

Senate Bill No. 94-B

An act relating to license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; creating an American Red Cross license plate; creating a United We Stand license plate; providing for the distribution of annual use fees received from the sale of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (ff) and (gg) are added to subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

(4) The following license plate annual use fees shall be collected for the appropriate specialty license plates:

(ff) American Red Cross license plate, \$25.

(gg) United We Stand license plate, \$25.

Section 2. Subsections (32) and (33) are added to section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

(32) AMERICAN RED CROSS LICENSE PLATES.—

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 320.08053, the department shall develop an American Red Cross license plate as provided in this section. The word “Florida” must appear at the top of the plate, and the words “American Red Cross” must appear at the bottom of the plate.

(b) The department shall retain all revenues from the sale of such plates until all start-up costs for developing and issuing the plates have been recovered. Thereafter, 50 percent of the annual use fees shall be distributed to the American Red Cross Chapter of Central Florida, with statistics on sales of license plates, which are tabulated by county. The American Red Cross Chapter of Central Florida must distribute to each of the chapters in this state the moneys received from sales in the counties covered by the respective chapters, which moneys must be used for education and disaster relief in Florida. Fifty percent of the annual use fees shall be distributed proportionately to the three statewide approved poison control centers for purposes of combating bio-terrorism and other poison-related purposes.

(33) UNITED WE STAND LICENSE PLATES.—

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 320.08053, the department shall develop a United We Stand license plate as provided in this section. The American Flag must appear on the license plate in addition to the words

“United We Stand.” The colors of the license plate must be red, white, and blue.

(b) The department shall retain all revenues from the sale of such plates until all start-up costs for developing and issuing the plates have been recovered. Thereafter, 50 percent of the annual use fee shall be distributed to the Department of Transportation to fund a grant program to enhance security at airports throughout the state and 50 percent of such fees shall be distributed to the Rewards for Justice Fund, to be contributed to the United States State Department’s Rewards for Justice program and used solely to apprehend terrorists and bring them to justice.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002, but it shall not take effect unless it is enacted by at least a three-fifths vote of the membership of each house of the Legislature.

Approved by the Governor November 30, 2001.

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