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**Senator Hughes**

**Cosponsors: Senators Patton, LaRose**

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**A BILL**

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 1  
4503.87 of the Revised Code to create the 2  
"Baseball for All" license plate and to require 3  
the contributions received from the issuance of 4  
such license plates to be used to build, 5  
maintain, and improve youth baseball fields 6  
within the municipal corporation of Grove City. 7

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

**Section 1.** That section 4501.21 be amended and section 8  
4503.87 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 9

**Sec. 4501.21.** (A) There is hereby created in the state 10  
treasury the license plate contribution fund. The fund shall 11  
consist of all contributions paid by motor vehicle registrants 12  
and collected by the registrar of motor vehicles pursuant to 13  
sections 4503.491, 4503.492, 4503.493, 4503.494, 4503.496, 14  
4503.498, 4503.499, 4503.50, 4503.501, 4503.502, 4503.505, 15  
4503.51, 4503.522, 4503.523, 4503.524, 4503.525, 4503.526, 16  
4503.531, 4503.534, 4503.545, 4503.55, 4503.551, 4503.552, 17  
4503.553, 4503.554, 4503.561, 4503.562, 4503.564, 4503.576, 18

4503.591, 4503.67, 4503.68, 4503.69, 4503.701, 4503.71, 19  
4503.711, 4503.712, 4503.713, 4503.72, 4503.73, 4503.732, 20  
4503.74, 4503.75, 4503.751, 4503.85, 4503.87, 4503.89, 4503.90, 21  
4503.92, and 4503.94 of the Revised Code. 22

(B) The registrar shall pay the contributions the 23  
registrar collects in the fund as follows: 24

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 25  
pursuant to section 4503.491 of the Revised Code to the breast 26  
cancer fund of Ohio, which shall use that money only to pay for 27  
programs that provide assistance and education to Ohio breast 28  
cancer patients and that improve access for such patients to 29  
quality health care and clinical trials and shall not use any of 30  
the money for abortion information, counseling, services, or 31  
other abortion-related activities. 32

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 33  
receives pursuant to section 4503.492 of the Revised Code to the 34  
organization cancer support community central Ohio, which shall 35  
deposit the money into the Sheryl L. Kraner Fund of that 36  
organization. Cancer support community central Ohio shall expend 37  
the money it receives pursuant to this division only in the same 38  
manner and for the same purposes as that organization expends 39  
other money in that fund. 40

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 41  
pursuant to section 4503.493 of the Revised Code to the autism 42  
society of Ohio, which shall use the contributions for programs 43  
and autism awareness efforts throughout the state. 44

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 45  
receives pursuant to section 4503.494 of the Revised Code to the 46  
national multiple sclerosis society for distribution in equal 47

amounts to the northwestern Ohio, Ohio buckeye, and Ohio valley 48  
chapters of the national multiple sclerosis society. These 49  
chapters shall use the money they receive under this section to 50  
assist in paying the expenses they incur in providing services 51  
directly to their clients. 52

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 53  
receives pursuant to section 4503.496 of the Revised Code to the 54  
Ohio sickle cell and health association, which shall use the 55  
contributions to help support educational, clinical, and social 56  
support services for adults who have sickle cell disease. 57

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 58  
receives pursuant to section 4503.498 of the Revised Code to 59  
special olympics Ohio, inc., which shall use the contributions 60  
for its programs, charitable efforts, and other activities. 61

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 62  
receives pursuant to section 4503.499 of the Revised Code to the 63  
children's glioma cancer foundation, which shall use the 64  
contributions for its research and other programs. 65

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 66  
receives pursuant to section 4503.50 of the Revised Code to the 67  
future farmers of America foundation, which shall deposit the 68  
contributions into its general account to be used for 69  
educational and scholarship purposes of the future farmers of 70  
America foundation. 71

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 72  
receives pursuant to section 4503.501 of the Revised Code to the 73  
4-H youth development program of the Ohio state university 74  
extension program, which shall use those contributions to pay 75  
the expenses it incurs in conducting its educational activities. 76

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 77  
pursuant to section 4503.502 of the Revised Code to the Ohio 78  
cattlemen's foundation, which shall use those contributions for 79  
scholarships and other educational activities. 80

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 81  
pursuant to section 4503.505 of the Revised Code to the 82  
organization Ohio region phi theta kappa, which shall use those 83  
contributions for scholarships for students who are members of 84  
that organization. 85

