By Senator Wright

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Fraternal Order of Police license plate; amending s. 320.08058, F.S.; deleting a restriction on who may be issued the Fraternal Order of Police license plate; revising the distribution and use of annual use fees collected from sales of the Fraternal Order of Police license plate; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (67) of section 320.08058, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

320.08058 Specialty license plates.-

(67) FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LICENSE PLATES.-

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

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

(b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the Florida State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police Memorial

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Foundation, Inc., a nonprofit corporation under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The which shall retain all proceeds until the startup costs to develop and establish the plate have been recovered. Thereafter, the proceeds shall be distributed to the Florida State Lodge Memorial foundation shall distribute the proceeds for use according to the foundation's articles of incorporation of the Fraternal Order of Police and used as follows:

- 1. A maximum of 10 percent of the proceeds may be used to promote and market the plate, to administer the license plate program, and to pay administrative costs directly associated with the state Fraternal Order of Police Law Enforcement Memorial.
- 2. The remaining proceeds shall be used by the foundation to fund projects, programs, or events related to the memorial or to fund improvements, maintenance, or other support for the memorial.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2026.