual~~
30 ~~revenue, shall be dispersed annually through the marine turtle~~
31 ~~grants program as provided in s. 370.12(1)(h). The remaining~~

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1 ~~annual use proceeds shall be used by the Florida Marine Turtle~~
2 ~~Protection Program for sea turtle conservation activities.~~

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4 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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8 And the title is amended as follows:

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On page 4, lines 11 and 12, delete those lines

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11 and insert:

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An act relating to transportation; amending s.

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320.08058, F.S.; providing for a portion of the

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annual use fees to be distributed to the

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Caribbean Conservation Corporation; providing

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guidelines for the distribution of such funds

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by the corporation; prohibiting funds from

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being used for litigation; amending s. 339.137,

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F.S.; providing

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