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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING article 60 to chapter 3, title 56 SO AS TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLEs MAY ISSUE “AUTIstic AND NEURODIVERGENT” SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES.

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

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

Article 60

“Autistic and Neurodivergent Special License Plates”

 Section 56-3-7100. The Department of Motor Vehicles may issue “Autistic and Neurodivergent” special motor vehicle license plates to owners of private passenger-carrying motor vehicles registered in their names who are autistic or neurodivergent or who are parents of children who are autistic or neurodivergent. The application for this special motor vehicle license plate must include an original certificate from a licensed physician that certifies the applicant, or his child is autistic or neurodivergent. The fee for each special license plate is the regular motor vehicle license fee set forth in Article 5. Each special license plate must be of the same size and general design of regular motor vehicle license plates and contain the “Just Bee” icon as identification for autistic or neurodivergent individuals. Each special license plate must be issued or revalidated for a biennial period which expires twenty-four months from the month the special license plate is issued.

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

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