

By Senator Flores

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to specialty license plates; amending  
3           ss. 320.08056 and 320.08058, F.S.; directing the  
4           Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to  
5           create a Safe and Free Florida license plate;  
6           establishing an annual use fee for the plate;  
7           providing for the distribution of use fees received  
8           from the sale of such plates; providing an effective  
9           date.

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

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

15           320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

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

18           (iiii) Safe and Free Florida license plate, \$25.

19           Section 2. Subsection (87) is added to section 320.08058,  
20           Florida Statutes, to read:

21           320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

22           (87) SAFE AND FREE FLORIDA LICENSE PLATES.—

23           (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of  
24           Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223 and s. 45,  
25           chapter 2014-216, Laws of Florida, and s. 320.08053(1), the  
26           department shall develop a Safe and Free Florida license plate  
27           as provided in s. 320.08053(2) and (3) and this section. Safe  
28           and Free Florida license plates must bear the colors and design  
29           approved by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at

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30 the bottom of the plate, and the words "End Human Trafficking"  
31 must appear at the top of the plate.

32 (b) The license plate annual use fees shall be distributed  
33 to The f2F Life Project, Inc., with a report that specifies the  
34 ratio that the annual use fees collected by each county bear to  
35 the total fees collected for the plates within the state. The  
36 f2F Life Project, Inc., may retain all revenue from the annual  
37 use fees until all startup costs for developing and establishing  
38 the plate have been recovered. Thereafter, up to 15 percent of  
39 the annual use fee revenue may be used for administrative costs  
40 and for promotion and marketing of the specialty license plate.  
41 The f2F Life Project, Inc., shall distribute the remaining funds  
42 to nongovernmental, not-for-profit agencies within each county  
43 in this state which assist sexually abused, exploited, or  
44 trafficked victims. Funds may not be distributed to any agency  
45 that charges victims for services received.

46 1. An agency that receives the funds must use the funds:  
47 a. To provide for the material needs of sexually abused,  
48 exploited, or trafficked victims, including, but not limited to,  
49 clothing, housing, medical care, food, utilities, and  
50 transportation.

51 b. For detoxification services.  
52 c. For prenatal and postnatal care and to provide services  
53 for infants awaiting placement with adoptive parents.

54 d. To purchase real estate to facilitate a safe house or a  
55 transitional care or recovery care center.

56 e. For counseling, training, awareness, and prevention  
57 programs and advertising.

58 2. An agency that receives the funds may not use the funds

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59 for administrative or legal expenses or capital expenditures.

60 3. Each year, any unused funds that exceed 10 percent of  
61 the total amount received by an agency must be returned to The  
62 f2F Life Project, Inc., to be redistributed by The f2F Life  
63 Project, Inc., to other qualified agencies.

64 4. Each agency that receives funds from The f2F Life  
65 Project, Inc., must submit an annual attestation to The f2F Life  
66 Project, Inc.

67 5. If no qualified agency applies to receive funds in a  
68 county in any year, that county's share of the funds shall be  
69 distributed pro rata to the qualified agencies that apply and  
70 maintain a place of business within a 100-mile radius of the  
71 county seat of that county. If no qualified agency within the  
72 100-mile radius applies, the funds shall be distributed to other  
73 qualified agencies within the state.

74 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2015.