

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 579

SENATE BILL NO. 138

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to special license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Hampton University;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Hampton University new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain the colors and logo of Hampton University and must include any other appropriate design representative of the university. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative from the Chattanooga chapter of the National Hampton Alumni Association (NHAA), Inc.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the National Hampton Alumni Association, Inc., in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively for funding scholarships for students from Tennessee.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() The Compassionate Friends;

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a The Compassionate Friends new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate logo or design representative of The Compassionate Friends, Inc. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative from The Compassionate Friends, Inc.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to The Compassionate Friends, Inc., in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively in this state to support bereaved families following the death of a child.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-313(d), is amended by deleting the language "July 1, 2021" and substituting instead the language "July 1, 2022".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Sheriff's and Police Activities League of Memphis and Shelby County;

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Sheriff's and Police Activities League of Memphis and Shelby County new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate design representative of Memphis Shelby Sheriff's and Police Activities League of Memphis and Shelby County, TN. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative from Memphis Shelby Sheriff's and Police Activities League of Memphis and Shelby County, TN.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Memphis Shelby Sheriff's and Police Activities League of Memphis and Shelby County, TN in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used for funding the development and construction of a multi-purpose youth development park in the Frayser neighborhood.

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Millennial Debt Foundation;

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Millennial Debt Foundation new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate design representative of the Millennial Debt Foundation. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative of the Millennial Debt Foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Millennial Debt Foundation in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used for educating the public on the need for fiscal stewardship in government.

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-229(b), is amended by deleting the following language:

The design on the Legislator Emeritus special purpose license plates shall be distinguishable from the special purpose license plates authorized by § 55-4-220 for members or former members of the general assembly. There shall be an image of the state capitol on the left half of the plate and the plate shall bear the legend "Legislator Emeritus".

and substituting instead the following:

The design on the Legislator Emeritus special purpose license plates must be distinguishable from the special purpose license plates authorized by § 55-4-220 for members or former members of the general assembly. Additionally, there must be two (2) different design options for eligible current or former members of the general assembly to indicate the member's service in the senate or the house of representatives. A member who

is eligible under subsection (a) and who served in each house of the general assembly may choose which plate to be issued. One (1) design must be an image of the state capitol on the left half of the plate with the plate bearing the legend "Senator Emeritus". The other design must be an image of the state capitol on the left half of the plate with the plate bearing the legend "Representative Emeritus".

SECTION 11. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() The Equity Alliance;

SECTION 12. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a The Equity Alliance new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate logo or design representative of The Equity Alliance. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative from The Equity Alliance.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to The Equity Alliance in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively in this state to equip Tennesseans with tools and strategies to engage in the civic process and empower them to take action on issues affecting their daily lives through civic engagement, voter registration, voter education, and other related programs.

SECTION 13. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (4)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For veterans and civilian veterans of Vietnam, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Vietnam Veteran," and the symbol on the left must be the Vietnam Service Medal. Award of the Vietnam Service Medal and proof of honorable service, or appropriate civilian documentation, is required for a veteran or civilian veteran to obtain the Vietnam Veteran plate.

SECTION 14. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (6)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For veterans and civilian veterans of the Korean War, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Korean War Veteran," and the symbol on the left must be the Korean Service Medal. Award of the Korean Service Medal and proof of honorable service, or appropriate civilian documentation, is required for a veteran or civilian veteran to obtain the Korean War Veteran plate.

SECTION 15. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (7)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For veterans and civilian veterans of Operation Desert Storm, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Desert Storm Veteran," and the symbol on the left must be the Southwest Asia Service Medal. Award of the Southwest Asia Service Medal and proof of honorable service, or appropriate civilian documentation, is required for a veteran or civilian veteran to obtain the Desert Storm Veteran plate.

SECTION 16. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (8)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For veterans and civilian veterans of the peacekeeping mission in Bosnia, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Bosnia Veteran," and the symbol on the left must be the NATO Medal for the former Yugoslavia. Award of the NATO Medal for the former Yugoslavia and proof of honorable service, or appropriate civilian documentation, is required for a veteran or civilian veteran to obtain the Bosnia Veteran plate.

SECTION 17. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (9)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Operation Iraqi Freedom," and the symbol on the left must be the Iraq Campaign Medal. Award of the Iraq Campaign Medal and proof of honorable service or active service is required for a veteran or service member to obtain the Operation Iraqi Freedom plate.

SECTION 18. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (10)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Enduring Freedom and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation Enduring Freedom, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Operation Enduring Freedom," and the symbol on the left must be the Afghanistan Campaign Medal. Award of the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and proof of honorable service or active service is required for a veteran or service member to obtain the Operation Enduring Freedom plate.

