

House Bill 253

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 special license plates promoting certain beneficial projects and supporting certain worthy
3 agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations, so as to increase the proportion of moneys derived
4 from the sale of specialty license plates promoting the dog and cat reproductive sterilization
5 support program which are to be dedicated to such program; to provide for related matters;
6 to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license
10 plates promoting certain beneficial projects and supporting certain worthy agencies, funds,
11 or nonprofit corporations, is amended as follows:

12 "40-2-86.

13 (a)(1) As used in this Code section, except as otherwise provided in subsection (n) of this
14 Code section, the term:

15 (A) 'Manufacturing fee' means a \$25.00 fee paid at the time a special license plate is
16 issued.

17 (B) 'Special license plate fee' means a \$35.00 fee paid at the time a special license plate
18 is issued.

19 (C) 'Special license plate renewal fee' means a \$35.00 fee paid at the time a
20 revalidation decal is issued for a special license plate.

21 (2) In accordance with Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(n) of the Constitution, the
22 General Assembly has determined that the issuance of special license plates to support
23 an agency or fund or a program beneficial to the people of this state that is administered
24 by a nonprofit corporation organized under Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal
25 Revenue Code and dedicating a portion of the funds raised from the sale of these special
26 license plates is in the best interests of the people of this state.

27 (b) The agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation sponsoring the special license plate, in
28 cooperation with the commissioner, shall design special distinctive license plates
29 appropriate to promote the program benefited by the sale of the special license plate. The
30 special license plates must be of the same size as general issue motor vehicle license plates
31 and shall include a unique design and identifying number, whereby the total number of
32 characters does not exceed an amount to be determined by the commissioner. No two
33 recipients shall receive identically numbered plates. The agency, fund, or nonprofit
34 corporation sponsoring the license plate may request the assignment of the first of 100 in
35 a series of license plates upon payment of an additional initial registration fee of \$25.00 for
36 each license plate requested.

37 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this Code section, no special
38 license plate shall be produced until such time as the State of Georgia has, through a
39 licensing agreement or otherwise, received such licenses or other permissions as may be
40 required to produce the special license plate. The design of the initial edition of any special
41 license plate, as well as the design of subsequent editions and excepting only any part or
42 parts of the designs owned by others and licensed to the state, shall be owned solely by the
43 State of Georgia for its exclusive use and control, except as authorized by the
44 commissioner. The commissioner may take such steps as may be necessary to give notice
45 of and protect such right, including the copyright or copyrights. However, such steps shall
46 be cumulative of the ownership and exclusive use and control established by this
47 subsection as a matter of law, and no person shall reproduce or otherwise use such design
48 or designs, except as authorized by the commissioner.

49 (d) Any Georgia resident who is the owner of a motor vehicle, except a vehicle registered
50 under the International Registration Plan, upon complying with the motor vehicle laws
51 relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and upon the payment of the
52 appropriate fees in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration fee shall be able to
53 apply for a special license plate listed in this Code section. Revalidation decals shall be
54 issued for special license plates in the same manner as provided for general issue license
55 plates.

56 (e) Before the department disburses to the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation funds
57 from the sale of special license plates, the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation must
58 provide a written statement stating the manner in which such funds shall be utilized. In
59 addition, a nonprofit corporation shall provide the department with documentation of its
60 nonprofit status under Section 501(c)(3) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code. The
61 purposes for which the funds shall be utilized shall be the same as those specified in this
62 Code section authorizing the dedication to the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation of
63 revenue from the sale of special license plates. The agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation

64 shall periodically provide to the commissioner an audit of the use of the funds or other
65 evidence of use of the funds satisfactory to the commissioner. Any agency, fund, or
66 nonprofit corporation which receives funds under subsection (n) of this Code section shall
67 submit annually to the members of the Senate Natural Resources and the Environment
68 Committee, the House Committee on Game, Fish, and Parks, the House Committee on
69 Appropriations, ~~and~~ the Senate Appropriations Committee, and ~~to~~ the commissioner of
70 natural resources a detailed audit containing the disposition and expenditure of all funds
71 received pursuant to such subsection. If it is determined that the funds are not being used
72 for the purposes set forth in the statement provided by the agency, fund, or nonprofit
73 corporation, the department shall withhold payment of such funds until such
74 noncompliance issues are resolved.

