

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Committee on Finance & Tax recommends the following:

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3 **Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss.
7 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; creating the Kids Deserve
8 Justice license plate; providing for an annual use fee;
9 providing for the distribution of such fees received from
10 the sale of the plates; providing an effective date.

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12 WHEREAS, many of Florida's children require special
13 protection and assistance in order to become self-sufficient
14 adults and contributing members of society, and

15 WHEREAS, low-income children often lack access to legal
16 services advocacy and other support services they need to
17 achieve their full potential, and

18 WHEREAS, there are inadequate resources available to
19 support legal services advocacy, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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23 Section 1. Paragraph (ss) is added to subsection (4) of
24 section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, to read:

25 320.08056 Specialty license plates.--

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

28 (ss) Kids Deserve Justice license plate, \$25.

29 Section 2. Subsection (45) is added to section 320.08058,
30 Florida Statutes, to read:

31 320.08058 Specialty license plates.--

32 (45) KIDS DESERVE JUSTICE LICENSE PLATES.--

33 (a) The department shall develop a Kids Deserve Justice
34 license plate as provided in this section. Kids Deserve Justice
35 license plates must bear the colors and design approved by the
36 department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
37 plate, and the words "Kids Deserve Justice" must appear at the
38 bottom of the plate.

39 (b) The department shall remit the proceeds of the annual
40 use fees to the Florida Bar Foundation, Inc. The Florida Bar
41 Foundation, Inc., shall retain all revenues from the sale of
42 such plates so that all startup costs for developing and
43 establishing the plate may be recovered by The Florida Bar and
44 the Florida Bar Foundation, Inc. All remaining funds thereafter
45 shall be expended by the Florida Bar Foundation, Inc., which
46 shall provide for a grant solicitation and award process to
47 distribute funds from the fees to children's legal services
48 programs, which shall include, without limitation, legal
49 services advocacy for disabled children to secure needed federal
50 benefits for their well-being, for learning-disabled children to

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51 | secure testing and services required by law, or for legal
52 | representation of abused and neglected children to promptly
53 | achieve permanent placement. The Florida Bar Foundation, Inc.,
54 | shall award grants for children's legal services on statewide
55 | and local levels.

56 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.