

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1971 SESSION

CHAPTER 601  
HOUSE BILL 990

AN ACT TO PROVIDE DISTINCTIVE REGISTRATION PLATES FOR MEMBERS OF  
THE NORTH CAROLINA WING OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

**Section 1.** Part 5 of Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is hereby amended by adding a new section to be designated G.S. 20-81.5 and to read as follows:

"§ 20-81.5. **Civil Air Patrol plates.** — (a) The Commissioner shall cause to be made each year sufficient number of automobile license plates to furnish each member of the North Carolina Wing of the Civil Air Patrol with one thereof, said license plates to be in the same form and character as other license plates now or hereinafter authorized by law to be used upon private passenger vehicles registered in this State, except that such license plates shall bear on the face thereof the following: the words 'North Carolina', the year designation, and the words 'Civil Air Patrol'. The said license plates shall be issued only to members of the North Carolina Wing of the Civil Air Patrol and for each license plate the Commissioner shall collect a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) in addition to the fees in an amount equal to the fees collected for the licensing and registering of private vehicles. The Commander of the North Carolina Wing of the Civil Air Patrol shall furnish the Commissioner annually with a list of the number of such distinctive plates required accompanied by the \$5.00 fee referred to hereinabove and such list shall contain the rank of each officer listed in order of his seniority in the North Carolina Civil Air Patrol. The said license plates to be set aside for officer personnel shall be numbered beginning with the number 201 and running in numerical sequence thereafter up to and including the number 500, according to seniority; the senior officer being issued the plate bearing the number 201. Enlisted personnel, senior members and cadet members applying for such distinctive plates shall, upon application and payment of the required fee, receive such plates in numerical sequence beginning with the number 501. Applications for such distinctive license plates shall be on forms as may be agreed upon by the Wing Commander of the North Carolina Civil Air Patrol and the Department of Motor Vehicles. If a holder of such a distinctive license plate shall be discharged from the North Carolina Civil Air Patrol under other than honorable conditions, he shall within 30 days exchange such distinctive plate for a standard plate.

(b) The revenue derived from the additional fee for such plates shall be placed in a separate fund designated the 'Civil Air Patrol Registration Plate Fund'. After deducting the cost of the plates, plus budgetary requirements for handling and issuance to be determined by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, any remaining moneys derived from the additional fee for such plates shall be periodically transferred to the State Highway Commission as provided in G.S. 20-181.3(c)(2)."

**Sec. 2.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 17th day of June, 1971.