

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 Solar
 5 Power license plate; providing for distribution and
 6 use of fees collected from the sale of the plates;
 7 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) SOLAR POWER LICENSE PLATES.—

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

20 (b) The annual use fees shall be distributed to the
 21 Florida Solar Energy Research and Education Foundation
 22 (FlaSEREF) to be used as follows:

23 1. Up to 10 percent may be used for continuing promotion
 24 and marketing of the plate and administrative costs directly
 25 associated with the plate and the foundation's programs.

26 2. Fifteen percent shall be distributed to the Florida
27 Solar Energy Center at the University of Central Florida for the
28 sole purpose of developing and administering solar energy
29 industry workforce training programs, including internships,
30 apprenticeships, advanced technical training, and related
31 programs, in coordination with FlaSEREF and the Florida Solar
32 Energy Industries Association (FlaSEIA).

33 3. Fifteen percent shall be distributed to veteran support
34 facilities within this state for the development of solar
35 demonstration projects intended to lower the operating costs of
36 such facilities.

37 4. The remaining proceeds shall be used for administrative
38 expenses of FlaSEREF and FlaSEIA and to increase the public's
39 awareness of solar energy education and research and the
40 benefits of solar energy.

41 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2020, but
42 only if HB 697 or similar legislation takes effect, if such
43 legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an
44 extension thereof and becomes a law.