

SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based only on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

BILL: SB 816

SPONSOR: Senator Saunders

SUBJECT: Motor Vehicle Registration

DATE: March 4, 1999 REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Caridi</u>	<u>Meyer</u>	<u>TR</u>	<u>Favorable</u>
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I. Summary:

This bill would add the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Inc., to the organizations appearing as voluntary contribution checkoffs on the application form for motor vehicle registrations and renewals of registration. The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is directed to transfer the contributions to the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Inc., on a monthly basis.

This bill substantially amends section 320.02, of the Florida Statutes.

II. Present Situation:

A checkoff for a voluntary contribution to the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving Inc., is currently not authorized. Florida law requires specific authorization for a voluntary contribution checkoff on the application for motor vehicle registration.

Section 320.02, F. S., currently authorizes checkoffs for voluntary contributions appearing on the motor vehicle registration and renewal application forms for the following organizations in the following amounts:

- ▶ \$1 per applicant for the Nongame Wildlife Trust Fund
- ▶ \$5 per applicant for the Election Campaign Financing Trust Fund
- ▶ \$1 per applicant for the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund
- ▶ \$1 per applicant for the Prevent Blindness Florida, Not For-Profit Organization

Section 320.023, Florida Statutes, enacted by the 1998 Florida Legislature, provides guidelines for requests to establish voluntary checkoffs on motor vehicle registration applications. According to the department, the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving have not met these following guidelines:

- (1) A request for the particular voluntary contribution being sought, describing the proposed voluntary contribution in general terms.
- (2) An application fee, not to exceed \$10,000 to defray the department's cost for reviewing the application and developing the voluntary contribution checkoff, if authorized. State funds may not be used to pay the application fee.
- (3) A marketing strategy outlining short-term and long-term marketing plans for the requested voluntary contribution and a financial analysis outlining the anticipated revenues and the planned expenditures of the revenues to be derived from the voluntary contribution.

Voluntary contributions may not be used for commercial or for-profit activities, nor for general or administrative expenses, except as authorized by law or to pay the cost of an audit or report required by law. Any voluntary contributions authorized by law shall only be distributed under an appropriation by the Legislature.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill allows to include a checkoff on a motor vehicle registration and renewal form for a voluntary contribution to the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Inc. Contributions would be transferred from the department to the Florida Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Inc., on a monthly basis. The amount of contribution is not specified and would be at the selection of the contributing registered motorist.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

Persons wishing to contribute in any amount to The Florida Mothers against Drunk Driving, Inc., would be able to select this organization from a voluntary checkoff on a motor vehicle registration or renewal form.

C. Government Sector Impact:

Because The Florida Mothers against Drunk Driving have not met the guidelines established by the 1998 Legislature, it is impossible to determine a fiscal impact on the department. Should the guidelines be met, the department would receive a \$10,000 application fee in the first year and would expend \$12,500 for 100 hours of contracted software programming at \$125 per hour. These programming expenses and the revenue from the application fee would be non-recurring.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Amendments:

None.