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**A B I L L**

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 1  
4503.496 of the Revised Code to create "Sickle 2  
Cell Anemia Awareness" license plates. 3

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 4501.21 be amended and section 4  
4503.496 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 5

**Sec. 4501.21.** (A) There is hereby created in the state 6  
treasury the license plate contribution fund. The fund shall 7  
consist of all contributions paid by motor vehicle registrants and 8  
collected by the registrar of motor vehicles pursuant to sections 9  
4503.491, 4503.493, 4503.496, 4503.50, 4503.501, 4503.502, 10  
4503.51, 4503.522, 4503.545, 4503.55, 4503.551, 4503.552, 11  
4503.561, 4503.562, 4503.591, 4503.67, 4503.68, 4503.69, 4503.71, 12  
4503.711, 4503.72, 4503.73, 4503.74, 4503.75, and 4503.85 of the 13  
Revised Code. 14

(B) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 15  
collects in the fund as follows: 16

(1) The registrar shall pay the contributions received 17  
pursuant to section 4503.491 of the Revised Code to the breast 18

cancer fund of Ohio, which shall use that money only to pay for 19  
programs that provide assistance and education to Ohio breast 20  
cancer patients and that improve access for such patients to 21  
quality health care and clinical trials and shall not use any of 22  
the money for abortion information, counseling, services, or other 23  
abortion-related activities. 24

(2) The registrar shall pay the contributions received 25  
pursuant to section 4503.493 of the Revised Code to the autism 26  
society of Ohio, which shall use the contributions for programs 27  
and autism awareness efforts throughout the state. 28

(3) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 29  
receives pursuant to section 4503.496 of the Revised Code to the 30  
Ohio sickle cell and health association, which shall use the 31  
contributions to help support educational, clinical, and social 32  
support services for adults who have sickle cell disease. 33

(4) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 34  
receives pursuant to section 4503.50 of the Revised Code to the 35  
future farmers of America foundation, which shall deposit the 36  
contributions into its general account to be used for educational 37  
and scholarship purposes of the future farmers of America 38  
foundation. 39

~~(4)~~(5) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 40  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.501 of the Revised 41  
Code to the 4-H youth development program of the Ohio state 42  
university extension program, which shall use those contributions 43  
to pay the expenses it incurs in conducting its educational 44  
activities. 45

~~(5)~~(6) The registrar shall pay the contributions received 46  
pursuant to section 4503.502 of the Revised Code to the Ohio 47  
cattlemen's foundation, which shall use those contributions for 48  
scholarships and other educational activities. 49

~~(6)~~(7) The registrar shall pay each contribution the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.51 of the Revised Code to the university or college whose name or marking or design appears on collegiate license plates that are issued to a person under that section. A university or college that receives contributions from the fund shall deposit the contributions into its general scholarship fund.

~~(7)~~(8) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.522 of the Revised Code to the "friends of Perry's victory and international peace memorial, incorporated," a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of this state, to assist that organization in paying the expenses it incurs in sponsoring or holding charitable, educational, and cultural events at the monument.

~~(8)~~(9) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.55 of the Revised Code to the pro football hall of fame, which shall deposit the contributions into a special bank account that it establishes and which shall be separate and distinct from any other account the pro football hall of fame maintains, to be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the pro football hall of fame as a travel destination.

~~(9)~~(10) The registrar shall pay the contributions that are paid to the registrar pursuant to section 4503.545 of the Revised Code to the national rifle association foundation, which shall use the money to pay the costs of the educational activities and programs the foundation holds or sponsors in this state.

~~(10)~~(11) In accordance with section 955.202 of the Revised Code, the registrar shall pay to the pets program funding board created by that section the contributions the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.551 of the Revised Code and any other money from any other source, including donations, gifts, and

grants, that is designated by the source to be paid to the pets 82  
program funding board. The board shall use the moneys it receives 83  
under this section only to support programs for the sterilization 84  
of dogs and cats and for educational programs concerning the 85  
proper veterinary care of those animals. 86

~~(11)~~(12) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 87  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.552 of the Revised 88  
Code to the rock and roll hall of fame and museum, incorporated. 89

~~(12)~~(13) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 90  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.561 of the Revised 91  
Code to the state of Ohio chapter of ducks unlimited, inc., which 92  
shall deposit the contributions into a special bank account that 93  
it establishes. The special bank account shall be separate and 94  
distinct from any other account the state of Ohio chapter of ducks 95  
unlimited, inc., maintains and shall be used exclusively for the 96  
purpose of protecting, enhancing, restoring, and managing wetlands 97  
and conserving wildlife habitat. The state of Ohio chapter of 98  
ducks unlimited, inc., annually shall notify the registrar in 99  
writing of the name, address, and account to which payments are to 100  
be made under division (B)~~(12)~~(13) of this section. 101

~~(13)~~(14) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 102  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.562 of the Revised 103  
Code to the Mahoning river consortium, which shall use the money 104  
to pay the expenses it incurs in restoring and maintaining the 105  
Mahoning river watershed. 106

~~(14)~~(15)(a) The registrar shall pay to a sports commission 107  
created pursuant to section 4503.591 of the Revised Code each 108  
contribution the registrar receives under that section that an 109  
applicant pays to obtain license plates that bear the logo of a 110  
professional sports team located in the county of that sports 111  
commission and that is participating in the license plate program 112  
pursuant to division (E) of that section, irrespective of the 113

county of residence of an applicant. 114

(b) The registrar shall pay to a community charity each 115  
contribution the registrar receives under section 4503.591 of the 116  
Revised Code that an applicant pays to obtain license plates that 117  
bear the logo of a professional sports team that is participating 118  
in the license plate program pursuant to division (G) of that 119  
section. 120

