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Short Title: NC Transportation Museum Special Plate. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives H. Warren and Cleveland (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A
3 SPECIAL PLATE TO BENEFIT THE NORTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION
4 MUSEUM.
5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-81.12(b2) reads as rewritten:
7 "(b2) State Attraction Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for a
8 State attraction plate before the plate may be developed. The Division must transfer quarterly
9 the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of
10 State attraction plates to the organizations named below in proportion to the number of State
11 attraction plates sold representing that organization:
12 (1) Aurora Fossil Museum. – The revenue derived from the special plate shall
13 be transferred quarterly to the Aurora Fossil Museum Foundation, Inc., to be
14 used for educational programs, for enhancing collections, and for operating
15 expenses of the Aurora Fossil Museum.
16 (2) Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation. – The revenue derived from the special
17 plate shall be transferred quarterly to Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation for
18 use in promoting and preserving the Blue Ridge Parkway as a scenic
19 attraction in North Carolina. A person may obtain from the Division a
20 special registration plate under this subdivision for the registered owner of a
21 motor vehicle or a motorcycle. The registration fees and the restrictions on
22 the issuance of a specialized registration plate for a motorcycle are the same
23 as for any motor vehicle. The Division must receive a minimum of 300
24 applications to develop a special registration plate for a motorcycle.
25 (3) Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. – The revenue derived
26 from the special plate shall be transferred quarterly to the Friends of the
27 Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Inc., to be used for educational
28 materials, preservation programs, capital improvements for the portion of the
29 Great Smoky Mountains National Park that is located in North Carolina, and
30 operating expenses of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.
31 (4) Friends of the Appalachian Trail. – The revenue derived from the special
32 plate shall be transferred quarterly to The Appalachian Trail Conference to
33 be used for educational materials, preservation programs, trail maintenance,
34 trailway and viewshed acquisitions, trailway and viewshed easement
35 acquisitions, capital improvements for the portions of the Appalachian Trail



- 1 and connecting trails that are located in North Carolina, and related
2 administrative and operating expenses.
- 3 (5) North Carolina State Parks. – One-half of the revenue derived from the
4 special plate shall be transferred quarterly to Natural Heritage Trust Fund
5 established under G.S. 113-77.7, and the remaining revenue shall be
6 transferred quarterly to the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund established
7 under G.S. 113-44.15.
- 8 (6) "Old Baldy," Bald Head Island Lighthouse. – The revenue derived from the
9 special plate shall be transferred quarterly to the Old Baldy Foundation, Inc.,
10 for its programs in support of the Bald Head Island Lighthouse.
- 11 (7) The North Carolina Aquariums. – The revenue derived from the special plate
12 shall be transferred quarterly to the North Carolina Aquarium Society, Inc.,
13 for its programs in support of the North Carolina Aquariums.
- 14 (8) The North Carolina Arboretum. – The revenue derived from the special plate
15 shall be transferred quarterly to The North Carolina Arboretum Society and
16 used to help the Society obtain grants for the North Carolina Arboretum and
17 for capital improvements to the North Carolina Arboretum.
- 18 (9) The North Carolina Maritime Museum. – The revenue derived from the
19 special plate shall be transferred quarterly to Friends of the Museum, North
20 Carolina Maritime Museum, Inc., to be used for educational programs and
21 conservation programs and for operating expenses of the North Carolina
22 Maritime Museum.
- 23 (10) The North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences. – The revenue derived
24 from the special plate shall be transferred quarterly to the Friends of the
25 North Carolina State Museum of Natural Sciences for its programs in
26 support of the museum.
- 27 (11) The North Carolina Transportation Museum. – The revenue derived from the
28 special plate shall be transferred quarterly to the North Carolina
29 Transportation Museum Foundation to be used for educational programs and
30 conservation programs and for operating expenses of the North Carolina
31 Transportation Museum.
- 32 ~~(11)~~(12) The North Carolina Zoological Society. – The revenue derived from the
33 special plate shall be transferred quarterly to The North Carolina Zoological
34 Society, Incorporated, to be used for educational programs and conservation
35 programs at the North Carolina Zoo at Asheboro and for operating expenses
36 of the North Carolina Zoo at Asheboro.
- 37 ~~(12)~~(13) U.S.S. North Carolina Battleship Commission. – The revenue derived
38 from the special plate shall be transferred quarterly to the U.S.S. North
39 Carolina Battleship Commission to be used for educational programs and
40 preservation programs on the U.S.S. North Carolina (BB-55) and for
41 operating expenses of the U.S.S. North Carolina Battleship Commission."

42 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.