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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Brannan offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

5 **Section 1. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section**
6 **320.08053, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4),**
7 **(5), and (6), respectively, subsection (1) is amended, and new**
8 **subsections (2) and (3) are added to that section, to read:**

9 320.08053 Establishment of specialty license plates.—

10 (1) If a specialty license plate requested by an
11 organization is approved by law, the organization must submit
12 ~~the proposed art design for the specialty license plate to the~~

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13 department, as soon as practicable but no later than 60 days
14 after the act approving the specialty license plate becomes a
15 law:

16 (a) The proposed art design for the specialty license
17 plate.

18 (b) A 5-year financial projection that:

19 1. Outlines anticipated revenues and planned expenditures
20 of the revenues to be derived from the sale of the requested
21 specialty license plate.

22 2. Provides a list of administrative expenses that the
23 approved specialty license plate organization anticipates, if
24 such expenses are authorized by s. 320.08058.

25 3. Provides a list of third parties to which the approved
26 specialty license plate organization plans to transfer, convey,
27 or otherwise distribute the specialty license plate annual use
28 fees in a medium prescribed by the department, as soon as
29 practicable, but no later than 60 days after the act approving
30 the specialty license plate becomes a law.

31 (2) If the financial projection required in paragraph
32 (1)(b) is not received by the department from the approved
33 specialty license plate organization within the timeframe
34 specified in subsection (1), then the specialty license plate is
35 deauthorized.

36 (3) By December 31 of each year, the department must
37 submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate,

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38 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives summarizing the
39 financial projections submitted to the department pursuant to
40 paragraph (1)(b). The report must also include the department's
41 notification regarding the status of organizations whose
42 revenues have been withheld as provided in s. 320.08062(2)(d).

43 **Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (10) and subsection**
44 **(12) of section 320.08056, Florida Statutes, are amended to**
45 **read:**

46 320.08056 Specialty license plates.—

47 (10)(a) A specialty license plate annual use fee collected
48 and distributed under this chapter, or any interest earned from
49 those fees, may be distributed to either a domestic corporation
50 as defined in s. 617.01401(4) that has filed its articles of
51 incorporation with the Department of State pursuant to chapter
52 617 or a foreign corporation as defined in s. 617.01401 that has
53 complied with s. 617.1503 and is authorized to conduct its
54 affairs in Florida. Such corporations authorized by law to
55 collect annual use fees from a specialty license plate may not:

56 1. Transfer, convey, or otherwise distribute the annual
57 use fees or any interest earned from those fees to any third
58 party unless the third party is a domestic corporation as
59 defined in s. 617.01401(4) which has filed its articles of
60 incorporation with the Department of State pursuant to chapter
61 617 or a foreign corporation as defined in s. 617.01401 which
62 has complied with s. 617.1503 and is authorized to conduct its

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63 affairs in Florida.

64 2. Use the annual use fees or any interest earned from
65 those fees ~~Be used~~ for commercial or for-profit activities nor
66 for general or administrative expenses, except as authorized by
67 s. 320.08058 or to pay the cost of the audit or report required
68 by s. 320.08062(1).

69 3. Expend the annual use fees or ~~The fees and~~ any interest
70 earned from the fees outside ~~may be expended only for use in~~
71 this state unless the annual use fee is derived from the sale of
72 United States Armed Forces and veterans-related specialty
73 license plates pursuant to paragraph (3)(d) for the Support Our
74 Troops, American Legion, and Honor Flight license plates;
75 paragraphs (4)(b), (q), and (v) for the Florida Salutes
76 Veterans, United States Marine Corps, and Military Services
77 license plates, respectively; and s. 320.0891 for the U.S.
78 Paratrooper license plate.