75 (f) An applicant may request a special license plate any time during the applicant's
76 registration period. If such a license plate is to replace a current valid license plate, the
77 special license plate shall be issued with appropriate decals attached upon payment of the
78 manufacturing fee and the special license plate renewal fee.

79 (g) On or after July 1, 2010, no special license plate authorized pursuant to subsections (l),
80 (m), and (n) of this Code section shall be issued except upon the receipt by the department
81 of at least 1,000 prepaid applications along with the manufacturing fees. The special
82 license plate shall have an application period of two years after the date on which the
83 application period becomes effective for payment of the manufacturing fee. After such
84 time if the minimum number of applications is not met, the department shall not continue
85 to accept the manufacturing fees, and all fees shall be refunded to applicants; provided,
86 however, that once the department has received 1,000 prepaid applications along with the
87 manufacturing fees, the sponsor shall not be entitled to a refund.

88 (h) The department shall not be required to continue to manufacture the special license
89 plate if the number of active registrations falls below 500 registrations at any time during
90 the period provided for in subsection (b) of Code Section 40-2-31. A current registrant
91 may continue to renew such special license plate during his or her annual registration
92 period upon payment of the special license plate renewal fee which shall be collected by
93 the county tag agent at the time of collection of other registration fees and shall be remitted
94 to the state as provided in Code Section 40-2-34. The department may continue to issue
95 such special license plates that it has in its inventory to assist in achieving the minimum
96 number of registrations. If the special license plate falls below 500 active registrations at
97 any time during the period provided for in subsection (b) of Code Section 40-2-31, the
98 sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation shall be required again to obtain 1,000
99 prepaid applications accompanied by the manufacturing fees to continue to manufacture
100 the special license plate.

101 (i) Special license plates shall be transferred from one vehicle to another vehicle in
102 accordance with the provisions of Code Section 40-2-80.

103 (j) Special license plates shall be issued within 30 days of application once the
104 requirements of this Code section have been met.

105 (k) The commissioner is authorized and directed to establish procedures and promulgate
106 rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this Code section.

107 (l)(1) The General Assembly has determined that special license plates supporting the
108 agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations listed in this subsection shall be issued for the
109 purposes indicated. The special license plates listed in this subsection shall be subject to
110 a manufacturing fee, a special license plate fee, and a special license plate renewal fee.
111 The revenue disbursement for the special license plates listed in this subsection shall be
112 as follows:

113 (A) Manufacturing fee – \$25.00 of which \$24.00 is to be deposited into the general
114 fund and \$1.00 is to be paid to the local county tag agent;

115 (B) Special license plate fee – \$35.00 of which \$25.00 is to be deposited into the
116 general fund and \$10.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit
117 corporation as permitted by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(n) of the Constitution;
118 and

119 (C) Special license plate renewal fee – \$35.00 of which \$25.00 is to be deposited into
120 the general fund and \$10.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or
121 nonprofit corporation as permitted by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(n) of the
122 Constitution.

123 (2) Reserved.

124 (3) Reserved.

125 (4) Reserved.

126 (5) Special license plates promoting the conservation of wildflowers within this state.
127 The funds raised by the sale of these special license plates shall be disbursed to the
128 Department of Transportation to be deposited in the Roadside Enhancement and
129 Beautification Fund established by Code Section 32-6-75.2 and shall be expended only
130 for the purposes enumerated in Code Section 32-6-75.2 and Article III, Section IX,
131 Paragraph VI(1) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia.

132 ~~(6) Special license plates promoting the dog and cat reproductive sterilization support~~
133 ~~program of the Georgia Department of Agriculture. The funds raised by the sale of these~~
134 ~~special license plates shall be disbursed to the Georgia Department of Agriculture and~~
135 ~~shall be deposited in the special fund for support of the dog and cat reproductive~~
136 ~~sterilization support program created by Code Section 4-15-1 and Article III, Section IX,~~
137 ~~Paragraph VI(m) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia~~ Reserved.

138 (7) Special license plates to honor Georgia educators. The funds raised by the sale of
139 these special license plates shall be disbursed to a charitable foundation designated by the
140 State School Superintendent and used to fund educational programs, grants to teachers,
141 and scholarships. The license plates shall display the phrase 'Georgia Educators Make
142 A Difference' and a ripe Red Delicious apple shall be depicted to the left of the
143 identifying number of each plate.

