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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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12/03/2015	.	
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The Committee on Transportation (Bullard) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 73 - 180

and insert:

license plates must be deposited into the Grants and Donations Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund administered by the Department of Veterans' Affairs pursuant to s. 20.375(2) ~~s. 20.375(3)~~ and must be used solely for the purpose of creating and implementing programs to benefit women veterans.

Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, an



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11 applicant for a Pearl Harbor Survivor license plate or a Purple  
12 Heart license plate who also qualifies for a disabled veteran's  
13 license plate under s. 320.084 shall be issued the appropriate  
14 special license plate without payment of the license tax imposed  
15 by s. 320.08.

16 (2) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for  
17 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a  
18 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d),  
19 which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident  
20 of this state and who is a former prisoner of war, or his or her  
21 unremarried surviving spouse, upon application to the  
22 department, shall be issued a license plate as provided in s.  
23 320.06, stamped with the words "Ex-POW" followed by the serial  
24 number. Each application shall be accompanied by proof that the  
25 applicant meets the qualifications specified in paragraph (a) or  
26 paragraph (b).

27 (a) A citizen of the United States who served as a member  
28 of the Armed Forces of the United States or the armed forces of  
29 a nation allied with the United States who was held as a  
30 prisoner of war at such time as the Armed Forces of the United  
31 States were engaged in combat, or his or her unremarried  
32 surviving spouse, may be issued the special license plate  
33 provided for in this subsection without payment of the license  
34 tax imposed by s. 320.08.

35 (b) A person who was serving as a civilian with the consent  
36 of the United States Government, or a person who was a member of  
37 the Armed Forces of the United States while he or she was not a  
38 United States citizen and was held as a prisoner of war when the  
39 Armed Forces of the United States were engaged in combat, or his



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40 or her unremarried surviving spouse, may be issued the special  
41 license plate provided for in this subsection upon payment of  
42 the license tax imposed by s. 320.08.

43 (3) Each owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for  
44 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a  
45 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d),  
46 which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident  
47 of this state and who is the unremarried surviving spouse of a  
48 recipient of the Purple Heart medal, upon application to the  
49 department accompanied by the payment of the required fees,  
50 shall be issued a license plate as provided in s. 320.06 which  
51 is stamped with the words "Purple Heart" and the likeness of the  
52 Purple Heart medal followed by the serial number. Each  
53 application shall be accompanied by proof that the applicant is  
54 the unremarried surviving spouse of a recipient of the Purple  
55 Heart medal.

56 (4) The owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for  
57 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a  
58 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d)  
59 which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident  
60 of this state and a current or former member of the United  
61 States Armed Forces who was deployed and served in Korea during  
62 the Korean War as defined in s. 1.01(14), upon application to  
63 the department accompanied by proof of active membership or  
64 former active duty status during the Korean War and payment of  
65 the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, shall  
66 be issued a license plate as provided by s. 320.06 which, in  
67 lieu of the registration license number prescribed by s. 320.06,  
68 is stamped with the words "Korean War Veteran" and a likeness of



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69 the Korean Service Medal, followed by the registration license  
70 number of the plate. Proof that the applicant was awarded the  
71 Korean Service Medal is sufficient to establish eligibility for  
72 the license plate.

73 (5) The owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for  
74 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a  
75 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d)  
76 which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident  
77 of this state and a current or former member of the United  
78 States military who was deployed and served in Vietnam during  
79 United States military deployment in Indochina, upon application  
80 to the department accompanied by proof of active membership or  
81 former active duty status during these operations and payment of  
82 the license tax for the vehicle as provided in s. 320.08, shall  
83 be issued a license plate as provided by s. 320.06 which, in  
84 lieu of the registration license number prescribed by s. 320.06,  
85 is stamped with the words "Vietnam War Veteran" and a likeness  
86 of the Vietnam Service Medal, followed by the registration  
87 license number of the plate. Proof that the applicant was  
88 awarded the Vietnam Service Medal is sufficient to establish  
89 eligibility for the license plate.

