

House Bill No. 1155

An act relating to specialty license plates; amending ss. 320.08056, 320.08058, F.S.; renaming the Challenger license plate as the Challenger/Columbia license plate; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

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

(b) Challenger/Columbia ~~Challenger~~ license plate, \$25, except that a person that purchases 1,000 or more of such ~~Challenger~~ license plates shall pay an annual use fee of \$15 per plate.

Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (2) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

(2) CHALLENGER/COLUMBIA ~~CHALLENGER~~ LICENSE PLATES.—

(a) The department shall develop a Challenger/Columbia ~~Challenger~~ license plate to commemorate the seven astronauts who died when the space shuttle Challenger exploded on liftoff in 1986 and the seven astronauts who died when the Columbia exploded on reentry in 2003. The word “Florida” shall appear at the top of the plate, and the words “Challenger/Columbia” word “Challenger” must appear at the bottom of the plate, ~~both words~~ in small letters.

(b) Fifty percent of the Challenger/Columbia ~~Challenger~~ license plate annual use fee must be distributed to the Astronauts Memorial Foundation, Inc., to support the operations of the Center for Space Education and the Education Technology Institute. Funds received by the Astronauts Memorial Foundation, Inc., may be used for administrative costs directly associated with the operation of the center and the institute. These funds must be used for the maintenance and support of the operations of the Center for Space Education and the Education Technology Institute operated by the Astronauts Memorial Foundation, Inc. These operations must include pre-service and inservice training in the use of technology for the state’s instructional personnel in a manner consistent with state training programs and approved by the Department of Education. Up to 20 percent of funds received by the Center for Space Education and the Education Technology Institute may be expended for administrative costs directly associated with the operation of the center and the institute.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

Approved by the Governor May 21, 2003.

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