

Minutes

LOC for License Plates Committee
May 29, 2013
Alabama State House
Room 304

The LOC for License Plates met on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 304 in the Alabama State House. Senator Gerald Dial called the meeting to order and asked that the roll be called:

Members Present

Senator Dial
Senator Sanford
Senator Taylor
Representative Clouse
Michael Robinson Proxy for Col. Hugh McCall
Oline Price
Judge Ben Bowden
Andy Farquhar Non Voting member
Brenda Coone Non Voting member

Members Absent

Representative Ford
Representative Rogers
Maury Mitchell
Judge Alan King

Senator Dial announced there was a quorum present and welcomed members and guests. He then welcomed new committee member, Oline Price, Revenue Commissioner in Lee County who is replacing Judge Luke Cooley. Senator Dial then welcomed new member, Andy Farquhar from Corrections who is replacing Don Segrest.

Senator Sanford made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Representative Clouse seconded the motion.
Motion passed by voice vote

Senator Dial then began to discuss the “Mega Bill”, House Bill 215 or Act No 2013-298 passed in the 2013 Regular Session.

Senator Dial called on Brenda Coone from the Revenue Department to discuss HB215.

Brenda Coone discussed several parts of the bill:

Sections 3 and 4 took effect immediately

- Present ID for only one owner to renew tags
- Repeal 40-12-267 because it is obsolete

Code Sections take effect January 1, 2014

- Permit LOC to approve motorcycle applications
Only Quantity Class 2 – must sell 1000
- Out of state colleges and universities can apply for a distinctive license plate
- Allows for online ordering in the pre commitment phase
- Changes the distribution of proceeds from the National Guard Plate
- Allows Retired Volunteer Firefighters from other states that now live in Alabama to get a Retired Firefighter tag
- Provides for Law Enforcement License Plate

Brenda Coone gave a status report on organizations and where they are on their pre commitments.

Ben Bowden asked about the money for tags when the organization does not sell required number of tags.

Brenda Coone explained that the money goes back to the sponsoring organization and it is up to them whether to return the money to the individual or retain it.

Senator Dial noted that that was not law and strictly up to the sponsoring organization.

Senator Dial called for new business:

Reissue Application:

“Save the Cahaba” QC2

Sponsor: Cahaba River Society

Senator Taylor made motion to approve

Rep. Clouse seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the reissue application was approved

Revised Applications:

“Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.” QC1

Sponsor: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc

Asked to change from QC2 to QC1

Senator Taylor made motion to approve

Michael Robinson seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the revised application was approved

“Friends of Coal” QC1

Sponsor: Walker College Foundation

Asked to change from QC2 to QC1

Michael Robinson made motion to approve

Representative Clouse seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the revised application was approved

New Applications:

“Alabama Iron and Steel History” QC1

Sponsor: Alabama Historical Ironworks Commission

Secretary of State, Jim Bennett spoke

Rep. Clouse made motion to approve

Senator Sanford seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the application was approved

“Baldwin County” QC 2

Sponsor: Stockton Heritage Association, Inc.

Design problem was discussed

Senator Taylor made motion to approve

Rep. Clouse seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the application was approved

“Freshwater Fishing” QC 2

Sponsor: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Stan Cook

This tag will replace the “Take a Kid Fishing” tag

Ben Bowden questioned the partnership with Alabama Power.

Mr. Cook explained that the Conservation Foundation has been established and Alabama Power has deposited money into the Foundation to finance 1100 tags.

Rep. Clouse made motion to approve

Senator Sanford seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the application was approved

“Alabama Association of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority” QC 1

Sponsor: Alabama Association of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

Vivian Mavre

Rep. Clouse made motion to approve

Senator Sanford seconded the motion

The vote was unanimous and the application was approved

Senator Dial discussed plans to change the process to make and distribute tags.

Wants to create sub- committee to study ways to improve the process.

Wants to have legislation in the 2014 Regular Session and wants the legislation to come from the LOC on License Plates.

Senator Dial called for any further business

Seeing none meeting adjourned

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,



Senator Gerald Dial
Chairman