



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development (Gruters) recommended the following:

1                   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

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3                   Delete line 33

4 and insert:

5                   (137) REPUBLICAN PARTY OF FLORIDA AND FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC  
6 PARTY LICENSE PLATES.—

7                   (a) Notwithstanding the presale voucher requirements in s.  
8 320.08053(2) (b) and the limitation on the number of specialty  
9 license plates that may be issued by the department under s.  
10 320.08053(3) (b), the department shall develop a Republican Party



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11 of Florida license plate and a Florida Democratic Party license  
12 plate. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the plates,  
13 and the words "I VOTE" must appear at the bottom of the plates.  
14 The plates must bear the colors and designs approved by the  
15 department. The official logo of the Republican Party of Florida  
16 or the Florida Democratic Party, as provided by the respective  
17 political party, must appear in the center of the plates, as  
18 applicable.

19 (b) Upon application, the department shall issue a  
20 Republican Party of Florida or Florida Democratic Party license  
21 plate, as applicable, to a person who meets all of the following  
22 requirements:

23 1. The person is the owner or lessee of a motor vehicle  
24 that is not used for hire or commercial use.

25 2. The person provides payment of the applicable license  
26 tax and fees with his or her personal funds.

27 3. The person certifies to the department that he or she  
28 is:

- 29 a. A United States citizen;
- 30 b. A registered voter in this state; and
- 31 c. Not a Federal Government contractor.

32 (c) The annual use fees from the sale of the Republican  
33 Party of Florida license plate shall be distributed to the  
34 Republican Party of Florida, and the annual use fees from the  
35 sale of the Florida Democratic Party license plate shall be  
36 distributed to the Florida Democratic Party.

37 (d) A political party receiving annual use fees under this  
38 subsection:

- 39 1. Must create a separate account for the deposit of such



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40 fees, but may transfer funds from that account to other accounts  
41 of the political party in accordance with state and federal law.

42 2. May use up to 25 percent of such fees for administrative  
43 and compliance costs associated with the plate and for marketing  
44 and promotion of the plate, which may not identify any candidate  
45 for federal, state, district, county, or municipal office. The  
46 balance of such fees may be used for any of the following  
47 purposes:

48 a. To defray political party administrative costs,  
49 including, but not limited to, building maintenance, staff  
50 salaries, legal fees, accounting and compliance costs, office  
51 equipment and supplies, postage, and the purchase, lease, or  
52 maintenance of computer hardware and software.

53 b. Voter registration activity.

54 c. Voter identification activity.

55 d. Get-out-the-vote activity.

56 e. Generic campaign activity that promotes or opposes a  
57 political party but does not promote or oppose a clearly  
58 identified candidate for public office.

59 3. May not use such fees to make an allocable contribution  
60 to any candidate for federal, state, district, county, or  
61 municipal office; another political party; or any political  
62 committee.

63 (e) Annual use fees provided to a political party under  
64 this subsection are not a contribution to the political party  
65 under chapter 106.

66 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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



69 And the title is amended as follows:  
70 Delete line 7  
71 and insert:  
72 from the sale of the plate; directing the department  
73 to develop Republican Party of Florida and Florida  
74 Democratic Party license plates; specifying design  
75 requirements for the plates; requiring the department  
76 to issue such plates to persons who meet certain  
77 requirements, upon application; providing for  
78 distribution of fees collected from the sale of the  
79 plates; requiring certain political parties to create  
80 a separate account for deposit of such annual use  
81 fees; authorizing certain uses for such annual use  
82 fees; prohibiting certain uses for such annual use  
83 fees; providing construction; providing an effective