The registrar shall pay each contribution the registrar 86  
receives pursuant to section 4503.51 of the Revised Code to the 87  
university or college whose name or marking or design appears on 88  
collegiate license plates that are issued to a person under that 89  
section. A university or college that receives contributions 90  
from the fund shall deposit the contributions into its general 91  
scholarship fund. 92

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 93  
receives pursuant to section 4503.522 of the Revised Code to the 94  
"friends of Perry's victory and international peace memorial, 95  
incorporated," a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws 96  
of this state, to assist that organization in paying the 97  
expenses it incurs in sponsoring or holding charitable, 98  
educational, and cultural events at the monument. 99

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 100  
receives pursuant to section 4503.523 of the Revised Code to the 101  
fairport lights foundation, which shall use the money to pay for 102  
the restoration, maintenance, and preservation of the 103  
lighthouses of fairport harbor. 104

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 105

receives pursuant to section 4503.524 of the Revised Code to the 106  
Massillon tiger football booster club, which shall use the 107  
contributions only to promote and support the football team of 108  
Washington high school of the Massillon city school district. 109

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 110  
receives pursuant to section 4503.525 of the Revised Code to the 111  
United States power squadron districts seven, eleven, twenty- 112  
four, and twenty-nine in equal amounts. Each power squadron 113  
district shall use the money it receives under this section to 114  
pay for the educational boating programs each district holds or 115  
sponsors within this state. 116

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 117  
receives pursuant to section 4503.526 of the Revised Code to the 118  
Ohio district Kiwanis foundation of the Ohio district of Kiwanis 119  
international, which shall use the money it receives under this 120  
section to pay the costs of its educational and humanitarian 121  
activities. 122

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 123  
receives pursuant to section 4503.531 of the Revised Code to the 124  
thank you foundation, incorporated, a nonprofit corporation 125  
organized under the laws of this state, to assist that 126  
organization in paying for the charitable activities and 127  
programs it sponsors in support of United States military 128  
personnel, veterans, and their families. 129

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 130  
receives pursuant to section 4503.534 of the Revised Code to the 131  
disabled American veterans department of Ohio, to be used for 132  
programs that serve disabled American veterans and their 133  
families. 134

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.

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.

The registrar shall pay to the Ohio pet fund 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 Ohio pet fund. The Ohio pet fund shall use the moneys it receives under this section to support programs for the sterilization of dogs and cats and for educational programs concerning the proper veterinary care of those animals, and for expenses of the Ohio pet fund that are reasonably necessary for it to obtain and maintain its tax-exempt status and to perform its duties.

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.552 of the Revised Code to the rock and roll hall of fame and museum, incorporated.

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.553 of the Revised Code to the Ohio coalition for animals, incorporated, a nonprofit

corporation. Except as provided in division (B) of this section, 165  
the coalition shall distribute the money to its members, and the 166  
members shall use the money only to pay for educational, 167  
charitable, and other programs of each coalition member that 168  
provide care for unwanted, abused, and neglected horses. The 169  
Ohio coalition for animals may use a portion of the money to pay 170  
for reasonable marketing costs incurred in the design and 171  
promotion of the license plate and for administrative costs 172  
incurred in the disbursement and management of funds received 173  
under this section. 174

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 175  
receives pursuant to section 4503.554 of the Revised Code to the 176  
Ohio state council of the knights of Columbus, which shall use 177  
the contributions to pay for its charitable activities and 178  
programs. 179

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 180  
receives pursuant to section 4503.561 of the Revised Code to the 181  
state of Ohio chapter of ducks unlimited, inc., which shall 182  
deposit the contributions into a special bank account that it 183  
establishes. The special bank account shall be separate and 184  
distinct from any other account the state of Ohio chapter of 185  
ducks unlimited, inc., maintains and shall be used exclusively 186  
for the purpose of protecting, enhancing, restoring, and 187  
managing wetlands and conserving wildlife habitat. The state of 188  
Ohio chapter of ducks unlimited, inc., annually shall notify the 189  
registrar in writing of the name, address, and account to which 190  
such payments are to be made. 191

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 192  
receives pursuant to section 4503.562 of the Revised Code to the 193  
Mahoning river consortium, which shall use the money to pay the 194

expenses it incurs in restoring and maintaining the Mahoning 195  
river watershed. 196

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 197  
receives pursuant to section 4503.564 of the Revised Code to 198  
Antioch college for the use of the Glen Helen ecology institute 199  
to pay expenses related to the Glen Helen nature preserve. 200

