

By the Committees on Finance and Taxation; Children and Families; Transportation; and Senators Smith, Lynn and Peadar

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating a Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention license plate; 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. Paragraph (mm) is added to subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.--

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

(mm) Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention license plate, \$25.

Section 2. Subsection (39) is added to section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

(39) CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION LICENSE PLATES.--

(a) The department shall develop a Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention license plate as provided in this section. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "Stop Child Abuse" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

(b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the Children's Home Society of Florida and the Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers as follows: The first \$90,000 in annual use fees shall be equally divided between the two

1 organizations, to be used to pay start-up costs, including
2 costs incurred in developing and issuing the plates.
3 Thereafter, 50 percent of the proceeds shall be distributed to
4 the Children's Home Society of Florida, which must distribute
5 the funds proportionately to each of its divisions, to be used
6 for child abuse prevention programs. The other 50 percent of
7 the proceeds shall be distributed to the board of directors
8 of the Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers, Inc.,
9 who shall develop funding criteria and an allocation
10 methodology that ensures an equitable distribution of those
11 funds among network participant centers that meet the
12 standards set forth in s. 39.3035. The criteria and
13 methodologies shall take into account factors that include,
14 but need not be limited to, the center's accreditation status
15 with respect to the National Children's Alliance, the number
16 of clients served, and the population of the area being served
17 by the children's advocacy center.

18 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

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20 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
21 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
22 CS/CS/SB 310

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24 The Committee Substitute changed the distribution of the 50
25 percent of the Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention license
26 plate user fee originally going to the Florida Network of
27 Children's Advocacy Centers. That 50 percent distribution is
28 now to be distributed to the Board of Directors of the Florida
29 Network of Children's Advocacy Centers, Inc., who shall
30 develop funding criteria and an allocation methodology that
31 ensures an equitable distribution of those funds among network
participant centers that meet the standards as set forth in s.
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account factors that include, but are not limited to, the
center's accreditation status with respect to the National
Children's Alliance, the number of clients served, and the
population of the area being served by the children's advocacy
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