144 (8)(A) The commissioner in cooperation with a college or university may design a
145 special license plate to be issued commemorating that college or university, which
146 license plate shall be similar in design to the license plate issued to all other residents
147 of the state except that the logo or emblem of the college or university shall be placed
148 on the license plate along with the letters and numbers on the license plate. The name
149 of the college or university shall be imprinted on such special license plate in lieu of the
150 county name decal.

151 (B) Any college or university that enters into an agreement with the commissioner
152 pursuant to this paragraph shall waive any royalty fees to which it might otherwise be
153 entitled for use of its seal, symbol, emblem, or logotype as provided in this paragraph.

154 (C) Each college or university located in Georgia that enters into an agreement with
155 the commissioner pursuant to this paragraph shall designate a charitable foundation
156 which shall annually receive an allocation from the special license plate and special
157 license plate renewal fees collected as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection.
158 Special license plates issued under this paragraph shall be transferred between vehicles
159 as provided in Code Section 40-2-42.

160 (D) The funds allocated for colleges and universities located in Georgia shall be
161 delivered by the department to the charitable foundation designated by the particular
162 college or university to support needs based, academic, financial aid scholarships for
163 eligible undergraduate students enrolled in the college or university. The funds
164 otherwise allocated for colleges and universities located outside the State of Georgia
165 shall be placed into the general fund.

166 (E) Each college or university shall review and approve plans for the implementation
167 of these scholarship programs by the applicable charitable foundation. These plans
168 shall include, but need not be limited to, criteria for the awarding of the scholarships
169 and procedures for determining the recipients.

170 (9) A special license plate for the Georgia Center for the Book to support the purchase
171 of books for public libraries in Georgia. The funds raised by the sale of this special
172 license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia Center for the Book.

173 (10) A special license plate for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta to support the work this
174 pediatric hospital system does in the State of Georgia. The funds raised by the sale of this
175 special license plate shall be disbursed to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

176 (11) A special license plate for the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home to support the
177 implementation and operation of the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home. The funds
178 raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Department of
179 Veterans Service for use in operating the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home.

180 (12) A special license plate for the Georgia Automobile Racing Hall of Fame
181 Association to promote the Georgia Automobile Racing Hall of Fame Association, which
182 is devoted to preserving the history of automobile racing in Georgia. The funds raised
183 by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia Automobile
184 Racing Hall of Fame Association.

185 (13) A special license plate for the Alzheimer's Association, Georgia Chapter, to help
186 eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research and to enhance care
187 and support for individuals, their families, and caregivers. The funds raised by the sale
188 of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Alzheimer's Association, Georgia
189 Chapter.

190 (14) A special license plate for the school health and physical education program to help
191 fund school health and physical education programs. The funds raised by the sale of this
192 special license plate shall be disbursed to the Department of Education.

193 (15) A special license plate for stroke awareness, treatment, and prevention to support
194 programs aiding stroke victims in Georgia. Such license plate shall not include a space
195 for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Stroke Awareness' in lieu of the
196 name of the county of issuance. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate
197 shall be disbursed to the Center for Telehealth of the Georgia Health Sciences University.

198 (16) A special license plate for Project Lifesaver promoting the establishment of a
199 Project Lifesaver or similar type of program by local law enforcement agencies. Project
200 Lifesaver's mission is to use state of the art technology in assisting those who care for
201 victims of Alzheimer's disease and other related mental dysfunction disorders and victims
202 who become lost. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be
203 disbursed to the Department of Public Safety or a nonprofit corporation organized
204 exclusively for the purpose of establishing a Project Lifesaver or similar type of program
205 by local law enforcement agencies.

206 (17) A special license plate for pediatric cancer to raise funds to support the treatment
207 of pediatric cancer. Such license plate shall not include a space for a county name decal
208 but shall instead bear the legend 'Cure Kids' Cancer' in lieu of the name of the county of
209 issuance. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to

210 the Department of Community Health to be deposited in the Indigent Care Trust Fund
211 created by Code Section 31-8-152 to fund pediatric cancer screening and treatment
212 related programs for those children who are medically indigent and may have cancer.

213 (18) A special license plate for the child care industry to promote the child care industry
214 by encouraging higher educational standards and providing for professional camaraderie
215 for child care providers. Such license plate shall not include a space for a county name
216 decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Support Improved Child Care' in lieu of the name
217 of the county of issuance. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall
218 be disbursed to the Minority Alliance for Child Care Development Advocates, Inc., for
219 the development of programs to help improve child care.