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 201  
receives pursuant to section 4503.576 of the Revised Code to the 202  
Ohio state beekeepers association, which shall use those 203  
contributions to promote beekeeping, provide educational 204  
information about beekeeping, and to support other state and 205  
local beekeeping programs. 206

The registrar shall pay to a sports commission created 207  
pursuant to section 4503.591 of the Revised Code each 208  
contribution the registrar receives under that section that an 209  
applicant pays to obtain license plates that bear the logo of a 210  
professional sports team located in the county of that sports 211  
commission and that is participating in the license plate 212  
program pursuant to division (E) of that section, irrespective 213  
of the county of residence of an applicant. 214

The registrar shall pay to a community charity each 215  
contribution the registrar receives under section 4503.591 of 216  
the Revised Code that an applicant pays to obtain license plates 217  
that bear the logo of a professional sports team that is 218  
participating in the license plate program pursuant to division 219  
(G) of that section. 220

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 221  
receives pursuant to section 4503.67 of the Revised Code to the 222  
Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council 223



shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner 224  
throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts. 225

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 226  
receives pursuant to section 4503.68 of the Revised Code to the 227  
great river council of the girl scouts of the United States of 228  
America. The council shall distribute all contributions in an 229  
equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of 230  
the girl scouts. 231

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 232  
receives pursuant to section 4503.69 of the Revised Code to the 233  
Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council 234  
shall distribute all contributions in an equitable manner 235  
throughout the state to regional councils of the boy scouts. 236

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 237  
receives pursuant to section 4503.701 of the Revised Code to the 238  
Prince Hall grand lodge of free and accepted masons of Ohio, 239  
which shall use the contributions for scholarship purposes. 240

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 241  
receives pursuant to section 4503.71 of the Revised Code to the 242  
fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall 243  
deposit the fees into its general account to be used for 244  
purposes of the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated. 245

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 246  
receives pursuant to section 4503.711 of the Revised Code to the 247  
fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall 248  
deposit the contributions into an account that it creates to be 249  
used for the purpose of advancing and protecting the law 250  
enforcement profession, promoting improved law enforcement 251  
methods, and teaching respect for law and order. 252

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 253  
pursuant to section 4503.712 of the Revised Code to Ohio 254  
concerns of police survivors, which shall use those 255  
contributions to provide whatever assistance may be appropriate 256  
to the families of Ohio law enforcement officers who are killed 257  
in the line of duty. 258

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 259  
pursuant to section 4503.713 of the Revised Code to the greater 260  
Cleveland peace officers memorial society, which shall use those 261  
contributions to honor law enforcement officers who have died in 262  
the line of duty and support its charitable purposes. 263

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 264  
receives pursuant to section 4503.72 of the Revised Code to the 265  
organization known on March 31, 2003, as the Ohio CASA/GAL 266  
association, a private, nonprofit corporation organized under 267  
Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code. The Ohio CASA/GAL association 268  
shall use these contributions to pay the expenses it incurs in 269  
administering a program to secure the proper representation in 270  
the courts of this state of abused, neglected, and dependent 271  
children, and for the training and supervision of persons 272  
participating in that program. 273

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 274  
receives pursuant to section 4503.73 of the Revised Code to 275  
Wright B. Flyer, incorporated, which shall deposit the 276  
contributions into its general account to be used for purposes 277  
of Wright B. Flyer, incorporated. 278

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 279  
receives pursuant to section 4503.732 of the Revised Code to the 280  
Siegel & Shuster society, a nonprofit organization dedicated to 281  
commemorating and celebrating the creation of Superman in 282

Cleveland, Ohio. 283

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 284  
receives pursuant to section 4503.74 of the Revised Code to the 285  
Columbus zoological park association, which shall disburse the 286  
moneys to Ohio's major metropolitan zoos, as defined in section 287  
4503.74 of the Revised Code, in accordance with a written 288  
agreement entered into by the major metropolitan zoos. 289

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 290  
receives pursuant to section 4503.75 of the Revised Code to the 291  
rotary foundation, located on March 31, 2003, in Evanston, 292  
Illinois, to be placed in a fund known as the permanent fund and 293  
used to endow educational and humanitarian programs of the 294  
rotary foundation. 295

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 296  
receives pursuant to section 4503.751 of the Revised Code to the 297  
Ohio association of realtors, which shall deposit the 298  
contributions into a property disaster relief fund maintained 299  
under the Ohio realtors charitable and education foundation. 300