79 (12) Notwithstanding s. 320.08058(3)(a), the department,
80 in cooperation with the independent colleges or universities as
81 described in s. 1009.89, shall create a standard template
82 specialty license plate with a unique logo or graphic
83 identifying each independent college or university. Each
84 independent college or university may elect to use this standard
85 template specialty license plate in lieu of its own specialty
86 license plate. Annual use fees from the sale of these license
87 plates shall be distributed to the independent college or

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88 university for which the logo or graphic is displayed on the
89 license plate and shall be used as provided in s. 320.08058(3).
90 An independent college or university opting to use the standard
91 template specialty license plate shall have the standard
92 template specialty license plate sales added to the total number
93 of remaining current valid registrations under paragraph (8) (a)
94 for the formerly separate independent college and university
95 license plates which were issued before the independent college
96 or university elected to use the standard template specialty
97 license plate for purposes of the standard template specialty
98 license plate meeting the minimum license plate sales threshold
99 in paragraph (8) (a) and for determining the license plate limit
100 in s. 320.08053(5) (b) ~~s. 320.08053(3) (b)~~. Specialty license
101 plates created pursuant to this subsection must be ordered
102 directly from the department. If the independent college or
103 university elects to use the standard template specialty license
104 plate, the department shall discontinue the existing specialty
105 license plate and, notwithstanding paragraph (8) (c), shall
106 continue to collect the applicable specialty license plate
107 annual use fee under paragraph (3) (d) or subsection (4) for the
108 remainder of the 10-year license plate replacement period for
109 the existing plate being discontinued or being replaced with the
110 standard template specialty license plate.

111 **Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3), subsection**
112 **(67), paragraph (a) of subsection (71), paragraph (a) of**

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113 subsection (72), paragraph (a) of subsection (73), paragraph (a)
114 of subsection (74), paragraph (a) of subsection (75), paragraph
115 (a) of subsection (76), paragraph (a) of subsection (77),
116 paragraph (a) of subsection (78), and paragraph (d) of
117 subsection (101) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, are
118 amended, and subsections (136) through (143) are added to that
119 section, to read:

120 320.08058 Specialty license plates.—

121 (3) COLLEGIATE LICENSE PLATES.—

122 (a) The department shall develop a collegiate license
123 plate as provided in this section for state and independent
124 universities domiciled in this state. However, any collegiate
125 license plate created or established after October 1, 2002, must
126 comply with the requirements of s. 320.08053, other than the
127 presale voucher requirements in s. 320.08053(4)(b) ~~s.~~
128 ~~320.08053(2)(b)~~, and be specifically authorized by an act of the
129 Legislature. Collegiate license plates must bear the colors and
130 design approved by the department as appropriate for each state
131 and independent university. The word "Florida" must be stamped
132 across the bottom of the plate in small letters.

133 (67) FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LICENSE PLATES.—

134 (a) ~~1.~~ The department shall develop a Fraternal Order of
135 Police license plate as provided in this section. The plate must
136 bear the colors and design approved by the department. The word
137 "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words

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138 "Fraternal Order of Police" must appear at the bottom of the
139 plate.

140 ~~2. The department may issue the plate only to an applicant~~
141 ~~who submits a notarized letter from the Florida State Lodge of~~
142 ~~the Fraternal Order of Police stating that the applicant is a~~
143 ~~member of the lodge in good standing or a member of a lodge~~
144 ~~member's family, together with other fees and documents required~~
145 ~~for a specialty plate.~~

146 (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to ~~the~~
147 ~~Florida State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, which~~
148 ~~shall retain all proceeds until the startup costs to develop and~~
149 ~~establish the plate have been recovered. Thereafter, the~~
150 ~~proceeds shall be distributed to the Florida State Lodge~~
151 Fraternal Order of Police Memorial Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit
152 corporation under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code,
153 which shall distribute funds according to its articles of
154 incorporation of the Fraternal Order of Police and used as
155 follows:

156 ~~1. A maximum of 10 percent of the proceeds may be used to~~
157 ~~promote and market the plate, to administer the license plate~~
158 ~~program, and to pay administrative costs directly associated~~
159 ~~with the state Fraternal Order of Police Law Enforcement~~
160 ~~Memorial.~~