220 (19) A special license plate to display the motto, 'In God We Trust.' The funds raised by
221 the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Boy Scouts of America for
222 the development of scouting programs.

223 (20) A special license plate for child abuse prevention. Such license plate shall not
224 include a space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Prevent Child
225 Abuse' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance. The funds raised by the sale of this
226 special license plate shall be disbursed to the Foster Family Foundation of Georgia for
227 the development of programs to help victims of child abuse.

228 (21) A special license plate for the Thanks Mom and Dad Fund. The funds raised by the
229 sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Department of Human Services
230 to address the key needs of the state's older population or a nonprofit corporation
231 organized to serve the needs of the state's older population.

232 (22) A special license plate for pediatric cancer research. The funds raised by the sale
233 of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Joanna McAfee Childhood Cancer
234 Foundation for support of pediatric cancer research. The design of the special license
235 plate provided for in this paragraph shall include the words 'Joanna McAfee Childhood
236 Cancer Foundation' horizontally across the bottom of the plate in lieu of the county name.

237 (23) A special license plate for supporting beautification projects in Cobb County. The
238 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to Keep Cobb
239 Beautiful, Inc., for support of beautification projects in Cobb County.

240 (24) A special license plate for AID Atlanta. The funds raised by the sale of this special
241 license plate shall be disbursed to AID Atlanta which is committed to providing people
242 living with HIV the information and support they need to live healthy and productive
243 lives.

244 (25) A special license endorsing 'Support Our Troops.' The funds raised by the sale of
245 this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia National Guard Family Support
246 Foundation, Incorporated.

247 (26) A special license plate for the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The funds raised by
248 the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to Georgia Sons of Confederate
249 Veterans.

250 (27) A special license plate for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as 'Lou
251 Gehrig's disease,' to support research and education on amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. The
252 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the ALS
253 Association of Georgia.

254 (28) A special license plate for foster parents to support programs for foster parents in
255 Georgia. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to
256 The Adoptive and Foster Parent Association of Georgia, Inc., for support of foster parents
257 in Georgia.

258 (29) A special license plate for the Atlanta Braves Foundation to assist the charities
259 supported by the foundation. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate
260 shall be disbursed to the Department of Community Affairs or such other public agency
261 or nonprofit corporation as may be designated.

262 (30) A special license plate for the Atlanta Falcons Youth Foundation to assist the
263 charities supported by the foundation. The funds raised by the sale of this special license
264 plate shall be disbursed to the Atlanta Falcons Youth Foundation. Such license plate
265 shall not include a space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend
266 'Atlanta Falcons' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance.

267 (31) A special license plate for supporting beautification projects in Georgia. The funds
268 raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to Keep Georgia
269 Beautiful Foundation, Inc., for support of beautification projects in Georgia.

270 (32) A special license plate displaying the logo of Choose Life, Inc. The words 'Choose
271 Life' must appear at the bottom. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate
272 shall be disbursed to Choose Life of Georgia, Inc., to be distributed among nonprofit
273 corporations in Georgia that counsel women to consider adoption.

274 (33) A special license plate supporting education on the maritime history of Georgia's
275 coast. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to The
276 Georgia Maritime Foundation, Inc., for use in programs supporting education on the
277 maritime history of Georgia.

278 (34) A special license plate supporting programs for persons with brain related disorders
279 and disabilities. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be
280 disbursed to Pilot International for support of programs for persons with brain related
281 disorders in Georgia.

282 (35) A special license plate supporting agriculture in Georgia. The funds raised by the
283 sale of this special license plate shall be evenly split between Georgia 4-H and the

284 Georgia Association of Future Farmers of America to fund projects promoting agriculture
285 in Georgia.

286 (36) A special license plate promoting the Georgia equine industry. The funds raised by
287 the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Agricultural Commodity
288 Commission for Equines.

289 (37) A special license plate promoting African American history and tourism in Georgia.
290 The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to
291 organizations dedicated to the preservation of African American history in Georgia.

292 (38) A special license plate honoring veterans who have been awarded the Bronze Star.
293 The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the National
294 Guard Family Foundation.

295 (39) A special license plate promoting the arts in Georgia. The funds raised by the sale
296 of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia Council for the Arts.