SECTION 19. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (11)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For honorably discharged veterans of Operation New Dawn and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation New Dawn, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Operation New Dawn," and the symbol on the left must be the Iraq Campaign Medal. Award of the Iraq Campaign Medal and proof of honorable service or active service is required for a veteran or service member to obtain the Operation New Dawn plate.

SECTION 20. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (13)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For honorably discharged veterans of the peacekeeping mission in Somalia occurring between December 5, 1992, and March 3, 1994, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Somalia Veteran," and the symbol on the left must be the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Award of the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and proof of honorable service is required for a veteran to obtain the Somalia Veteran plate.

SECTION 21. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-253(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (15)(A) and substituting instead the following:

For honorably discharged veterans of Operation Inherent Resolve and active members of the United States armed forces who served in Operation Inherent Resolve, the strip along the bottom of the license plate must read "Operation Inherent Resolve," and the symbol on the left must be the Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal. Award of the Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal and proof of honorable service or active service is required for a veteran or service member to obtain the Operation Inherent Resolve plate.

SECTION 22. The redesign of the license plates provided for in Sections 13 - 21 of this act must be effectuated only upon the existing inventory of plates being utilized by the department of revenue.

SECTION 23. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Chattanooga;

SECTION 24. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Chattanooga new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate design representative of tourism or the City of Chattanooga. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative of the Chattanooga Tourism Foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Chattanooga Tourism Foundation in accordance with § 55-4-301, to

be used to support and promote tourism-related activities, events, and projects, to enhance the image, culture, and the economic and social prosperity of Hamilton County, Tennessee, and the surrounding area, and to pursue and support charitable activities.

SECTION 25. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Chattanooga Football Club;

SECTION 26. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Chattanooga Football Club new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must contain an appropriate logo or design representative of Chattanooga Football Club. The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative from the Chattanooga FC Foundation.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Chattanooga FC Foundation in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively in this state to enrich the lives of children and families in Chattanooga found in economically or culturally challenged neighborhoods, to build a strong community and healthy lifestyles through partnerships with local churches, schools, and recreation centers, and to support after-school and summer soccer programs that seek to develop creativity, discipline, social skills, and team building.

SECTION 27. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() The Ohio State University;

SECTION 28. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a The Ohio State University new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must bear the official colors and logo of The Ohio State University and include the language "OHIO STATE" in an appropriate design. The design of the plates must be approved by The Ohio State University prior to production, and must afford the trademark protection as The Ohio State University may require as otherwise permitted by law. All uses of the colors and logo of The Ohio State University inure to the benefit of The Ohio State University.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Ohio State Club of Middle Tennessee in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively for funding scholarships for students from Tennessee.

SECTION 29. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() CASA;

SECTION 30. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a CASA new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of CASA of the Tennessee Valley.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of CASA new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to CASA of the Tennessee Valley in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to support the organization's court appointed special advocates (CASA) mission to recruit, train, and supervise volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children within the court system.

SECTION 31. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(5)(G), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Army ranger;

SECTION 32. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-204(c)(1), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Army ranger;

SECTION 33. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, who is an active, retired, or honorably discharged member of a United States army ranger unit or who is a graduate of the United States army ranger school, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a United States army ranger license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) All applications pursuant to this section must be accompanied by military orders or other official documentation proving the applicant's eligibility for issuance of a license plate pursuant to this section, to include:

(1) Military orders detailing a current or past assignment to a United States army ranger unit;

(2) Military orders awarding the ranger tab authorized by the United States army to the applicant;

(3) The applicant's certificate of release or discharge from active duty, department of defense form 214 (DD 214), or report of separation and record of service, NGB form 22, indicating the awarding of the ranger tab; or

(4) The diploma issued to the applicant from the United States army ranger school, as proof of eligibility for issuance of a license plate pursuant to this section.

(c) In addition to providing the documentation required under subsection (b):

(1) An active duty member of the military must present a valid military identification card or such other document as the commissioner designates as sufficient proof that the applicant is an active duty member of the military; or

(2) A retired or honorably discharged member of the military must present:

(A) A certified copy of the member's certificate of release or discharge from active duty, department of defense form 214 (DD 214), honorable discharge certificate, department of defense form 256 (DD 256), or report of separation and record of service, NGB form 22, that indicates an honorable discharge characterization;

(B) A valid DD form 2 (Retired) military identification card; or

(C) A Tennessee driver license that indicates military service in accordance with § 55-50-354.

(d) The license plates are to feature a likeness of the ranger tab authorized by the United States army and bear the legend "U.S. Army Ranger."

(e) An applicant shall be required to submit the documentation required by subsections (b) and (c) only when initially applying for license plates under this section.

Subsequent license plates under this section shall be issued to that person without the repeated presentation of documentation.

