CS/HB 83 — Specialty License Plates

by Roads, Bridges, & Ports Policy Committee, Rep. Crisafulli, and others (SB 170 by Senator Altman)

The bill authorizes the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) to develop and issue a specialty license plate titled "Endless Summer." Drivers can purchase this specialty plate upon payment of the appropriate license taxes and fees and a \$25 annual use fee.

Annual use fees shall be distributed to the Surfing's Evolution & Preservation Corporation, which may use 10% of the proceeds to fund the administrative, promotion, and marketing costs of the license plate program; remaining proceeds may be used to fund the proposed Surfing's Evolution & Preservation Experience project; provide funds to the provision of lifeguards or the building of artificial reefs; provide funds to organizations that house the history and artifacts of surfing or promote the sport through exhibits, lectures, and events; and to support programs and events of other organizations that support beaches and oceans and promote education on beach safety, coastal pollution, and beach ecology.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect October 1, 2010. *Vote: Senate 37-2; House 116-0*