

House Bill 856

By: Representative Dollar of the 45<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to prestige and special license plates, so as to provide a special license plate  
3 supporting the protection of wild dolphins in Georgia; to provide that a portion of the funds  
4 generated by the sale of such special license plate be disbursed to EarthEcho International,  
5 Inc., for scientific research to conserve the ocean environment and protect wild dolphins; to  
6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
10 prestige and special license plates, is amended in Code Section 40-2-86.21, relating to special  
11 license plates promoting certain beneficial projects and supporting certain agencies, funds,  
12 or nonprofit corporations, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (o) as follows:

13 "(40) A special license plate supporting the protection of wild dolphins in Georgia  
14 waters. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to  
15 EarthEcho International, Inc., for use in scientific research, conservation, and educational  
16 programs that serve to restore and protect the ocean environment and freshwater systems  
17 and to protect wild dolphins. Up to 25 percent of the funds may be utilized for continuing  
18 promotion and marketing of the license plate. Such license plate shall not include a space  
19 for a county decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Protect Wild Dolphins'."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.