~~(15)~~(16) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 121  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.67 of the Revised Code 122  
to the Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council 123  
shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner 124  
throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts. 125

~~(16)~~(17) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 126  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.68 of the Revised Code 127  
to the great river council of the girl scouts of the United States 128  
of America. The council shall distribute all contributions in an 129  
equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of the 130  
girl scouts. 131

~~(17)~~(18) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 132  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.69 of the Revised Code 133  
to the Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council 134  
shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner 135  
throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts. 136

~~(18)~~(19) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 137  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.71 of the Revised Code 138  
to the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which 139  
shall deposit the fees into its general account to be used for 140  
purposes of the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated. 141

~~(19)~~(20) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 142  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.711 of the Revised 143  
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Code to the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which 145  
shall deposit the contributions into an account that it creates to 146  
be used for the purpose of advancing and protecting the law 147  
enforcement profession, promoting improved law enforcement 148  
methods, and teaching respect for law and order. 149

~~(20)~~(21) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 150  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.72 of the Revised Code 151  
to the organization known on March 31, 2003, as the Ohio CASA/GAL 152  
association, a private, nonprofit corporation organized under 153  
Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code. The Ohio CASA/GAL association 154  
shall use these contributions to pay the expenses it incurs in 155  
administering a program to secure the proper representation in the 156  
courts of this state of abused, neglected, and dependent children, 157  
and for the training and supervision of persons participating in 158  
that program. 159

~~(21)~~(22) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 160  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.73 of the Revised Code 161  
to Wright B. Flyer, incorporated, which shall deposit the 162  
contributions into its general account to be used for purposes of 163  
Wright B. Flyer, incorporated. 164

~~(22)~~(23) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 165  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.74 of the Revised Code 166  
to the Columbus zoological park association, which shall disburse 167  
the moneys to Ohio's major metropolitan zoos, as defined in 168  
section 4503.74 of the Revised Code, in accordance with a written 169  
agreement entered into by the major metropolitan zoos. 170

~~(23)~~(24) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 171  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.75 of the Revised Code 172  
to the rotary foundation, located on March 31, 2003, in Evanston, 173  
Illinois, to be placed in a fund known as the permanent fund and 174  
used to endow educational and humanitarian programs of the rotary 175  
foundation. 176

~~(24)~~(25) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 177  
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.85 of the Revised Code 178  
to the Ohio sea grant college program to be used for Lake Erie 179  
area research projects. 180

(C) All investment earnings of the license plate contribution 181  
fund shall be credited to the fund. Not later than the first day 182  
of May of every year, the registrar shall distribute to each 183  
entity described in ~~divisions~~ division (B)~~(1)~~ to ~~(24)~~ of this 184  
section the investment income the fund earned the previous 185  
calendar year. The amount of such a distribution paid to an entity 186  
shall be proportionate to the amount of money the entity received 187  
from the fund during the previous calendar year. 188

Sec. 4503.496. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, 189  
noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or 190  
other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor 191  
vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the 192  
vehicle and issuance of "sickle cell anemia awareness" license 193  
plates. The application may be combined with a request for a 194  
special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of 195  
the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and 196  
compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this 197  
section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the 198  
appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "sickle cell anemia 199  
awareness" license plates and a validation sticker, or a 200  
validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the 201  
Revised Code. 202

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed 203  
on the license plates, "sickle cell anemia awareness" license 204  
plates shall bear words selected by and a logo designed by the 205  
Ohio sickle cell and health association. The registrar shall 206  
approve the final design. "Sickle cell anemia awareness" license 207

plates shall display county identification stickers that identify 208  
the county of registration by name or number. 209

(B) "Sickle cell anemia awareness" license plates and a 210  
validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued 211  
upon receipt of an application for registration of a motor vehicle 212  
under this section; payment of the regular license tax as 213  
prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any 214  
applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of 215  
the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee prescribed by 216  
section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, an additional fee 217  
of ten dollars, and a contribution as provided in division (C) of 218  
this section; and compliance with all other applicable laws 219  
relating to the registration of motor vehicles. 220

(C) The registrar shall collect a contribution of ten dollars 221  
for each application for registration and registration renewal 222  
notice the registrar receives under this section. The registrar 223  
shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for 224  
deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the license plate 225  
contribution fund created by section 4501.21 of the Revised Code. 226

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten 227  
dollars, which is to compensate the bureau of motor vehicles for 228  
the additional services required in the issuing of "sickle cell 229  
anemia awareness" license plates, to the treasurer of state for 230  
deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau 231  
of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised 232  
Code. 233

**Section 2.** That existing section 4501.21 of the Revised Code 234  
is hereby repealed. 235

**Section 3.** Section 4501.21 of the Revised Code is presented 236  
in this act as a composite of the section as amended by both Am. 237  
Sub. H.B. 68 and Sub. H.B. 298 of the 126th General Assembly. The 238



General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) of 239  
section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be 240  
harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds 241  
that the composite is the resulting version of the section in 242  
effect prior to the effective date of the section as presented in 243  
this act. 244