

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to special license plates; amending
 3 ss. 296.11 and 296.38, F.S.; requiring moneys received
 4 from the sale of Woman Veteran license plates to be
 5 used for certain purposes; amending s. 320.089, F.S.;
 6 providing for a special license plate to be issued to
 7 a recipient of the Bronze Star; revising disposition
 8 of moneys received from the sale of Woman Veteran
 9 license plates; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 296.11, Florida
 14 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (4), and a new subsection
 15 (3) is added to that section to read:

16 296.11 Funds of home and disposition of moneys.—

17 (3) All moneys received pursuant to s. 320.089 from the
 18 sale of Woman Veteran license plates shall be deposited into the
 19 Grants and Donations Trust Fund. All such moneys must be
 20 expended solely for the purpose of creating and implementing
 21 programs to benefit women veterans.

22 Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 296.38, Florida
 23 Statutes, is amended to read:

24 296.38 Funds of home and disposition of moneys.—

25 (2) (a) The home shall be empowered to receive and accept
 26 gifts, grants, and endowments in the name of the home. All such

27 | gifts, grants, and endowments are to be used for the benefit of
 28 | the home and its residents. The administrator, together with the
 29 | director, shall have the authority to determine how these gifts,
 30 | grants, and endowments could best benefit the home and its
 31 | residents unless the benefactor requests or instructs that the
 32 | gift, grant, or endowment be used for a specific purpose. The
 33 | home shall deposit all moneys received pursuant to this
 34 | subsection into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund. Except as
 35 | provided in paragraph (b), moneys in the Grants and Donations
 36 | Trust Fund shall be expended for the common benefit of the
 37 | residents of the home, such as recreational equipment, improved
 38 | facilities, recreational supplies, and goods and services
 39 | offered or available to all residents.

40 | (b) All moneys received pursuant to s. 320.089 from the
 41 | sale of Woman Veteran license plates shall be deposited into the
 42 | Grants and Donations Trust Fund. All such moneys must be
 43 | expended solely for the purpose of creating and implementing
 44 | programs to benefit women veterans.

45 | Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 320.089, Florida
 46 | Statutes, is amended to read:

47 | ~~320.089 Veterans of the United States Armed Forces;~~
 48 | ~~members of National Guard; survivors of Pearl Harbor; Purple~~
 49 | ~~Heart medal recipients; active or retired United States Armed~~
 50 | ~~Forces reservists; Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical Badge,~~
 51 | ~~or Combat Action Badge recipients; Combat Action Ribbon~~
 52 | ~~recipients; Air Force Combat Action Medal recipients;~~

53 ~~Distinguished Flying Cross recipients; former prisoners of war;~~
 54 ~~Korean War Veterans; Vietnam War Veterans; Operation Desert~~
 55 ~~Shield Veterans; Operation Desert Storm Veterans; Operation~~
 56 ~~Enduring Freedom Veterans; Operation Iraqi Freedom Veterans;~~
 57 ~~Women Veterans; World War II Veterans; and Navy Submariners;~~
 58 Special license plates for military service members, veterans,
 59 and Pearl Harbor Survivors; ~~fee.-~~

60 (1) (a) Upon application to the department and payment of
 61 the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, a
 62 resident of the state who owns or leases ~~Each owner or lessee of~~
 63 ~~an automobile or truck for private use or recreational vehicle~~
 64 ~~as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d), which is not used for~~
 65 ~~hire or commercial use, shall be issued a license plate pursuant~~
 66 to the following if the applicant provides the department with
 67 proof he or she meets the qualifications listed in this section
 68 for the applicable license plate:

69 1. A person released or discharged from any branch ~~who is~~
 70 ~~a resident of the state and a veteran of the United States Armed~~
 71 ~~Forces shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term~~
 72 "Veteran" or, a "Woman Veteran" followed by the serial number of
 73 the license plate.

74 2. A World War II Veteran shall be issued a license plate
 75 stamped with the term "WWII Veteran" followed by the serial
 76 number of the license plate.

77 4. A Navy Submariner shall be issued a license plate
 78 stamped with the term "Navy Submariner" followed by the serial

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79 number of the license plate.

80 5. An active or retired member of the Florida National
81 Guard shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term
82 "National Guard" followed by the serial number of the license
83 plate.

84 6. A member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association or
85 other person on active military duty in Pearl Harbor on December
86 7, 1941, shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term
87 "Pearl Harbor Survivor" followed by the serial number of the
88 license plate. ~~, a survivor of the attack on Pearl Harbor,~~

89 7. A recipient of the Purple Heart medal shall be issued a
90 license plate stamped with the term "Combat-wounded Veteran"
91 followed by the serial number of the license plate. The Purple
92 Heart plate may have the term "Purple Heart" stamped on the
93 plate and the likeness of the Purple Heart medal appearing on
94 the plate.

