

By Senator Albritton

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to specialty license plates; amending  
3       s. 320.08058, F.S.; directing the Department of  
4       Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to develop a  
5       Guardian Ad Litem license plate; providing for  
6       distribution and use of fees collected from the sale  
7       of such plates; providing a contingent effective date.  
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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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11       Section 1. Subsection (85) is added to section 320.08058,  
12       Florida Statutes, to read:

13       320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

14       (85) GUARDIAN AD LITEM LICENSE PLATES.—

15       (a) The department shall develop a Guardian Ad Litem  
16       license plate as provided in this section and s. 320.08053. The  
17       plate must bear the colors and design approved by the  
18       department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the  
19       plate, and the words "Heartfelt Child Advocacy" must appear at  
20       the bottom of the plate.

21       (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate shall be  
22       distributed to the Florida Guardian Ad Litem Foundation, Inc., a  
23       direct-support organization and a nonprofit corporation under s.  
24       501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Up to 10 percent of the  
25       proceeds may be used for administrative costs and the marketing  
26       of the plate. The remainder of the proceeds must be used in this  
27       state to support the mission and efforts of the Statewide  
28       Guardian Ad Litem Office to represent abused, abandoned, and  
29       neglected children and advocate for their best interests;

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30 recruit and retain volunteer child advocates; and meet the  
31 unique needs of the dependent children the office serves.

32 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2020, but  
33 only if SB \_\_ or similar legislation takes effect, if such  
34 legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an  
35 extension thereof and becomes a law.