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CHAMBER ACTION

The Committee on Transportation recommends the following:

Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to specialty license plates; creating s. 320.0891, F.S.; creating the U.S. Paratroopers license plate; restricting eligibility to purchase such plates; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 320.0891, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

320.0891 U.S. Paratroopers license plate.--

(1) The department shall develop a U.S. Paratroopers license plate as provided in this section. The U.S. Paratroopers license 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 "U.S. Paratroopers" must appear at the bottom of the plate. The Airborne Wings and Glider Wings logo must appear in black on the left side of the plate, centered



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29 from top to bottom. The plate must have a white background with
30 red and blue letters or numbers.

31 (2) U.S. Paratroopers license plates may only be purchased
32 by current or former United States military personnel who, as
33 part of their military duty, have been trained to jump from
34 flying aircraft.

35 (3) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for
36 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a
37 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d),
38 which is not used for hire or commercial use, who is a resident
39 of this state and who meets the qualifications contained in
40 subsection (2) shall, upon application therefor to the
41 department, with the payment of the tax and fees described in
42 subsection (5), be issued a U.S. Paratroopers license plate.
43 Each application shall be accompanied by proof that the
44 applicant has been decorated as a parachutist or has completed
45 the U.S. Army Jump School.

46 (4) The department is responsible for developing the
47 license plate authorized in this section. The department shall
48 begin production and distribution within 1 year.

49 (5) Each request must be made annually to the department,
50 accompanied by the following tax and fees:

51 (a) The license tax required for the vehicle as set forth
52 in s. 320.08.

53 (b) A processing fee of \$2.

54 (c) A license plate fee as required by s. 320.06(1)(b).

55 (d) A license plate annual use fee of \$20.



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56 (6) The department shall retain all annual use fee
57 revenues from the sale of the U.S. Paratroopers license plates
58 until all startup costs for developing and issuing the plates
59 are recovered, not to exceed \$60,000. Thereafter, the annual
60 use fee revenues shall be distributed to the State Homes for
61 Veterans Trust Fund.

62 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2003.