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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Rules (Thrasher and Latvala) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

Between lines 19 and 20

insert:

(70) ST. JOHNS RIVER LICENSE PLATES.—

(b) The requirements of s. 320.08053 must be met prior to the issuance of the plate. Thereafter, the license plate annual use fees shall be distributed to the St. Johns River Alliance, Inc., a s. 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, which shall administer the fees as follows:



11           1. The St. Johns River Alliance, Inc., shall retain the  
12 first \$60,000 of the annual use fees as direct reimbursement for  
13 administrative costs, startup costs, and costs incurred in the  
14 development and approval process. Thereafter, up to 10 percent  
15 of the annual use fee revenue may be used for administrative  
16 costs directly associated with education programs, conservation,  
17 research, and grant administration of the organization, and up  
18 to 10 percent may be used for promotion and marketing of the  
19 specialty license plate.

20           2. At least 30 percent of the fees shall be available for  
21 competitive grants for targeted community-based or county-based  
22 research or projects for which state funding is limited or not  
23 currently available. The remaining 50 percent shall be directed  
24 toward community outreach and access programs. The competitive  
25 grants shall be administered and approved by the board of  
26 directors of the St. Johns River Alliance, Inc. A grant advisory  
27 committee shall be composed of six members chosen by the St.  
28 Johns River Alliance board members.

29           3. Any remaining funds shall be distributed with the  
30 approval of and accountability to the board of directors of the  
31 St. Johns River Alliance, Inc., and shall be used to support  
32 activities contributing to education, outreach, and springs  
33 conservation.

34           4. Effective July 1, 2014, the St. Johns River license plate  
35 will shift into the presale voucher phase, as provided in s.  
36 320.08053(3)(b). The St. Johns River Alliance, Inc., shall have  
37 24 months to record a minimum of 1,000 sales of the license  
38 plates. Sales include existing active plates and vouchers sold  
39 subsequent to July 1, 2014. During the voucher period, new



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40 plates may not be issued, but existing plates may be renewed.  
41 If, at the conclusion of the 24-month presale period, the  
42 requirement of a minimum of 1,000 sales has been met, the  
43 department shall resume normal distribution of the St. Johns  
44 River specialty plate. If, after 24 months, the minimum of 1,000  
45 sales has not been met, the department shall discontinue the  
46 development and issuance of the plate. This subparagraph is  
47 repealed June 30, 2016.

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49 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

50 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

51 Delete lines 17 - 18

52 and insert:

53 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (70) of section  
54 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (83) is  
55 added to that section, to read:

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57 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

58 And the title is amended as follows:

59 Delete line 3

60 and insert:

61 s. 320.08056, F.S.; authorizing the collection of  
62 annual use fees for the Fallen Law Enforcement  
63 Officers license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.;  
64 requiring the St. Johns River Alliance, Inc., to  
65 record a certain number of sales within a specified  
66 timeframe; requiring the Department of Highway Safety  
67 and Motor Vehicles to discontinue the plate under  
68 certain circumstances; providing for repeal on a



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specified date; creating a Fallen