297 (40) A special license plate supporting programs for the treatment of autism. The funds
298 raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Department of
299 Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities for the support of programs for the
300 treatment of autism in Georgia.

301 (41) A special license plate honoring the work of The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. The
302 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to The Garden Club
303 of Georgia, Inc., and used to fund scholarships that are awarded by the club.

304 (42) A special license plate promoting the Georgia Junior Golf Foundation. The funds
305 raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia Junior
306 Golf Foundation.

307 (43) A special license plate commemorating 100 years of scouting in the United States.
308 The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Boy
309 Scouts of America for the development of scouting programs.

310 (44) A special license plate supporting Cobb County Public Schools. The funds raised
311 by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Cobb County Public
312 Schools Educational Foundation and used to fund educational programs, grants to
313 teachers, and scholarships in the Cobb County Public School System.

314 (45) A special license plate supporting the Georgia Sea Turtle Center. The funds raised
315 by the sale of this special license plate shall be charged and disbursed to the Nongame
316 Wildlife Conservation and Wildlife Habitat Acquisition Fund and used to fund nongame
317 wildlife conservation and education programs. The design of the license plate provided
318 for in this paragraph shall include the words 'Jekyll Island – Georgia's Jewel' horizontally
319 across the bottom of the plate in lieu of the county name, with a diamond jewel symbol
320 in place of the dash.

321 (46) A special license plate commemorating and supporting the sport of soccer in
322 Georgia. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to
323 the Georgia State Soccer Association, Inc., for the development and promotion of soccer
324 programs in the State of Georgia. Such license plate shall not include a space for a
325 county decal but shall instead bear the legend 'gasoccer.org'.

326 (47) A special license plate for the Georgia Aquarium to support its mission as an
327 entertaining, educational, and scientific institution and to promote the conservation of
328 aquatic biodiversity throughout the world. The funds raised by the sale of this special
329 plate shall be disbursed to Georgia Aquarium, Inc. Such license plate shall not include
330 a space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Georgia Aquarium' in
331 lieu of the name of the county of issuance.

332 (48) A special license plate for Zoo Atlanta to support its mission to inspire the citizens
333 of Atlanta and Georgia and all visitors to the zoo to value wildlife on Earth; to help
334 safeguard existing species through conservation by providing for an informative,
335 educational, and engaging experience to all visitors; to carry out the responsible
336 stewardship of the animals and the zoo facility; and to engage in related conservation
337 activities and research. The funds raised by the sale of this special plate shall be
338 disbursed to the Atlanta-Fulton County Zoo, Inc. Such license plate shall not include a
339 space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Protect Wildlife' in lieu
340 of the name of the county of issuance.

341 (49) A special license plate supporting the Appalachian Trail. The funds raised by the
342 sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy
343 and used to protect, maintain, and conserve the Georgia portion of the Appalachian Trail
344 and connecting trails, and to promote awareness of wilderness, hiking, and back country
345 recreation. Such license plate shall not include a space for a county name decal but shall
346 instead bear the legend 'www.appalachiantrail.org'.

347 (50) A special license plate supporting the Atlanta Braves Foundation. The funds raised
348 by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of
349 this subsection to the Atlanta Braves Foundation and used in the foundation's
350 philanthropic activities and charitable sponsorships. Such license plate shall not include
351 a space for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend '~~Go Braves.~~ Go
352 Braves.'

353 (51) A special license plate for the Grady Health Foundation to support and improve the
354 quality of health care services. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate
355 shall be disbursed to the Grady Health Foundation.

356 (52) A special license plate honoring the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. The funds raised
 357 by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Georgia State Omega Psi
 358 Phi Foundation.

359 (53) A special license plate honoring Hampton University. The funds raised by the sale
 360 of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Hampton University Atlanta Chapter
 361 Alumni Association.

362 (54) A special license plate honoring Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. The funds raised by
 363 the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Zeta National Education
 364 Foundation, Inc.

