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HOUSE BILL 690

Short Title: Special Registration Plate & Permanent Plate. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Whitmire, Presnell, and Speciale (Primary Sponsors).

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April 14, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A  
"DON'T TREAD ON ME" SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE AND ISSUE  
PERMANENT REGISTRATION PLATES TO CONGRESSIONALLY CHARTERED  
VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-63(b1) reads as rewritten:

"(b1) The following special registration plates do not have to be a "First in Flight" plate or "First in Freedom" plate as provided in subsection (b) of this section. The design of the plates that are not "First in Flight" plates or "First in Freedom" plates must be developed in accordance with G.S. 20-79.4(a3). For special plates authorized in G.S. 20-79.7 on or after July 1, 2013, the Division may not issue the plate on a background under this subsection unless it receives at least 200 applications for the plate in addition to the applications required under G.S. 20-79.4 or G.S. 20-81.12.

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(48) Alpha Phi Alpha.

(49) Don't Tread on Me."

**SECTION 2.** G.S. 20-79.4(b)(65), as it existed on September 30, 2014, is reenacted.

**SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-79.4(b)(65), as reenacted by Section 2 of this act, reads as rewritten:

"(b) Types. – The Division shall issue the following types of special registration plates:

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(65) Don't Tread on Me. – Issuable to a registered owner of a motor vehicle. The plate shall bear the phrase "Don't Tread on Me" under the representation of the Gadsden Flag. ~~The Division may not issue the plate authorized by this subdivision unless it receives at least 300 applications for the plate.~~"

**SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-79.7 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 20-79.7. Fees for special registration plates and distribution of the fees.**

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(a1) Fees. – All other special registration plates are subject to the regular motor vehicle registration fee in G.S. 20-87 or G.S. 20-88 plus an additional fee in the following amount:

Special Plate

Additional Fee Amount

Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden

\$30.00



1	<u>Don't Tread on Me</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
2	El Pueblo	\$30.00

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4 (b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the Collegiate  
 5 and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway Fund. The Division  
 6 must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration plates listed in subsection (a)  
 7 of this section among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the Collegiate and  
 8 Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), the Clean Water Management Trust Fund  
 9 (CWMTF), which is established under G.S. 113A-253, and the Parks and Recreation Trust  
 10 Fund, which is established under G.S. 113-44.15, as follows:

11	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>CWMTF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>
12	...				
13	Donate Life	\$10	\$10	0	0
14	<u>Don't Tread on Me</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
15	Ducks Unlimited	\$10	\$10	0	0
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17 **SECTION 5.** G.S. 20-81.12 reads as rewritten:  
 18 **"§ 20-81.12. Collegiate insignia plates and certain other special plates.**

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20 (b148) North Carolina Paddle Festival. – The Division must receive 300 or more  
 21 applications for a North Carolina Paddle Festival plate before the plate may be developed. The  
 22 Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate  
 23 Account derived from the sale of North Carolina Paddle Festival plates to the Friends of the  
 24 Hammocks and Bear Island, Inc.

25 (b149) Don't Tread on Me. – The applicable requirements of G.S. 20-79.3A must be met  
 26 before a "Don't Tread on Me" plate may be developed. The Division must transfer quarterly the  
 27 money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of "Don't  
 28 Tread on Me" plates to middle school and high school career and technical education supplies,  
 29 and middle school and high school career and technical education hardcopy and electronic  
 30 textbooks, as provided through the career technical education program support funds allotment.

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32 **SECTION 6.** The Revisor of Statutes is authorized to alphabetize, number, and  
 33 renumber the special registration plates listed in G.S. 20-79.4(b) to ensure that all the special  
 34 registration plates are listed in alphabetical order and numbered accordingly.

35 **SECTION 7.** G.S. 20-84(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

36 "(20) A motor vehicle that is owned and operated by a congressionally chartered  
 37 veterans service organization."

38 **SECTION 8.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2015.