

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, NOVEMBER 2, 2005

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for special license plates for
3 recipients of medals for military service AND FOR EXEMPTION <—
4 OF PERSONS, ENTITIES AND VEHICLES FROM FEES.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 ~~Section 1. Section 1345 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania~~ <—
8 ~~Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:~~

9 SECTION 1. SECTIONS 1345 AND 1901(C) OF TITLE 75 OF THE <—
10 PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED TO READ:

11 § 1345. Special plates for recipients of the Medal of Honor,

12 Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Flying

13 Cross, Navy Cross, Air Force Cross or Silver Star. OR <—

14 AIR FORCE CROSS.

1 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the
2 Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished
3 Flying Cross, Navy Cross, ~~Air Force Cross or Silver Star~~, OR AIR <—
4 FORCE CROSS, the department shall issue to such person a special
5 registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as
6 belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Medal of Honor,
7 Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross, Navy
8 Cross OR Air Force Cross ~~or Silver Star~~. THE SPECIAL <—
9 REGISTRATION PLATE MAY BE USED ONLY ON A PASSENGER CAR OR TRUCK
10 WITH A REGISTERED GROSS WEIGHT OF NOT MORE THAN 10,000 POUNDS.
11 The plate shall have a light blue background interspersed with
12 13 white stars. The center of the plate shall bear a golden
13 bronze replica of the appropriate medal. The initials of each
14 recipient shall be embossed in red to the left of the medal and
15 the letters "CMH" (for Congressional Medal of Honor), "DSC" (for
16 Distinguished Service Cross), "DFS" (for Distinguished Flying
17 Cross), "NC" (for Navy Cross), ~~"AFC" (for Air Force Cross) or~~ <—
18 ~~"SS" (for Silver Star)~~ CROSS) OR "AFC" (FOR AIR FORCE CROSS) <—
19 shall be embossed in red to the right of the medal.

20 § 1901. EXEMPTION OF PERSONS, ENTITIES AND VEHICLES FROM FEES. <—

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22 (C) PROCESSING FEE IN LIEU OF REGISTRATION FEE.--NO
23 REGISTRATION FEE SHALL BE CHARGED FOR VEHICLES REGISTERED BY ANY
24 OF THE FOLLOWING BUT THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CHARGE A FEE OF \$10 TO
25 COVER THE COSTS OF PROCESSING FOR ISSUING OR RENEWING THE
26 REGISTRATION:

- 27 (1) HOSPITAL.
28 (2) HUMANE SOCIETY.
29 (3) NONPROFIT YOUTH CENTER.
30 (4) AMERICAN RED CROSS.

- 1 (5) CHURCH.
- 2 (6) GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA.
- 3 (7) BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.
- 4 (8) SALVATION ARMY.
- 5 (9) DULY CHARTERED POSTS OF NATIONAL VETERANS'
- 6 ORGANIZATIONS.
- 7 (10) YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.
- 8 (11) YOUNG MEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION.
- 9 (12) YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.
- 10 (13) YOUNG WOMEN'S HEBREW ASSOCIATION.
- 11 (14) JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER.
- 12 (15) NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS OF MUSICAL MARCHING GROUPS
- 13 OF YOUTHS.
- 14 (16) ANY PERSON WHO IS RETIRED AND RECEIVING SOCIAL
- 15 SECURITY OR OTHER PENSION AND WHOSE TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME DOES
- 16 NOT EXCEED \$19,200. UNLESS THE RETIRED PERSON IS PHYSICALLY
- 17 OR MENTALLY INCAPABLE OF DRIVING THE VEHICLE, THE RETIRED
- 18 PERSON SHALL BE THE PRINCIPAL DRIVER OF THE VEHICLE BUT MAY
- 19 FROM TIME TO TIME AUTHORIZE ANOTHER PERSON TO DRIVE THE
- 20 VEHICLE IN HIS OR HER STEAD.
- 21 (17) ANY VETERAN WHO LOST A LIMB OR EYE OR WHO BECAME
- 22 PARTIALLY PARALYZED WHILE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE
- 23 UNITED STATES.
- 24 (18) A PERSON WHO, AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF
- 25 THE UNITED STATES, WAS CAPTURED BY THE ENEMY DURING WORLD WAR
- 26 I, WORLD WAR II, THE KOREAN EMERGENCY, THE VIETNAM CONFLICT
- 27 OR IN A FUTURE ARMED CONFLICT FOR WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 28 DEFENSE AUTHORIZES A CAMPAIGN MEDAL.
- 29 (19) ANY PERSON WHO HAS BEEN AWARDED THE CONGRESSIONAL
- 30 MEDAL OF HONOR[.], DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS, DISTINGUISHED

1 FLYING CROSS, NAVY CROSS OR AIR FORCE CROSS.

2 (20) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHICH CARE FOR OR OTHERWISE
3 PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY OR THE INFIRM.

4 (21) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHICH PRINCIPALLY SERVE
5 MENTALLY OR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED OR DISABLED PERSONS.

6 (22) NONPROFIT MOBILE AVIATION MUSEUM.

7 (23) NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS THAT PROVIDE AMBULANCE OR
8 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

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10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.