90 (6) The owner or lessee of an automobile or truck for  
91 private use, a truck weighing not more than 7,999 pounds, or a  
92 recreational vehicle as specified in s. 320.08(9)(c) or (d)  
93 which is not used for hire or commercial use who is a resident  
94 of this state and a current or former member of the United  
95 States military who was deployed and served in Saudi Arabia,  
96 Kuwait, or another area of the Persian Gulf during Operation  
97 Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm; in Afghanistan during



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98 Operation Enduring Freedom; or in Iraq during Operation Iraqi  
99 Freedom, upon application to the department accompanied by proof  
100 of active membership or former active duty status during one of  
101 these operations and payment of the license tax for the vehicle  
102 as provided in s. 320.08, shall be issued a license plate as  
103 provided by s. 320.06 which, in lieu of the registration license  
104 number prescribed by s. 320.06, is stamped with the words  
105 "Operation Desert Shield," "Operation Desert Storm," "Operation  
106 Enduring Freedom," or "Operation Iraqi Freedom," as appropriate,  
107 and a likeness of the related campaign medal followed by the  
108 registration license number of the plate. Proof that the  
109 applicant was awarded the Southwest Asia Service Medal, Iraq  
110 Campaign Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, or Global War on  
111 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal is sufficient to establish  
112 eligibility for the appropriate license plate.

113 Section 2. Present subsection (3) of section 296.11,  
114 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (4), and a new  
115 subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

116 296.11 Funds of home and disposition of moneys.—

117 (3) The home shall deposit all moneys received pursuant to  
118 s. 320.089(1)(c) from the sale of Woman Veteran license plates  
119 into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund. Notwithstanding  
120 subsection (2), all such moneys must be expended solely for the  
121 purpose of creating and implementing programs that benefit women  
122 veterans.

123 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 296.38, Florida  
124 Statutes, is amended to read:

125 296.38 Funds of home and disposition of moneys.—

126 (2) (a) The home may ~~shall be empowered to~~ receive and



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127 accept gifts, grants, and endowments ~~in the name of the home.~~  
128 All such gifts, grants, and endowments shall ~~are to~~ be used for  
129 the benefit of the home and its residents. In the absence of a  
130 specific directive from the benefactor, the administrator and,  
131 ~~together with~~ the director may, ~~shall have the authority to~~  
132 determine how these gifts, grants, and endowments will ~~could~~  
133 best benefit the home and its residents ~~unless the benefactor~~  
134 ~~requests or instructs that the gift, grant, or endowment be used~~  
135 ~~for a specific purpose.~~ The home shall deposit all moneys  
136 received pursuant to this subsection into the Grants and  
137 Donations Trust Fund. Moneys in the Grants and Donations Trust  
138 Fund shall be expended for the common benefit of the residents  
139 of the home, such as recreational equipment and supplies,  
140 improved facilities, ~~recreational supplies,~~ and goods and  
141 services offered or available to all residents.

142 (b) The home shall deposit all moneys received pursuant to  
143 s. 320.089(1)(c) from the sale of Woman Veteran license plates  
144 into the Grants and Donations Trust Fund. Notwithstanding  
145 paragraph (a), all such moneys must be expended solely for the  
146 purpose of creating and implementing programs that benefit women  
147 veterans.

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

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

150 And the title is amended as follows:

151 Delete lines 2 - 4

152 and insert:

153 An act relating to special license plates; amending s.  
154 320.089, F.S.; creating a special license plate for  
155 recipients of the Bronze Star medal; requiring any



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156 revenue generated from the sale of Woman Veteran  
157 license plates to be deposited into the Grants and  
158 Donations Trust Fund, instead of the Operations and  
159 Maintenance Trust Fund; conforming a cross-reference;  
160 amending ss. 296.11 and 296.38, F.S.; requiring  
161 certain homes to deposit all moneys received from the  
162 sale of Woman Veteran license plates into the Grants  
163 and Donations Trust Fund; requiring that such moneys  
164 be expended for certain purposes;