House



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate . Comm: RCS 01/25/2016

The Committee on Commerce and Tourism (Latvala) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 2217 - 2285

and insert:

5 Committee and the Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., are nonprofit organizations dedicated to providing 6 7 athletes with support and training and preparing athletes of all ages and skill levels for sports competition, and because the 8 9 Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., assists in the bidding for sports competitions that provide significant

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11 impact to the economy of this state, and the Legislature 12 supports the efforts of the United States Olympic Committee and 13 the Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., the 14 Legislature establishes a Florida United States Olympic 15 Committee license plate for the purpose of providing a 16 continuous funding source to support this worthwhile effort. 17 Florida United States Olympic Committee license plates must 18 contain the official United States Olympic Committee logo and 19 must bear a design and colors that are approved by the 20 department. The word "Florida" must be centered at the top of 21 the plate.

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(9) FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAM LICENSE PLATES.-

(b) The license plate annual use fees are to be annually distributed as follows:

25 1. Fifty-five percent of the proceeds from the Florida 26 Professional Sports Team plate must be deposited into the 27 Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Department 28 of Economic Opportunity. These funds must be used solely to 29 attract and support major sports events in this state. As used 30 in this subparagraph, the term "major sports events" means, but 31 is not limited to, championship or all-star contests of Major 32 League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the 33 National Football League, the National Hockey League, Major 34 League Soccer, the men's and women's National Collegiate 35 Athletic Association championships Final Four basketball 36 championship, or a horseracing or dogracing Breeders' Cup. All 37 funds must be used to support and promote major sporting events, 38 and the uses must be approved by the Department of Economic 39 Opportunity.

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40 2. The remaining proceeds of the Florida Professional Sports Team license plate must be allocated to the Florida 41 42 Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc. These funds must be 43 deposited into the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund within the Department of Economic Opportunity. These funds must 44 45 be used by the Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., to promote the economic development of the sports 46 47 industry; to distribute licensing and royalty fees to 48 participating professional sports teams; to promote education 49 programs in Florida schools that provide an awareness of the benefits of physical activity and nutrition standards; to 50 51 partner with the Department of Education and the Department of 52 Health to develop a program that recognizes schools whose 53 students demonstrate excellent physical fitness or fitness 54 improvement; to institute a grant program for communities 55 bidding on minor sporting events that create an economic impact 56 for the state; to distribute funds to Florida-based charities 57 designated by the Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., and the participating professional sports teams; and to 58 59 fulfill the sports promotion responsibilities of the Department 60 of Economic Opportunity.

3. The Florida Sports Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., 61 62 shall provide an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 63 215.981 of its financial accounts and records by an independent 64 certified public accountant pursuant to the contract established 65 by the Department of Economic Opportunity as specified in s. 66 288.1229(5). The auditor shall submit the audit report to the 67 Department of Economic Opportunity for review and approval. If the audit report is approved, the Department of Economic 68

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| 69 | Opportunity shall certify the audit report to the Auditor |
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| 70 | General for review. |
| 71 | 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraphs 1. and |
| 72 | 2., proceeds from the Professional Sports Development Trust Fund |
| 73 | may also be used for operational expenses of the Florida Sports |
| 74 | Foundation Enterprise Florida, Inc., and financial support of |
| 75 | the Sunshine State Games and Florida Senior Games. |
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| 79 | And the title is amended as follows: |
| 80 | Delete lines 164 - 166 |
| 81 | and insert: |
| 82 | defense-dependent community; amending s. 320.08058, |
| 83 | F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the |
| 84 | act; amending uses of the proceeds of the Florida |
| 85 | Professional Sports Team license plate; amending s. |
| 86 | 477.0135, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made |
| 87 | by the act; providing effective dates. |
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