

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1999

SESSION LAW 1999-277  
SENATE BILL 235

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE  
"KIDS FIRST" SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

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

...

(20a) Kids First. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate may bear the phrase "Kids First" and a logo of children's hands."

Section 2. G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of charge one registration plate to a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, a 100% disabled veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war. 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:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
Historical Attraction	\$30.00
State Attraction	\$30.00
Collegiate Insignia	\$25.00
<u>Kids First</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
Olympic Games	\$25.00
Special Olympics	\$25.00
March of Dimes	\$20.00
Scenic Rivers	\$20.00
School Technology	\$20.00
Soil and Water Conservation	\$20.00
Wildlife Resources	\$20.00
Personalized	\$20.00
Active Member of the National Guard	None
Purple Heart Recipient	None
All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

Section 3. G.S. 20-79.7(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway Fund. The Division must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration plates listed in subsection (a) among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), and the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, as follows:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>
Historical Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
In-State Collegiate Insignia	\$10	\$15	0
<u>Kids First</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$15</u>	<u>0</u>
Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15
Personalized	\$10	0	\$10
Special Olympics	\$10	\$15	0
Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0
State Attraction	\$10	\$20	0
March of Dimes	\$10	\$10	0
Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0
School Technology	\$10	\$10	0
Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0
Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0
All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0".

Section 4. G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(b9) Kids First Plates. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for a Kids First plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of Kids First plates to the North Carolina Children's Trust Fund established in G.S. 7B-1302."

Section 5. G.S. 7B-1302 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 7B-1302. Children's Trust Fund.**

There is established a fund to be known as the "Children's Trust Fund," in the Department of State Treasurer, which shall be funded ~~pursuant to G.S. 161-11.1, and which by a portion of the marriage license fee under G.S. 161-11.1 and a portion of the special license plate fee under G.S. 20-81.12.~~ The money in the Fund shall be used by the State Board of Education to fund abuse and neglect prevention programs so authorized by this Article."

Section 6. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 1st day of July, 1999.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr.  
Governor

Approved 10:47 p.m. this 11th day of July, 1999