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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES: UNITED STATES ARMY SPECIAL FORCES, MORROW MOUNTAIN STATE PARK, "KICK CANCER FOR KIDS," THE BIG ROCK BLUE MARLIN TOURNAMENT, AND THE NORTH CAROLINA TROOPERS ASSOCIATION; TO ELIMINATE THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FEE FOR DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS AND AIR MEDAL RECIPIENT SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ORDER OF THE LONG LEAF PINE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE TO BE ON A FULL COLOR BACKGROUND; TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS TO PRODUCE MILITARY COLLEGE PLATES; AND TO INCREASE THE FEE FOR THE KAPPA ALPHA PSI SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE.

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.~~ the required number of applications set forth in G.S. 20-79.3A(a).

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(54) Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

(55) Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament."

SECTION 2. G.S. 20-79.4(b) reads as rewritten:

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

...
() Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the words "Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament" and include a representation of a blue marlin.

...
() Kick Cancer for Kids. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the words "Kick



Cancer for Kids" and a representation of a gold ribbon with children's handprints surrounding the ribbon.

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() Morrow Mountain State Park. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the phrase "Morrow Mountain State Park" and a logo designed by the Friends of Morrow Mountain State Park. This plate is not subject to the provisions of G.S. 20-79.3A except for the minimum number of required paid applications required under subsection (a) of that section.

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() North Carolina Troopers Association. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear a phrase and logo selected by the North Carolina Troopers Association, Inc. This plate is not subject to the provisions of G.S. 20-79.3A except for the minimum number of required paid applications required under subsection (a) of that section.

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() United States Army Special Forces. – Issuable to a member or veteran of the United States Army Special Forces. The plate shall bear the name "United States Army Special Forces" and the insignia of the United States Army Special Forces. This plate is not subject to the provisions of G.S. 20-79.3A except for the minimum number of required paid applications required under subsection (a) of that section.

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SECTION 3. G.S. 20-79.7 reads as rewritten:

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

(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:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>Additional Fee Amount</u>
Back Country Horsemen of NC	Expired July 1, 2016
<u>Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
Boy Scouts of America	Expired July 1, 2016
In God We Trust	\$30.00
<u>Kick Cancer for Kids</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
Morgan Horse Club	Expired July 1, 2016
<u>Morrow Mountain State Park</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
Mountains-to-Sea Trail	\$30.00
North Carolina Sheriffs' Association	\$30.00
<u>North Carolina Troopers Association</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
Kappa Alpha Order	Expired July 1, 2016
<u>Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
Active Member of the National Guard	None
<u>Air Medal Recipient</u>	<u>None</u>

1	100% Disabled Veteran	None
2	<u>Distinguished Flying Cross</u>	<u>None</u>
3	Ex-Prisoner of War	None
4	Silver Star Recipient	None
5	<u>United States Army Special Forces</u>	<u>None</u>
6	All Other Special Plates	\$10.00."

7 (b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the Collegiate
 8 and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway Fund. The Division
 9 must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration plates listed in subsection (a)
 10 of this section among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the Collegiate and
 11 Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), the Clean Water Management Trust Fund
 12 (CWMTF), which is established under G.S. 143B-135.234, and the Parks and Recreation Trust
 13 Fund, which is established under G.S. 143B-135.56, as follows:

14	<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>CWMTF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>
15	...				
16	<u>Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
17	...				
18	<u>Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
19	<u>Kick Cancer for Kids</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
20	Kids First	\$10	\$15	0	0
21	...				
22	<u>Morrow Mountain State Park</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
23	...				
24	<u>North Carolina Troopers Association</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
25"				

26 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-81.12 reads as rewritten:

27 "**§ 20-81.12. Collegiate insignia plates and certain other special plates.**

28 (a) Collegiate Insignia Plates. – ~~The~~ Except for a collegiate insignia plate for a public
 29 military college or university, the Division must receive 300 or more applications for a
 30 collegiate insignia license plate for a college or university before a collegiate license plate may
 31 be developed. For a collegiate insignia license plate for a public military college or university,
 32 the Division must receive 100 or more applications before a collegiate license plate may be
 33 developed. The color, design, and material for the plate must be approved by both the Division
 34 and the alumni or alumnae association of the appropriate college or university. The Division
 35 must transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account
 36 derived from the sale of in-State collegiate insignia plates to the Board of Governors of The
 37 University of North Carolina for in-State, public colleges and universities and to the respective
 38 board of trustees for in-State, private colleges and universities in proportion to the number of
 39 collegiate plates sold representing that institution for use for academic enhancement.

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 41 (b155) Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. – The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the
 42 Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of Kappa Alpha Psi
 43 Fraternity plates to the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., to provide funding for scholarships,
 44 education, and professional development, or similar programs. None of the proceeds from this
 45 special plate may be distributed to any board member as compensation or as an honorarium.

46 (b156) Kick Cancer for Kids. – The applicable requirements of G.S. 20-79.3A shall be met
 47 before the Kick Cancer for Kids plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly
 48 the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of
 49 Kick Cancer for Kids plates as follows:

- 50 (1) Fifty percent (50%) to The Children's Oncology Group Foundation to be
 51 used to provide support for the mission and goals of the Foundation.

1 (2) Fifty percent (50%) to Riley's Army, Inc., to be used to provide support to
2 children with cancer and their families.

3 **(b157) Morrow Mountain State Park.** – The Division must receive 300 or more applications
4 for the Morrow Mountain State Park plate before the plate may be developed. The Division
5 shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account
6 derived from the sale of Morrow Mountain State Park plates to the Friends of Morrow
7 Mountain State Park to be used to provide support for the organization.

8 **(b158) Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament.** – The Division must receive 300 or more
9 applications for the Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament plate before the plate may be
10 developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural
11 Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament plates to
12 the Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament to be used to fund charities in North Carolina.

13 **(b159) North Carolina Troopers Association.** – The Division must receive 300 or more
14 applications for the North Carolina Troopers Association plate before the plate may be
15 developed. The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural
16 Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of North Carolina Troopers Association plates
17 to the North Carolina Troopers Association, Inc., to support the operating expenses of the
18 North Carolina Troopers Association."

19 **SECTION 5.** The Revisor of Statutes is authorized to alphabetize, number, and
20 renumber the special registration plates listed in G.S. 20-79.4(b) to ensure that all the special
21 registration plates are listed in alphabetical order and numbered accordingly.

22 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.