SECTION 34. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-379, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Industry new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 35. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-380, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 36. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-386, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the Big Brothers Big Sisters new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 37. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-360, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the I RECYCLE new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 38. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Drive Electric Tennessee;

SECTION 39. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Drive Electric Tennessee new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of East Tennessee Clean Fuels Coalition.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Drive Electric Tennessee new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to East Tennessee Clean Fuels Coalition in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively for electronic vehicle educational purposes.

SECTION 40. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Tiger Haven;

SECTION 41. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Tiger Haven new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of Tiger Haven, Inc.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Tiger Haven new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Tiger Haven, Inc., in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to support the organization's mission to protect rescued big cats, including purchasing food and cages for the animals.

SECTION 42. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() TennesSEIA;

SECTION 43. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a TennesSEIA new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of Tennessee Solar Energy Industries Association, Inc. (TennesSEIA).

(c) The funds produced from the sale of TennesSEIA new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Tennessee Solar Energy Industries Association, Inc., (TennesSEIA) in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively for education regarding solar initiatives.

SECTION 44. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Dyslexia Awareness;

SECTION 45. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Dyslexia Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of the Tennessee Branch of the International Dyslexia Association.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Dyslexia Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Tennessee Branch of the International Dyslexia Association in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to provide advocacy, parent and teacher training, and professional development to schools.

SECTION 46. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-345(e), is amended by deleting the language "July 1, 2021" and substituting instead the language "July 1, 2022".

SECTION 47. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Cystic Fibrosis Awareness;

SECTION 48. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Cystic Fibrosis Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of Cure For Our Friends.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the Cystic Fibrosis Awareness new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Cure For Our Friends, in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used for cystic fibrosis awareness programs in this state and to support the organization's mission to support individuals and families in Tennessee who are affected by cystic fibrosis.

SECTION 49. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Natural Gas Fuels Tennessee;

SECTION 50. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Natural Gas Fuels Tennessee new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of the Tennessee Gas Association.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Natural Gas Fuels Tennessee new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Tennessee Gas Association Scholarship Foundation in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to provide scholarships awarded to children of employees of member natural gas companies, pipelines, and business partners of the Tennessee Gas Association who reside in this state.

SECTION 51. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-349, is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of subsection (b):

The plates must be designed in consultation with a representative of the department of health.

SECTION 52. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-349, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the department of health in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively for breast screening, prevention, and diagnostic services.

SECTION 53. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() The Volunteer State;

SECTION 54. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a The Volunteer State new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of the Rocky Mount Historical Association.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of The Volunteer State new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to the Rocky Mount Historical Association in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to provide educational and community outreach programs focused upon the history of the Rocky Mount State Historic site and the customs, values, and practices of the early settlers of Tennessee.

SECTION 55. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Honor the Fallen;

SECTION 56. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued an Honor the Fallen new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of Memories of Honor.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Honor the Fallen new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Memories of Honor in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively in this state to support the organization's mission to honor fallen military and the families left behind through athletics, entertainment, and special events to help provide a healthy and active outlet for depression, grief, post-traumatic stress disorder, and survivor's remorse.

SECTION 57. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-384, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the Enjoy the Ride new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 58. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Wilson County The Place to Be;

SECTION 59. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Wilson County The Place to Be new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative from the county government of Wilson County.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Wilson Rides, Inc., in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively in this state for ride scheduling and volunteer scheduling services.

SECTION 60. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Nashville Cares;

SECTION 61. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Nashville Cares new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative from Nashville Cares.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of the new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Nashville Cares in accordance with § 55-4-301, to be used exclusively in this state to support the organization's programs and services to fight to eradicate HIV/AIDS in Middle Tennessee and support those persons and families impacted by the disease.

SECTION 62. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-265(b), is amended by deleting the language "The registration number of the plate shall include the letters 'BS' and a unique identifying number" and substituting instead the language "The registration number of the plate shall include the letters 'FM' and a unique identifying number".

SECTION 63. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-203(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() Service Dogs;

SECTION 64. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) An owner or lessee of a motor vehicle who is a resident of this state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-204, shall be issued a Service Dogs new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section must be designed in consultation with a representative of Smoky Mountain Service Dogs.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of Service Dogs new specialty earmarked license plates must be allocated to Smoky Mountain Service Dogs in accordance with § 55-4-301. The funds must be used exclusively to support the organization's mission to enhance the physical and psychological quality of life for wounded veterans by providing trained service dogs to disabled veterans.

SECTION 65. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-383, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (d):

Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the Service Dogs Changing Lives new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 66. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-374, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(d) Notwithstanding § 55-4-202(k)(1), the African American Breast Cancer Awareness new specialty earmarked license plate authorized pursuant to this section has until July 1, 2022, to meet the applicable minimum issuance requirements of § 55-4-202(k)(1).

SECTION 67. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, then the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end, the provisions of this act are severable.

SECTION 68. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: May 4, 2021

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CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 27th day of May 2021

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