161 ~~2. The remaining proceeds shall be used by the foundation~~
162 ~~to fund projects, programs, or events related to the memorial or~~

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163 ~~to fund improvements, maintenance, or other support for the~~
164 ~~memorial.~~

165 (71) FREEMASONRY LICENSE PLATES.—

166 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
167 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
168 the department shall develop a Freemasonry license plate as
169 provided in this section and s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s.~~
170 ~~320.08053(1) and (2)~~. The word "Florida" must appear at the top
171 of the plate, and the words "In God We Trust" must appear at the
172 bottom of the plate.

173 (72) AMERICAN LEGION LICENSE PLATES.—

174 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
175 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
176 the department shall develop an American Legion license plate as
177 provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s. 320.08053(1) and (2)~~ and
178 this section. The plate must bear the colors and design approved
179 by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of
180 the plate, and the words "American Legion" must appear at the
181 bottom of the plate.

182 (73) LAUREN'S KIDS LICENSE PLATES.—

183 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
184 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
185 the department shall develop a Lauren's Kids, Prevent Child
186 Sexual Abuse license plate as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and
187 (4) ~~s. 320.08053(1) and (2)~~ and this section. The plate must

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188 bear the colors and design approved by the department. The word
189 "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words
190 "Lauren's Kids" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

191 (74) BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS LICENSE PLATES.—

192 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
193 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
194 the department shall develop a Big Brothers Big Sisters license
195 plate as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s. 320.08053(1) and~~
196 ~~(2)~~ and this section. The plate must bear the colors and design
197 approved by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at
198 the top of the plate, and the words "Big Brothers Big Sisters"
199 must appear at the bottom of the plate.

200 (75) FALLEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS LICENSE PLATES.—

201 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
202 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
203 the department shall develop a Fallen Law Enforcement Officers
204 license plate as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s.~~
205 ~~320.08053(1) and (2)~~ and this section. The plate must bear the
206 colors and design approved by the department. The word "Florida"
207 must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "A Hero
208 Remembered Never Dies" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

209 (76) FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION LICENSE PLATES.—

210 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
211 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
212 the department shall develop a Florida Sheriffs Association

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213 license plate as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s.~~
214 ~~320.08053(1) and (2)~~ and this section. The plate must bear the
215 colors and design approved by the department. A sheriff's star
216 must appear on the left side of the plate, the word "Florida"
217 must appear at the top of the plate, and the words "Florida
218 Sheriffs Association" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

219 (77) KEISER UNIVERSITY LICENSE PLATES.—

220 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
221 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
222 the department shall develop a Keiser University license plate
223 as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s. 320.08053(1) and (2)~~
224 and this section. The plate must bear the colors and design
225 approved by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at
226 the top of the plate, and the words "Keiser University" must
227 appear at the bottom of the plate.

228 (78) MOFFITT CANCER CENTER LICENSE PLATES.—

229 (a) Notwithstanding s. 45, chapter 2008-176, Laws of
230 Florida, as amended by s. 21, chapter 2010-223, Laws of Florida,
231 the department shall develop a Moffitt Cancer Center license
232 plate as provided in s. 320.08053(1) and (4) ~~s. 320.08053(1) and~~
233 ~~(2)~~ and this section. The word "Florida" must appear at the top
234 of the plate, and the words "Moffitt Cancer Center" must appear
235 at the bottom of the plate.

236 (101) DIVINE NINE LICENSE PLATES.—

237 (d) A Divine Nine license plate:

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238 1. May be personalized.

239 2. May not be transferred between vehicle owners.

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241 License plates created pursuant to this subsection shall have
242 their plate sales combined for the purpose of meeting the
243 minimum license plate sales threshold in s. 320.08056(8)(a) and
244 for determining the license plate limit in s. 320.08053(5)(b) ~~s.~~
245 ~~320.08053(3)(b)~~. License plates created pursuant to this
246 subsection must be ordered directly from the department.

