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SENATE BILL 1210  
Finance Committee Substitute Adopted 6/5/00

Short Title: Special Registration Plates.

(Public)

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Sponsors:

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Referred to:

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May 11, 2000

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE  
2 SUPPORT PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, DUCKS  
3 UNLIMITED SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, OMEGA PSI PHI  
4 FRATERNITY SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, AND TOBACCO  
5 HERITAGE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES; TO CREATE THE FUND FOR  
6 THE REDUCTION OF CLASS SIZE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND TO REMOVE  
7 THE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE ACCOUNT FEE FROM THE LEGION  
8 OF VALOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL  
9 OF HONOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, 100% DISABLED VETERAN  
10 SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES, AND EX-PRISONER OF WAR SPECIAL  
11 REGISTRATION PLATES.  
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13 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

14 Section 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b)(13a) is recodified as G.S. 20-79.4(b)(13b).

15 Section 2. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding the following new  
16 subdivisions to read:

17 "(b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration  
18 plates:

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1           (13a) Ducks Unlimited. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle  
 2           in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the logo of  
 3           Ducks Unlimited, Inc., and shall bear the words: 'Ducks Unlimited'.

4           ...  
 5           (29a) Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor  
 6           vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the  
 7           fraternity's symbol and name.

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 9           (45a) Support Public Schools. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor  
 10           vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear a picture  
 11           representing an old-time one-room schoolhouse and shall bear the  
 12           words: 'Support Our Public Schools'.

13           (45b) Tobacco Heritage. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle.  
 14           The plate shall bear a picture of a tobacco leaf and plow. The Division  
 15           may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives  
 16           at least 300 applications for the plate."

17           Section 3. G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

18           "(a)       Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of  
 19 charge one registration plate to a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, a 100%  
 20 disabled veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war. All other special registration ~~plates~~plates,  
 21 including additional Congressional Medal of Honor, 100% Disabled Veteran, and Ex-  
 22 Prisoner of War plates, are subject to the regular motor vehicle registration fee in G.S.  
 23 20-87 or G.S. 20-88 plus an additional fee in the following amount:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
Historical Attraction	\$30.00
State Attraction	\$30.00
Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
Kids First	\$25.00
Olympic Games	\$25.00
Special Olympics	\$25.00
University Health Systems of	
Eastern Carolina	\$25.00
Animal Lovers	\$20.00
<u>Ducks Unlimited</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
March of Dimes	\$20.00
<u>Omega Psi Phi Fraternity</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
School Technology	\$20.00
Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
<u>Support Public Schools</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
Personalized	\$20.00
Active Member of the National Guard	None

1	<u>Congressional Medal of Honor</u>	<u>None</u>
2	<u>100% Disabled Veteran</u>	<u>None</u>
3	<u>Ex-Prisoner of War</u>	<u>None</u>
4	<u>Legion of Valor</u>	<u>None</u>
5	Purple Heart Recipient	None
6	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

7 Section 4. G.S. 20-79.7(b) reads as rewritten:

8 "(b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the  
 9 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway  
 10 Fund. The Division must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration  
 11 plates listed in subsection (a) among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the  
 12 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), and the Natural Heritage  
 13 Trust Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, as follows:

14	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>
15	Animal Lovers	\$10	\$10	0
16	Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
17	In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0
18	Kids First	\$10	\$15	0
19	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15
20	Personalized	\$10	0	\$10
21	Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0
22	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0
23	State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
24	<u>Ducks Unlimited</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>
25	March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0
26	<u>Omega Psi Phi Fraternity</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>
27	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0
28	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0
29	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0
30	<u>Support Public Schools</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>
31	University Health Systems of			
32	Eastern Carolina	\$10	\$15	0
33	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0
34	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0".

35 Section 5. G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding the following new subsections  
 36 to read:

37 "(b12) Support Public Schools Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more  
 38 applications for a Support Public Schools plate before the plate may be developed. The  
 39 Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate  
 40 Account derived from the sale of Support Public Schools plates to the Fund for the  
 41 Reduction of Class Size in Public Schools created pursuant to G.S. 115C-472.10.

42 (b13) Ducks Unlimited Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications  
 43 for a Ducks Unlimited plate and receive any necessary licenses from Ducks Unlimited,

1 Inc., for use of their logo before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer  
2 quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from  
3 the sale of Ducks Unlimited plates to the Wildlife Resources Commission to be used to  
4 support the conservation programs of Ducks Unlimited, Inc., in this State.

5 (b14) Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more  
6 applications for an Omega Psi Phi Fraternity plate and receive any necessary licenses,  
7 without charge, from Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, before the plate may be  
8 developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural  
9 Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity plates to the  
10 United Negro College Fund, Inc., through the Winston-Salem Area Office for the benefit  
11 of UNCF colleges in this State."

12 Section 6. Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new  
13 Article to read:

14 **"ARTICLE 32C.**

15 **"FUND FOR THE REDUCTION OF CLASS SIZE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

16 **"§ 115C-472.10. Establishment of the Fund for the Reduction of Class Size in Public**  
17 **Schools.**

18 (a) There is established under the control and direction of the State Board of  
19 Education the Fund for the Reduction of Class Size in Public Schools. This fund shall be  
20 a nonreverting special revenue fund consisting of moneys credited to it under G.S. 20-  
21 81.12(b12) from the sale of special registration plates to support the public schools.

22 (b) The State Board of Education shall allocate funds in the Fund for the  
23 Reduction of Class Size in Public Schools to local school administrative units to reduce  
24 class size in public schools."

25 Section 7. This act is effective when it becomes law.