



## **H.B. 123**

123rd General Assembly

(As Reported by S. Highways & Transportation)

**Reps. Cates, Bender, Britton, Buchy, DePiero, Evans, Ford, Grendell, Jolivette, Jordan, Logan, Maier, Metzger, Mottley, O'Brien, Ogg, Pringle, Roman, Sullivan, Sulzer, Taylor, Terwilleger, Tiberi, Van Vyven, Vesper, Willamowski, Womer Benjamin, D. Miller, Stapleton, Carey, Callender, Schuler, Padgett, Coughlin, Jones, Jerse, Verich, Allen, Sutton, Calvert, Flannery, Householder, Hollister, Wilson, Opfer, Salerno, Amstutz, Barnes**

**Sens. Oelslager, Latta**

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### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Eliminates the additional \$10 fee that a person pays to compensate the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services when issuing license plates to those who served in certain combat zones or during certain wars and when renewing the registration of a motor vehicle bearing such license plates.

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### **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

#### ***Special license plates for veterans of the United States armed forces who served in certain combat zones or during certain wars***

Under current law, any person who served in the armed forces of the United States in Saudi Arabia or Kuwait during Operation Desert Storm or Operation Desert Shield, in Panama during the invasion, in Grenada during the invasion, in Lebanon during the invasion, during the Vietnam conflict, during the Korean conflict, during World War II, or during World War I, and who is on active duty or is an honorably discharged veteran may apply to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the registration of any passenger car, noncommercial motor vehicle, motor home, or other vehicle of a class approved by the Registrar the person owns or leases. The application must be accompanied by such written evidence of the applicant's service as the Registrar requires by rule. In the case of an honorably discharged veteran, the written evidence must include a copy of the applicant's DD-214 form or an equivalent document.

Upon receipt of an application for registration of a motor vehicle under these provisions, presentation of satisfactory evidence of military service as described above, payment of the regular license tax and any applicable local motor vehicle license tax, and payment of an additional fee of \$10, the Registrar is required to issue to the applicant the appropriate motor vehicle registration and a set of license plates and a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when so required by current law. In accordance with rules adopted by the Registrar, each license plate must be inscribed with identifying letters or numerals and the word "VETERAN." In addition, each license plate must be inscribed with a design and words indicating service in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Panama, Grenada, or Lebanon, or during the Vietnam conflict, the Korean conflict, World War II, or World War I. The purpose of the additional fee of \$10 is to compensate the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for additional services required in the issuing of these license plates. The Registrar transmits each such additional fee to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund.

The bill eliminates the requirement that an applicant for these special license plates pay the additional fee of \$10 when obtaining or renewing the license plates, and also the language relating to its disposition. (Sec. 4503.53.)

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## HISTORY

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