247 (136) MIAMI NORTHWESTERN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LICENSE
248 PLATES.-

249 (a) The department shall develop a Miami Northwestern
250 Alumni Association license plate as provided in this section and
251 s. 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved
252 by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of
253 the plate, and the words "Miami Northwestern Alumni Association"
254 must appear at the bottom of the plate.

255 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
256 distributed to the Miami Northwestern Alumni Association, Inc.,
257 which may use up to 10 percent of the fees for administrative
258 costs and marketing of the plate. The balance of the fees must
259 be used by the Miami Northwestern Alumni Association, Inc., to
260 fund academic programs, athletic programs, and need-based
261 scholarships for the benefit of Miami Northwestern Senior High
262 School students and the Miami Northwestern Senior High School

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263 Performing and Visual Arts Center.

264 (137) CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL LICENSE PLATES.—

265 (a) The department shall develop a Christopher Columbus
266 High School license plate as provided in this section and s.
267 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved by
268 the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
269 plate, and the words "Christopher Columbus High School" must
270 appear at the bottom of the plate.

271 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
272 distributed to Christopher Columbus High School, Inc., which may
273 use up to 10 percent of the fees for administrative costs and
274 marketing of the plate. The balance of the fees must be used by
275 Christopher Columbus High School, Inc., to fund academic
276 programs, athletic programs, and need-based scholarships for the
277 benefit of Christopher Columbus High School students.

278 (138) ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP (UFC) LICENSE
279 PLATES.—

280 (a) The department shall develop an Ultimate Fighting
281 Championship (UFC) license plate as provided in this section and
282 s. 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved
283 by the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of
284 the plate, and the words "UFC Lives Here" must appear at the
285 bottom of the plate.

286 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
287 distributed to the UFC Foundation, a nonprofit corporation under

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288 s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, which may use up to
289 10 percent of the proceeds to promote and market the plate. The
290 UFC Foundation shall use the remainder of the proceeds to
291 support charities and nonprofits in this state which align with
292 the foundation's mission and goals, such as children's
293 hospitals, support for first responders and the military, and
294 youth advocacy and mentorship, and to fund the development and
295 operation of youth mentorship programs in partnership with local
296 law enforcement agencies.

297 (139) UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY LICENSE PLATES.—

298 (a) The department shall develop a United States Naval
299 Academy license plate as provided in this section and s.
300 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved by
301 the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
302 plate, and the words "Go Navy, Beat Army!" must appear at the
303 bottom of the plate.

304 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
305 distributed to the Jacksonville Chapter of the Naval Academy
306 Alumni Association, which may use up to 10 percent of the fees
307 for administrative costs related to promotion and marketing of
308 the plate. The chapter shall use the remaining fees to provide
309 grants to charitable organizations in this state which directly
310 support veterans and their families for purposes including, but
311 not limited to:

312 1. Providing food or shelter.

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313 2. Providing service animals or support animals to wounded
314 veterans.

315 3. Supporting children of servicemembers killed in the
316 line of duty.

317 (140) UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY LICENSE PLATES.-

318 (a) The department shall develop a United States Military
319 Academy license plate as provided in this section and s.
320 320.08053. The plate must bear the colors and design approved by
321 the department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
322 plate, and the words "Go Army, Beat Navy!" must appear at the
323 bottom of the plate.

324 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
325 distributed to Bay Area Legal Services, Inc., which may use up
326 to 10 percent of the fees for administrative costs related to
327 promotion and marketing of the plate. The balance of the fees
328 must be used by Bay Area Legal Services, Inc., to fund the
329 Florida Veterans Legal Helpline.

