



1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to specialty license plates; creating s.
3 320.08068, F.S.; creating a specialty license plate for
4 motorcycles; providing for the distribution of annual use
5 fees received from the sale of such plates; providing an
6 effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Section 320.08068, Florida Statutes, is created
11 to read:

12 320.08068 Motorcycle specialty license plates.--

13 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 320.08053, the
14 department shall develop a reduced dimensions specialty license
15 plate for display on motorcycles.

16 (2) The department shall issue a specialty license plate
17 to the owner or lessee of any motorcycle upon request and
18 payment of the appropriate license taxes and fees.

19 (3) Each request must be made annually to the department,
20 accompanied by the following taxes and fees:

21 (a) The license tax required under s. 320.08.

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

23 (c) A processing fee of \$2.

24 (d) A license plate annual use fee as required in
25 subsection (4).

26 (4) A license plate annual use fee of \$15 shall be
27 collected for each motorcycle specialty license plate. Annual
28 use fees shall be distributed to The Able Trust as custodial



29 agent. The Able Trust may retain a maximum of 10 percent of the
30 proceeds from the sale of the license plate for administrative
31 costs. The Able Trust shall distribute the remaining funds as
32 follows:

33 (a) Twenty-five percent to the Brain and Spinal Cord
34 Injury Program Trust Fund.

35 (b) Twenty-five percent to Prevent Blindness Florida.

36 (c) Twenty-five percent to the Foundation for Vocational
37 Rehabilitation to support the Personal Care Attendant Program
38 pursuant to s. 413.402.

39 (d) Twenty-five percent to the Florida Association of
40 Centers for Independent Living for the purpose of setting up
41 Direct-Support Organizations for each center, and for programs
42 and activities serving disabled Floridians. Each center
43 participating in the development of a direct-support
44 organization shall be eligible to apply through the Association
45 for a start-up grant of up to \$50,000. Thereafter, to the extent
46 that funds are available, each participating center may apply
47 for funds in the form of matching grants. The first year, the
48 centers shall provide 25 cents for each dollar requested. The
49 second year, the center shall provide 50 cents to each dollar
50 requested, and thereafter, the center shall provide a dollar for
51 dollar match for each dollar requested. The match shall be from
52 private, nongovernmental sources.

53 (5) If an owner or lessee to whom the department has
54 issued a motorcycle specialty license plate acquires a
55 replacement vehicle within the owner's registration period, the
56 department must authorize a transfer of the specialty license



57 plate to the replacement vehicle in accordance with s. 320.0609.

58 The annual use fee or processing fee may not be refunded.

59 (6) The license plate shall be 4 inches wide by 7 inches
60 long and incorporate a red, white, and blue color scheme
61 approved by the department and may bear the imprint of numerals
62 from 1 to 999, inclusive, capital letters "A" through "Z," or a
63 combination thereof. The department shall determine the maximum
64 number of characters, including numerals and letters. Motorcycle
65 specialty license plates must be otherwise of the same material
66 as standard license plates issued for any registration period.
67 In small letters, the word "Florida" must appear at the top of
68 the plate.

69 (7) The department may issue personalized prestige plates
70 for license plates authorized in this section. Such plates shall
71 be issued in accordance with applicable provisions contained in
72 s. 320.0805.

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