

By Senator Thompson

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to the Divine Nine specialty license  
3       plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; defining the term  
4       "immediate relative"; revising eligibility  
5       requirements for a Divine Nine license plate;  
6       providing an effective date.

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

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10       Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (101) of section  
11       320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12       320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

13       (101) DIVINE NINE LICENSE PLATES.—

14       (c)1. As used in this subsection, the term "immediate  
15 relative" means a spouse, domestic partner, or child.

16       2. To be eligible for issuance of a Divine Nine license  
17       plate representing an organization listed in sub-subparagraphs  
18       (b)3.a.-i., a person must be a resident of this state who is the  
19       registered owner or lessee of a motor vehicle and who either is  
20       a member or whose immediate relative is a member of the  
21       applicable organization. The person must ~~also~~ present all of the  
22 following:

23       a. Proof of membership of the person or the person's  
24 immediate relative in the organization, which may be established  
25       by:

26       (I)~~a.~~ A card distributed by the organization indicating the  
27       person's membership or the membership of the person's immediate  
28 relative in the organization; or

29       (II)~~b.~~ A written letter on the organization's letterhead

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30 which is signed by the organization's national president or his  
31 or her designated official and which states that the person or  
32 the person's immediate relative was inducted into the  
33 organization.

34 b. If the person is a lessee of a motor vehicle, a lease  
35 agreement and the vehicle identification number (VIN) for the  
36 motor vehicle that is being leased.

37 c. If the person is an immediate relative of the member of  
38 the organization, a marriage license, domestic partnership  
39 agreement, birth certificate, or record of adoption.

40 3.2. Proof of membership in an organization listed in sub-  
41 subparagraphs (b)3.a.-i. is required only for initial issuance  
42 of a Divine Nine license plate. A person need not present such  
43 proof for renewal of the license plate.

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45 License plates created pursuant to this subsection shall have  
46 their plate sales combined for the purpose of meeting the  
47 minimum license plate sales threshold in s. 320.08056(8)(a) and  
48 for determining the license plate limit in s. 320.08053(3)(b).  
49 License plates created pursuant to this subsection must be  
50 ordered directly from the department.

51 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.