365 (m)(1) The General Assembly has determined that the following special license plates
 366 supporting the agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations listed in this subsection shall be
 367 issued for the purposes indicated. The special license plates listed in this subsection shall
 368 be subject to a manufacturing fee, a special license plate fee, and a special license plate
 369 renewal fee. The revenue disbursement for the special license plates listed in this
 370 subsection shall be as follows:

371 (A) Manufacturing fee – \$25.00 of which \$24.00 is to be deposited into the general
 372 fund and \$1.00 is to be paid to the local county tag agent;

373 (B) Special license plate fee – \$35.00 of which \$13.00 is to be deposited into the
 374 general fund and \$22.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit
 375 corporation; and

376 (C) Special license plate renewal fee – \$35.00 of which \$13.00 is to be deposited into
 377 the general fund and \$22.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or
 378 nonprofit corporation.

379 (2) A special license plate promoting the United States Disabled Athletes Fund, for the
 380 support of disabled athletes. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate
 381 shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection to the United States
 382 Disabled Athletes Fund.

383 (3) A special license plate commemorating Civil War battlefields and historic sites. The
 384 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in
 385 paragraph (1) of this subsection to the Civil War Commission for the acquisition of Civil
 386 War battlefields and associated Civil War historic sites in this state and for the
 387 maintenance, protection, and interpretation of the same as provided by Article 5 of
 388 Chapter 7 of Title 50.

389 (4) A special license plate promoting historic preservation efforts. The funds raised by
 390 the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of this
 391 subsection to the Department of Natural Resources for use by the Historic Preservation

392 Division to fund historic preservation programs in the state through the Georgia historic
393 preservation grant program as otherwise authorized by law.

394 (5) A special license plate promoting bicycle safety. The funds raised by the sale of this
395 special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection to
396 the Governor's Highway Safety Program administered by the Office of Highway Safety
397 in the Department of Public Safety.

398 (6) A special license plate honoring families with a member serving in the military. The
399 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in
400 paragraph (1) of this subsection to the Department of Veterans Service for use by the
401 National Guard Foundation in carrying out such programs and purposes as may be
402 contractually agreed upon by the department and the foundation.

403 (7) A special license plate promoting 'Support Georgia Troops.' The funds raised by the
404 sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of this
405 subsection to the Department of Veterans Service for use by the National Guard
406 Foundation in carrying out such programs and purposes as may be contractually agreed
407 upon by the department and the foundation.

408 (8) A special license plate promoting NASCAR. The provisions of paragraph (1) of this
409 subsection notwithstanding, from the additional \$35.00 special license plate renewal fee
410 charged for the issuance and renewal of the NASCAR license plates authorized under this
411 paragraph, \$10.25 shall be used by the department for purchasing plates from the supplier
412 of the plates, as designated by NASCAR, and royalty costs, \$10.00 shall be deposited in
413 the general fund, and \$14.75 shall be disbursed to the Governor's Highway Safety
414 Program administered by the Office of Highway Safety in the Department of Public
415 Safety.

416 (9) A special license plate to support breast cancer related programs for the medically
417 indigent. The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection notwithstanding, from the
418 additional \$35.00 special license plate fee or special license plate renewal fee charged for
419 the issuance and renewal of breast cancer license plates authorized under this paragraph,
420 \$12.95 shall be deposited in the general fund and \$22.05 shall be deposited in the
421 Indigent Care Trust Fund created by Code Section 31-8-152 to fund cancer screening and
422 treatment related to programs for those persons who are medically indigent and may have
423 breast cancer. To the extent consistent with Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(i) of
424 the Constitution and Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 31, such programs may include
425 education, breast cancer screening, grants-in-aid to breast cancer victims, pharmacy
426 assistance programs for breast cancer victims, and other projects to encourage public
427 support for the special license plate and the activities which it funds. Such design shall
428 include a logo the same as the United States postal stamp supporting breast cancer

429 research and bearing the slogan 'Fund the Fight. Find A Cure.' over the sketch of a
430 woman and the breast cancer awareness pink ribbon symbol.

431 (10) A special license plate to support prostate cancer related awareness and research
432 programs. The provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection notwithstanding, from the
433 additional \$35.00 special license plate fee or special license plate renewal fee charged for
434 the issuance and renewal of prostate cancer license plates authorized under this
435 paragraph, \$13.00 shall be deposited in the general fund and \$22.00 shall be disbursed
436 to the Georgia Prostate Cancer Coalition to fund prostate cancer awareness, research,
437 screening, and treatment related programs.

438 (11) A special license plate to support lung cancer related awareness and research
439 programs. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as
440 provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection to the Joan Gaeta Lung Cancer Fund to fund
441 lung cancer awareness, screening, research, and treatment related programs.

