**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING ARTICLE 108 TO CHAPTER 3, TITLE 56 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF “DON’T TREAD ON ME” SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 3, Title 56 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Article 108

Don’t Tread on Me Special License Plates

Section 56‑3‑10810. (A) The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue special motor vehicle license plates to owners of private passenger carrying motor vehicles, as defined in Section 56‑3‑630, or motorcycles registered in their names which must have imprinted on the plate ‘Don’t Tread on Me’ and a rattlesnake coiled and ready to strike. This special license plate must be of the same size and general design of regular motor vehicle license plates. This special license plate must be issued or revalidated for a biennial period which expires twenty‑four months from the month it is issued.

The fee charged for this special license plate is thirty dollars every two years in addition to the regular motor vehicle license fee contained in Article 5 of this chapter. From the fees collected pursuant to this section, the Comptroller General shall place sufficient funds into a special account to be used by the department to defray the cost associated with producing and administering the distribution of the license plate. The remaining revenue must be placed in the General Fund.

(B) The guidelines for the production of a special license plate under this section must meet the requirements of Section 56‑3‑8100.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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