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An act relating to issuance of specialty license plates; amending s. 320.08053, F.S.; revising presale requirements for issuance of a specialty plate; amending s. 320.08056, F.S.; revising conditions for discontinuing issuance of a specialty plate; providing effective dates.

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

Section 1. Section 320.08053, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08053 <u>Establishment of Requirements for requests to establish</u> specialty license plates.—

- (1) If a specialty license plate requested by an organization is approved by law, the organization must submit the proposed art design for the specialty license plate to the department, in a medium prescribed by the department, as soon as practicable, but no later than 60 days after the act approving the specialty license plate becomes a law.
- (2) (a) Within 120 days following the specialty license plate becoming law, the department shall establish a method to issue a specialty license plate voucher to allow for the presale of the specialty license plate. The processing fee as prescribed in s. 320.08056, the service charge and branch fee as prescribed in s. 320.04, and the annual use fee as prescribed in s. 320.08056 shall be charged for the voucher. All other applicable fees shall be charged at the time of issuance of the license plates.
- (b) Within 24 months after the presale specialty license plate voucher is established, the approved specialty license plate organization must record with the department a minimum of

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4,000 1,000 voucher sales before manufacture of the license plate may begin commence. If, at the conclusion of the 24-month presale period, the minimum sales requirement has requirements have not been met, the specialty plate is deauthorized and the department shall discontinue development of the plate and discontinue issuance of the presale vouchers. Upon deauthorization of the license plate, a purchaser of the license plate voucher may use the annual use fee collected as a credit towards any other specialty license plate or apply for a refund on a form prescribed by the department.

Section 2. Effective July 1, 2018, paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08056 Specialty license plates.

(8) (a) The department must discontinue the issuance of an approved specialty license plate if the number of valid specialty plate registrations falls below  $4,000 \ 1,000 \ plates$  for at least 12 consecutive months. A warning letter shall be mailed to the sponsoring organization following the first month in which the total number of valid specialty plate registrations is below  $4,000 \ 1,000 \ plates$ . This paragraph does not apply to collegiate license plates established under s. 320.08058(3).

Section 3. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2016.