THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 199 Session of 2007

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 5, 2007

AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for veterans' plates and placards.
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. Section 1342(a), (c) and (d) of Title 75 of the
7	Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:
8	§ 1342. Veteran plates and placard.
9	(a) Severely disabled veteran plateOn the application of
10	a veteran whose service-connected disability is certified at
11	100% by the service unit of the armed forces in which the
12	veteran served or by the United States Veterans' Administration
13	or who has a service-connected disability of the type enumerated
14	in section 1338 (relating to person with disability plate and
15	placard), the department shall issue a special registration
16	plate designating the vehicle as belonging to a severely

disabled veteran. The registration plate shall have a white 1 2 background, shall have blue numbers or letters as the department may determine, shall have the words, "disabled veteran," in at 3 4 least ten-point bold type, inscribed in red at the bottom of the 5 plate, and shall include the international symbol for access for persons with disabilities. Only one special registration plate 6 7 shall be issued to a veteran under this section. It may be used only on a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight 8 of not more than [9,000] <u>11,500</u> pounds. In the case of a 9 10 motorcycle, the department shall issue a decal containing the 11 international symbol for access for persons with disabilities and the words "disabled veteran" for display on the registration 12 13 plate.

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15 (c) Disabled veteran plates. -- On the application of any 16 veteran having a disability certified by the service unit of the 17 armed forces in which the veteran served or by the United States 18 Veterans' Administration as service-connected, the department shall issue a special registration plate designating the vehicle 19 20 as belonging to a disabled veteran. The registration plate shall 21 have a white background, shall have numbers or letters as the 22 department may determine and shall have the words "disabled veteran" in at least ten-point bold type inscribed at the bottom 23 24 of the plate. Only one special registration plate shall be 25 issued to a veteran under this section. It may be used only on a 26 passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not 27 more than [9,000] 11,500 pounds.

28 (d) Prisoner of war plate.--On the application of an ex-29 prisoner of war whose imprisonment while in the service of the 30 armed forces of the United States is certified by the 20070H0199B0233 -2 -

1 appropriate branch of the armed forces, the department shall issue a special registration plate designating the vehicle as 2 3 belonging to an ex-prisoner of war. The registration plate shall contain the letters "POW" and such other numbers or letters as 4 the department may determine and shall have the words "prisoner 5 of war" in at least ten-point bold type inscribed at the bottom 6 of the plate. Only one special registration plate shall be 7 8 issued to an ex-prisoner of war under this subsection. The special registration plate may be used only on a passenger car 9 or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than [9,000] 10 11 <u>11,500</u> pounds.

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- 13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.