95 8. An active or retired member of any branch of the United
96 States Armed Forces Reserve shall be issued a license plate
97 stamped with the term "U.S. Reserve" followed by the serial
98 number of the license plate.

99 9. A member of the Combat Infantrymen's Association, Inc.,
100 or a recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge, Combat Medical
101 Badge, Combat Action Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, or Air Force
102 Combat Action Medal shall be issued a license plate stamped with
103 the term "Combat Infantry Badge," "Combat Medical Badge,"
104 "Combat Action Badge," "Combat Action Ribbon," or "Air Force

105 Combat Action Medal," as appropriate, and a likeness of the
 106 related campaign medal or badge, followed by the serial number
 107 of the license plate.

108 10. A recipient of the,~~or~~ Distinguished Flying Cross
 109 shall be issued a license plate stamped with the term
 110 "Distinguished Flying Cross" and a likeness of the Distinguished
 111 Flying Cross followed by the serial number of the license plate.

112 11. A recipient of the Bronze Star shall be issued a
 113 license plate stamped with the term "Bronze Star" and a likeness
 114 of the Bronze Star followed by the serial number of the license
 115 plate., ~~upon application to the department, accompanied by proof~~
 116 ~~of release or discharge from any branch of the United States~~
 117 ~~Armed Forces, proof of active membership or retired status in~~
 118 ~~the Florida National Guard, proof of membership in the Pearl~~
 119 ~~Harbor Survivors Association or proof of active military duty in~~
 120 ~~Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, proof of being a Purple Heart~~
 121 ~~medal recipient, proof of active or retired membership in any~~
 122 ~~branch of the United States Armed Forces Reserve, or proof of~~
 123 ~~membership in the Combat Infantrymen's Association, Inc., proof~~
 124 ~~of being a recipient of the Combat Infantry Badge, Combat~~
 125 ~~Medical Badge, Combat Action Badge, Combat Action Ribbon, Air~~
 126 ~~Force Combat Action Medal, or Distinguished Flying Cross, and~~
 127 ~~upon payment of the license tax for the vehicle as provided in~~
 128 ~~s. 320.08, shall be issued a license plate as provided by s.~~
 129 ~~320.06 which, in lieu of the serial numbers prescribed by s.~~
 130 ~~320.06, is stamped with the words "Veteran," "Woman Veteran,"~~

131 ~~"WWII Veteran," "Navy Submariner," "National Guard," "Pearl~~
132 ~~Harbor Survivor," "Combat wounded veteran," "U.S. Reserve,"~~
133 ~~"Combat Infantry Badge," "Combat Medical Badge," "Combat Action~~
134 ~~Badge," "Combat Action Ribbon," "Air Force Combat Action Medal,"~~
135 ~~or "Distinguished Flying Cross," as appropriate, and a likeness~~
136 ~~of the related campaign medal or badge, followed by the serial~~
137 ~~number of the license plate. Additionally, the Purple Heart~~
138 ~~plate may have the words "Purple Heart" stamped on the plate and~~
139 ~~the likeness of the Purple Heart medal appearing on the plate.~~

140 (b) Notwithstanding any ~~other provision of law to the~~
141 ~~contrary, beginning with fiscal year 2002-2003 and annually~~
142 ~~thereafter,~~ the first \$100,000 in general revenue generated from
143 the sale of license plates issued under this section shall be
144 deposited into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund, as described
145 in s. 296.38(2), to be used for the purposes established by law
146 for that trust fund. Any additional general revenue generated
147 from the sale of such plates shall be deposited into the State
148 Homes for Veterans Trust Fund and used solely to construct,
149 operate, and maintain domiciliary and nursing homes for
150 veterans, subject to the requirements of chapter 216.

151 (c) Any revenue generated from the sale of Woman Veteran
152 license plates must be deposited into the Grants and Donations
153 ~~Operations and Maintenance~~ Trust Fund administered by the
154 Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to s. 20.375(2)
155 ~~20.375(3)~~ and must be used solely for the purpose of creating
156 and implementing programs to benefit women veterans.

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157 (d) Notwithstanding any ~~provisions of~~ law to the contrary,
158 an applicant for a Pearl Harbor Survivor license plate or a
159 Purple Heart license plate who also qualifies for a disabled
160 veteran's license plate under s. 320.084 shall be issued the
161 appropriate special license plate without payment of the license
162 tax imposed by s. 320.08.

163 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.