442 (12) A special license plate to support Georgia nurses and charitable and philanthropic
443 efforts to support, advance, and promote the nursing profession. The funds raised by the
444 sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided in paragraph (1) of this
445 subsection to the Georgia Nurses Foundation of the Georgia Nurses Association for
446 carrying out such programs and purposes.

447 (13) A special license plate to support the law enforcement division of the Department
448 of Natural Resources in its protection of wildlife and natural and cultural resources of this
449 state, enforcement of boating, litter, and waste laws, teaching of hunter and boater
450 education classes, and provision of other public safety services to the citizens of this state.
451 The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed as provided
452 in paragraph (1) of this subsection to the Department of Natural Resources for use by the
453 law enforcement division for the purposes provided for in this paragraph.

454 (n)(1) The General Assembly recognizes that Code Section 12-3-600 mandates that the
455 best interests of the state are served by providing for the conservation of nongame species
456 of wildlife and has determined that the following special license plates supporting the
457 agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations listed in this subsection shall be issued for the
458 purposes indicated. The special license plates listed in this subsection shall be subject to
459 a special license plate fee and a special license plate renewal fee. The revenue
460 disbursement for the special license plates listed in this subsection shall be as follows:

461 (A) Special license plate fee – \$25.00 of which \$5.00 is to be deposited into the general
462 fund, \$1.00 is to be paid to the local county tag agent, and \$19.00 is to be dedicated to
463 the sponsoring agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation; and

464 (B) Special license plate renewal fee – \$25.00 of which \$5.00 is to be deposited into
465 the general fund and \$20.00 is to be dedicated to the sponsoring agency, fund, or
466 nonprofit corporation.

467 (2) A special license plate promoting the Nongame-Endangered Wildlife Program of the
468 Department of Natural Resources. The funds raised by the sale of this special license
469 plate shall be disbursed to the Nongame Wildlife Conservation and Wildlife Habitat
470 Acquisition Fund of the Department of Natural Resources for the purposes enumerated
471 in subsection (b) of Code Section 12-3-602. Such license plate shall not include a space
472 for a county name decal but shall instead bear the legend 'Give Wildlife a Chance' in lieu
473 of the name of the county of issuance.

474 (3) A special license plate promoting conservation and enhancement of trout populations.
475 The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Wildlife
476 Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources to supplement trout
477 restoration and management programs.

478 (4) A special license plate supporting the Bobwhite Quail Restoration Initiative. The
479 funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed to the Wildlife
480 Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources to conduct programs
481 designed to enhance the bobwhite quail population in this state. Such programs may
482 include the creation of habitat demonstration areas on state managed wildlife lands,
483 education programs, technical assistance to private landowners in the creation and
484 maintenance of bobwhite quail habitats on their lands, and projects to encourage public
485 support for the license plate and the activities it funds. The Department of Natural
486 Resources may enter into such contractual agreements as may be appropriate to further
487 the objectives of the Bobwhite Quail Restoration Initiative, including entering into
488 contractual agreements whereby private landowners, public agencies, or corporate entities
489 create, preserve, or enhance habitat for bobwhite quail in return for the payment of
490 incentives. Such license plate shall not include a space for a county decal but shall
491 instead bear the legend 'Support Wildlife' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance.

492 (5) A special license plate promoting marine habitat conservation, restoration, and
493 enhancement. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall be disbursed
494 to the Coastal Resources Division of the Department of Natural Resources to supplement
495 marine habitat conservation, restoration, and enhancement projects undertaken to increase
496 the abundance of marine fish and invertebrate species.

497 (6) A special license plate promoting a dog and cat reproductive sterilization program
498 for a nonprofit corporation. The funds raised by the sale of this special license plate shall
499 be disbursed to the Georgia Pet Foundation to be used for dog and cat reproductive

500 sterilization, including, but not limited to, grants to nonprofit corporations and vouchers
501 for discounted veterinary sterilization services.

502 (7) A special license plate promoting the dog and cat reproductive sterilization support
503 program of the Department of Agriculture. The funds raised by the sale of this special
504 license plate shall be disbursed to the Department of Agriculture and shall be deposited
505 in the special fund for support of the dog and cat reproductive sterilization support
506 program created by Code Section 4-15-1 and Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(m) of
507 the Constitution of the State of Georgia."

508 **SECTION 2.**

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