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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss.
 3 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating a UNITY license
 4 plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees
 5 received from the sale of such plates; providing for
 6 construction of the act in pari materia with laws enacted
 7 during the 2003 Regular Session or the 2003 Special
 8 Session A of the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Paragraph (mm) is added to subsection (4) of
 13 section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, to read:

14 320.08056 Specialty license plates.--
 15 (4) The following license plate annual use fees shall be
 16 collected for the appropriate specialty license plates:
 17 (mm) UNITY license plate, \$25.

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

20 320.08058 Specialty license plates.--
 21 (39) UNITY LICENSE PLATES.--

22 (a) The department shall develop a UNITY license plate as
 23 provided in this section. The word "Florida" must appear at the
 24 top of the plate, and the word "UNITY" must appear at the bottom
 25 of the plate.

26 (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the
 27 British-American Foundation, Inc. Up to 25 percent of such funds
 28 shall be used for marketing and promotion of the "UNITY" concept
 29 and license plate. The remaining funds shall be used in the
 30 following manner:



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31 1. Twenty-five percent shall be used to establish and
32 administer advice centers that will provide informative and
33 educational informational materials and referral services to
34 assist recently arrived residents, prospective residents, and
35 individuals in adapting to living, working, and doing business
36 in the State of Florida, particularly to prevent fraudulent
37 conduct.

38 2. Twenty percent shall be distributed as grants, as
39 determined by an internal review committee, to organizations
40 whose efforts are specifically directed toward protecting
41 Florida residents from fraudulent business practices, corporate
42 scams, identity theft, and other fraud.

43 3. Ten percent shall be distributed to identified agencies
44 to assist them with efforts that are specifically directed
45 toward providing Florida residents with a toll-free hotline to
46 fight fraud and corporate scams.

47 4. Ten percent shall be used to pay the cost of
48 professional advice and guidance to protect Florida residents
49 from fraudulent business practices, to promote ethical business
50 practices, and to provide informational seminars disseminating
51 information and materials to prevent fraudulent conduct.

52 5. Ten percent shall be expended by the British-American
53 Foundation, Inc., for administrative costs directly associated
54 with the foundation's operations as they relate to its goals of
55 fighting fraud.

56 Section 3. If any law amended by this act was also amended
57 by a law enacted at the 2003 Regular Session of the Legislature
58 or at the 2003 Special Session A of the Legislature, such laws
59 shall be construed as if they had been enacted at the same



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60 session of the Legislature, and full effect shall be given to
61 each if possible.

62 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.