

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 542

Short Title: Charlotte Checkers Special Plate. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Carney, Cotham, Earle, and Samuelson (Primary Sponsors).
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Referred to: Transportation, if favorable, Finance.

April 4, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A
SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE FOR THE CHARLOTTE CHECKERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-79.4(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

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

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() Charlotte Checkers. – Issuable to the registered owner of a motor vehicle in accordance with G.S. 20-81.12. The plate shall bear the phrase "GOCHECKERS.COM" and the logo of the Charlotte Checkers.

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SECTION 2. G.S. 20-79.7(a) reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-79.7. **Fees for special registration plates and distribution of the fees.**

(a) Fees. – Upon request, the Division shall provide and issue free of charge a single Legion of Valor, 100% Disabled Veteran, and Ex-Prisoner of War registration plate to a recipient of a Legion of Valor award, a 100% disabled veteran, and an ex-prisoner of war each year. The preceding special registration plates are subject to the regular motor vehicle registration fees in G.S. 20-88, if the registered weight of the vehicle is greater than 6,000 pounds. 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:

Special Plate	Additional Fee Amount
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Buffalo Soldiers	\$25.00
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<u>Charlotte Checkers</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
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Choose Life	\$25.00
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SECTION 3. 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 (a) of this section among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), the Natural Heritage Trust Fund (NHTF), which is established under G.S. 113-77.7, and the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, which is established under G.S. 113-44.15, as follows:

<u>Special Plate</u>	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>	<u>PRTF</u>
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2	Carolinas Golf Association	\$10	\$20	0	0
3	<u>Charlotte Checkers</u>	<u>\$10</u>	<u>\$15</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
4	Choose Life	\$10	\$15	0	0
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6 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 20-81.12 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 "(b126) Charlotte Checkers. – The Division must receive 300 or more applications for a
8 Charlotte Checkers plate before the plate may be developed. The Division shall transfer
9 quarterly the money in the Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account derived from the
10 sale of Charlotte Checkers plates to the Charlotte Checkers Charitable Foundation to support
11 school programming, athletics, and various children's related non-profit groups that promote
12 and encourage education, physical fitness, and development of character."

13 **SECTION 5.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.