330 (141) MIAMI DADE COLLEGE LICENSE PLATES.-

331 (a) The department shall develop a Miami Dade College
332 license plate as provided in this section and s. 320.08053. The
333 plate must bear the colors and design approved by the
334 department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
335 plate, and the words "Miami Dade College" must appear at the
336 bottom of the plate.

337 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be

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338 distributed to the Miami Dade College Foundation, Inc., which
339 may use up to 10 percent of the fees for administrative costs
340 and marketing of the plate. The balance of the fees must be used
341 by the Miami Dade College Foundation, Inc., to fund student
342 scholarships.

343 (142) FLORIDA FILM LEGACY LICENSE PLATES.—

344 (a) The department shall develop a Florida Film Legacy
345 license plate as provided in this section and s. 320.08053. The
346 plate must bear the colors and design approved by the department
347 in consultation with Feature Florida Partnerships, Inc. The word
348 "Florida" must appear at the top of the plate, and the words
349 "Film Legacy" must appear at the bottom of the plate.

350 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
351 distributed to Feature Florida Partnerships, Inc., a nonprofit
352 corporation under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. By
353 September 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, Feature Florida
354 Partnerships, Inc., must submit a financial report to the
355 department detailing the use of such fees during the preceding
356 fiscal year.

357 (143) ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE LICENSE PLATES.—

358 (a) The department shall develop a St. Petersburg College
359 license plate as provided in this section and s. 320.08053. The
360 plate must bear the colors and design approved by the
361 department. The word "Florida" must appear at the top of the
362 plate, and the words "St. Petersburg College" must appear at the

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363 bottom of the plate.

364 (b) The annual use fees from the sale of the plate must be
365 distributed to the St. Petersburg College Foundation, Inc., and
366 allocated as follows:

367 1. Ten percent may be used for administrative costs
368 related to the promotion and marketing of the plate.

369 2. Forty percent must be dedicated to funding student
370 scholarships to ensure access to quality education for students
371 in need.

372 3. Fifty percent must be used to fund initiatives that
373 embolden student success, particularly in emerging technologies
374 and workforce development programs, to prepare students for
375 high-demand careers and the future economy.

376 **Section 4. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section**
377 **320.08062, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

378 320.08062 Audits and attestations required; annual use
379 fees of specialty license plates.—

380 (2)

381 (d) If an organization fails to comply with the
382 department's recommendations and corrective actions as outlined
383 in paragraph (c), the revenue distributions shall be
384 discontinued until completion of the next regular session of the
385 Legislature. By December 31 of each year and as part of the
386 report required in s. 320.08053(3), the department shall notify
387 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of

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388 the House of Representatives ~~by the first day of the next~~
389 ~~regular session~~ of any organization whose revenues have been
390 withheld as a result of this paragraph. If the Legislature does
391 not provide direction to the organization and the department
392 regarding the status of the undistributed revenues, the
393 department shall deauthorize the plate and the undistributed
394 revenues shall be immediately deposited into the Highway Safety
395 Operating Trust Fund.

396 **Section 5.** This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.

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399 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

400 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

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A bill to be entitled

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An act relating to specialty license plates; amending

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s. 320.08053, F.S.; requiring certain organizations

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that have an approved specialty license plate to

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submit within a specified timeframe certain financial

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information to the Department of Highway Safety and

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Motor Vehicles; providing for the deauthorization of

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certain specialty license plates if the organization

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receiving the annual use fees does not submit the

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required financial information to the department

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within the specified timeframe; requiring the

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department to submit an annual report to the Governor

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413 and Legislature by a specified date; amending s.
414 320.08056, F.S.; prohibiting specialty license plate
415 annual use fees or interest earned from such fees from
416 being distributed to certain entities; amending s.
417 320.08058, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the
418 issuance and fee distribution for Fraternal Order of
419 Police license plates; directing the department to
420 develop specified specialty license plates; providing
421 for distribution and use of fees collected from the
422 sale of the plates; amending s. 320.08062, F.S.;
423 conforming provisions to changes made by the act;
424 providing an effective date.

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