NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 855 (Second Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Various Special Registration Plates

SPONSOR(S):

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Yes (X) No () No Estimate Available ()

	FY 2003-04	FY 2004-05	FY 2005-06	FY 2006-07	FY 2007-08
REVENUES					
Highway Fund - Special Registration Plate Acct.	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000	\$21,000
Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Acct.	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500	\$13,500

EXPENDITURES

Highway Fund - Special

Registration Plate Acct. \$7,000

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &

PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Department of Transportation - Division of Motor Vehicles

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act is effective when it becomes law.

BILL SUMMARY: This bill authorizes the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue a special registration plate for Alternative Fuel Vehicles, the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation, Breast Cancer Awareness, Mothers Against Driving Drunk, Retired Law Enforcement Officers, Surveyors, and the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority if at least 300 applications for each plate are received. The bill also allows the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation special plate to have a different background other than the "First in Flight" plate background.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

This fiscal note assumes that applicants for these special plates already register their vehicles in the state and are paying the current \$20 registration fee, thus there is no new revenue for the Highway Fund. The note also assumes the issuance of the minimum 300 license plates in FY 2003-04 and renewal of those plates in the following years. There is a one-time cost of \$100 to design the new plate and a one-time production cost of approximately \$3.00 per plate. For

300 plates, the total production cost is \$1,000 and is paid from the Special Registration Plate Account.

In addition to the normal \$20 registration fee, each plate is assessed a \$10 fee that is deposited into the Special Registration Plate Account. Three of the plates have additional fees that are deposited into the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account then transferred to specific organizations. The Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation plate has an additional \$20 fee that is to be credited to the Foundation for use in promoting and preserving the Blue Ridge Parkway as a scenic attraction in North Carolina. The Surveyors' plate has an additional \$15 fee to be given to the North Carolina Society of Surveyors Education Foundation, Inc. for public educational programs. The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority plate has an additional \$10 fee to be given to the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Foundation for funding undergraduate scholarships.

SOURCES OF DATA: Department of Transportation - Division of Motor Vehicles

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