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 301  
receives pursuant to section 4503.85 of the Revised Code to the 302  
Ohio sea grant college program to be used for Lake Erie area 303  
research projects. 304

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 305  
receives pursuant to section 4503.87 of the Revised Code to the 306  
Grove City little league dream field fund, which shall use those 307  
contributions solely to build, maintain, and improve youth 308  
baseball fields within the municipal corporation of Grove City. 309

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 310  
receives pursuant to section 4503.89 of the Revised Code to the 311

American red cross of greater Columbus on behalf of the Ohio 312  
chapters of the American red cross, which shall use the 313  
contributions for disaster readiness, preparedness, and response 314  
programs on a statewide basis. 315

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 316  
receives pursuant to section 4503.90 of the Revised Code to the 317  
nationwide children's hospital foundation. 318

The registrar shall pay the contributions received 319  
pursuant to section 4503.92 of the Revised Code to support our 320  
troops, incorporated, a national nonprofit corporation, which 321  
shall use those contributions in accordance with its articles of 322  
incorporation and for the benefit of servicemembers of the armed 323  
forces of the United States and their families when they are in 324  
financial need. 325

The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 326  
receives pursuant to section 4503.94 of the Revised Code to the 327  
Michelle's leading star foundation, which shall use the money 328  
solely to fund the rental, lease, or purchase of the simulated 329  
driving curriculum of the Michelle's leading star foundation by 330  
boards of education of city, exempted village, local, and joint 331  
vocational school districts. 332

(C) All investment earnings of the license plate 333  
contribution fund shall be credited to the fund. Not later than 334  
the first day of May of every year, the registrar shall 335  
distribute to each entity described in division (B) of this 336  
section the investment income the fund earned the previous 337  
calendar year. The amount of such a distribution paid to an 338  
entity shall be proportionate to the amount of money the entity 339  
received from the fund during the previous calendar year. 340

Sec. 4503.87. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger 341  
car, noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other 342  
vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles 343  
may apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle 344  
and issuance of "Baseball for All" license plates. An 345  
application made under this section may be combined with a 346  
request for a special reserved license plate under section 347  
4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the 348  
completed application and compliance by the applicant with 349  
divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the registrar shall issue 350  
to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration and a set 351  
of "Baseball for All" license plates and a validation sticker, 352  
or a validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 353  
of the Revised Code. 354

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily 355  
inscribed on the license plates, "Baseball for All" license 356  
plates shall be inscribed with the words "Baseball for All" and 357  
markings that are designed by the Grove City little league board 358  
and approved by the registrar. "Baseball for All" license plates 359  
shall display county identification stickers that identify the 360  
county of registration by name or number. 361

(B) "Baseball for All" license plates and a validation 362  
sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon 363  
receipt of a contribution as provided in division (C)(1) of this 364  
section and upon payment of the regular license tax as 365  
prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any 366  
applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. 367  
of the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee prescribed by 368  
section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, a bureau of 369  
motor vehicles administrative fee of ten dollars, and compliance 370  
with all other applicable laws relating to the registration of 371

motor vehicles. 372

(C) (1) For each application for registration and 373  
registration renewal notice the registrar receives under this 374  
section, the registrar shall collect a contribution of fifteen 375  
dollars. The registrar shall deposit this contribution into the 376  
state treasury to the credit of the license plate contribution 377  
fund created in section 4501.21 of the Revised Code. 378

(2) The registrar shall deposit the bureau of motor 379  
vehicles administrative fee of ten dollars, the purpose of which 380  
is to compensate the bureau for additional services required in 381  
the issuing of "Baseball for All" license plates, into the state 382  
treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor vehicles 383  
fund created in section 4501.25 of the Revised Code. 384

**Section 2.** That existing section 4501.21 of the Revised 385  
Code is hereby repealed. 386

**Section 3.** Section 4501.21 of the Revised Code is 387  
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended 388  
by Am. Sub. H.B. 23, Sub. H.B. 206, Am. H.B. 474, and Am. S.B. 389  
186, all of the 130th General Assembly. The General Assembly, 390  
applying the principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of 391  
the Revised Code that amendments are to be harmonized if 392  
reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds that the 393  
composite is the resulting version of the section in effect 394  
prior to the effective date of the section as presented in this 395  
act. 396