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HOUSE BILL 466

Short Title: Birthplace of Am. Independence Special Plate. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives R. Pierce, Branson, Cotham, and Miller (Primary Sponsors).  
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March 24, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-63(b1) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"() Birthplace of American Independence."

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

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

...

() Birthplace of American Independence. – Issuable to a registered owner of a motor vehicle. The plate shall have a blue background and bear a logo with a feather pen and the phrase "Birthplace of American Independence" with red and white lettering and a design commemorating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Halifax Resolves in Halifax, North Carolina, on April 12, 1776.

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**SECTION 3.** G.S. 20-79.7(a1) reads as rewritten:

"(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>
...	
Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament	\$30.00
<u>Birthplace of American Independence</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
Boy Scouts of America	Expired July 1, 2016
...."	

**SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-79.7(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Distribution of Fees. – The Special Registration Plate Account and the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway Fund. The Division must credit the additional fee imposed for the special registration plates listed in subsection (a1) of this section among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), the North Carolina Land and Water Fund (NCLWF), which is established under G.S. 143B-135.234, and the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, which is established under G.S. 143B-135.56, as follows:



	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NCLWF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>
1 <u>Special Plate</u>				
2 ...				
3 Big Rock Blue Marlin				
4 Tournament	\$10	\$20	0	0
5 <u>Birthplace of American</u>				
6 <u>Independence</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Boy Scouts of America				
8 ...."				

**SECTION 5.** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(Q) Birthplace of American Independence. – The Division shall transfer quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the sale of "Birthplace of American Independence" plates to Halifax County Business Horizons, Inc., to support commemorative and educational activities in conjunction with the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Halifax Resolves."

**SECTION 6.** The Revisor of Statutes is authorized to alphabetize, number, and renumber the special registration plates listed in G.S. 20-63(b1), 20-79.4(b), 20-79.7(a1) and (b), and 20-81.12 to ensure that all the special registration plates are listed in alphabetical order and numbered accordingly.

**SECTION 7.** This act is effective when it becomes law.