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COMMITTEE REPORT

March 25, 2009

**S. 120**

Introduced by Senators Knotts and Rose

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Read the first time January 13, 2009.

**THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

To whom was referred a Bill (S. 120) to amend Section 56‑3‑9910, as amended, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the Department of Motor Vehicles’ issuance of Gold Star Family, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass with amendment:

Amend the bill, as and if amended, by striking all after the enacting words and inserting:

/ SECTION 1. Section 56‑3‑9910 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 347 of 2008, is further amended to read:

“Section 56‑3‑9910. (A) The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue ‘Gold Star Family’ special license plates to owners of private passenger motor vehicles as defined in Section 56‑3‑630 registered in their names who are immediate family members of members of the armed forces killed in action. ~~The~~ There is no fee for this special license plate ~~must be the regular motor vehicle license fee contained in Article 5, Chapter 3 of this title and the special fee required by Section 56‑3‑2020~~. The license plates issued pursuant to this section must conform to a design agreed to by the department and the chief executive officer of the South Carolina Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. or other similar organization operating in this State. ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the fees collected for the special license plate, the Comptroller General shall place sufficient funds into a special restricted account to be used by the Department of Motor Vehicles to defray the expenses of the Department of Motor Vehicles in producing and administering the special plate.~~

(B) Notwithstanding another provision of law, the provisions contained in Section 56‑3‑8000(B) and (C) do not apply to the production and distribution of ‘Gold Star Family’ special license plates.

(C) For the purposes of this section, ‘immediate family member’ means a person who is a spouse, a child, claimed as a dependent for income tax purposes, or a sibling.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor. / Amend title to conform.

LAWRENCE K. GROOMS for Committee.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56‑3‑9910, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES’ ISSUANCE OF GOLD STAR FAMILY SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE FEE FOR THIS SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE IS THE DEPARTMENT’S COST TO PRODUCE IT AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE PRODUCTION OF THIS LICENSE PLATE IS EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION 56‑3‑8000(B) AND (C).

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 56‑3‑9910 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 347 of 2008, is further amended to read:

“Section 56‑3‑9910. (A) The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue ‘Gold Star Family’ special license plates to owners of private passenger motor vehicles as defined in Section 56‑3‑630 registered in their names. The fee for this special license plate ~~must be the regular motor vehicle license fee contained in Article 5, Chapter 3 of this title and the special fee required by Section 56‑3‑2020~~ is the department’s cost to produce this license plate. The license plates issued pursuant to this section must conform to a design agreed to by the department and the chief executive officer of the South Carolina Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. or other similar organization operating in this State. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the fees collected for the special license plate, the Comptroller General shall place sufficient funds into a special restricted account to be used by the Department of Motor Vehicles to defray the expenses of the Department of Motor Vehicles in producing and administering the special plate.

(B) Notwithstanding another provision of law, the provisions contained in Section 56‑3‑8000(B) and (C) do not apply to the production and distribution of ‘Gold Star Family’ special license plates.”

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