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A BILL

To enact section 4503.723 of the Revised Code to 1
create the "Stop Bullying" license plate. 2

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

Section 1. That section 4503.723 of the Revised Code be 3
enacted to read as follows: 4

Sec. 4503.723. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger 5
car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other 6
vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles 7
may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle 8
and issuance of "Stop Bullying" license plates. An application 9
made under this section may be combined with a request for a 10
special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 11
of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application 12
and compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of 13
this section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the 14
appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "Stop Bullying" 15
license plates and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker 16
alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code. 17

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily 18
inscribed on the license plates, "Stop Bullying" license plates 19
shall be inscribed with identifying words or markings that are 20
designed by the attorney general and that are approved by the 21
registrar. "Stop Bullying" license plates shall display county 22
identification stickers that identify the county of registration 23
as required under section 4503.19 of the Revised Code. 24

(B) "Stop Bullying" license plates and a validation 25
sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon 26
receipt of an application for registration of a motor vehicle 27
under this section; payment of the regular license tax as 28
prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any 29
applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. 30
of the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee prescribed by 31
section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, an additional 32
administrative fee of ten dollars, and a contribution as 33
provided in division (C) (1) of this section; and compliance with 34
all other applicable laws relating to the registration of motor 35
vehicles. 36

(C) (1) For each application for registration and 37
registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this 38
section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of twenty- 39
five dollars. The registrar shall transmit this contribution 40
into the state treasury to the credit of the stop bullying 41
license plate contribution fund created in division (D) of this 42
section. 43

(2) The registrar shall deposit the bureau administrative 44
fee of ten dollars, the purpose of which is to compensate the 45
bureau for additional services required in the issuing of "Stop 46
Bullying" license plates, into the state treasury to the credit 47

of the public safety - highway purposes fund created in section 48
4501.06 of the Revised Code. 49

(D) There is hereby created in the state treasury the stop 50
bullying license plate contribution fund. The fund shall consist 51
of money deposited into it by the registrar under this section 52
and any money appropriated to the fund by the general assembly 53
or donated to the fund by any source, public or private. The 54
attorney general or the attorney general's designee shall use 55
money in the fund to issue grants to nonprofit organizations 56
that provide bullying prevention training programs or 57
educational opportunities. A nonprofit organization that 58
receives a grant under this section shall use the grant to 59
provide such training programs or educational opportunities. The 60
attorney general shall approve the nonprofit organizations that 61
receive grants and the amounts paid to each such nonprofit 62
organization. 63