VEHICLE CODE (75 PA.C.S.) - SPECIAL PLATES FOR RECIPIENTS OF PURPLE HEART, SPECIAL PLATES FOR RECIPIENTS OF LEGION OF MERIT AND USE AND DISPLAY OF ILLUMINATED SIGNS

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HB 1294

## AN ACT

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for special plates for recipients of Purple Heart and providing for special plates for recipients of Legion of Merit; and, in lighting equipment, further providing for use and display of illuminated signs.

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

Section 1. Section 1346 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read: § 1346. Special plates for recipients of Purple Heart.

Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the Purple Heart, the department shall issue to such person a special registration plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Purple Heart. A severely disabled veteran, as described in section 1342(a) (relating to veteran plates and placard), who is qualified to receive a plate under this section may also elect to receive a placard under section 1342(b). The special registration plate may be used only on a passenger car, motorcycle or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds.

Section 2. Title 75 is amended by adding a section to read: § 1368.3. Special plates for recipients of Legion of Merit.

Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the Legion of Merit, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which shall be in addition to the registration fee and any documentation the department requires, the department shall issue to the person a special registration plate designating the vehicle licensed as belonging to a person who is a recipient of the Legion of Merit. The special registration plate may be used only on a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds.

Section 3. Section 4307 of Title 75 is amended by adding a subsection to read: § 4307. Use and display of illuminated signs.

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(c.1) Transportation network company driver.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation to the contrary, but subject to 53 Pa.C.S. § 57A01 (relating to definitions), a Transportation Network Company Driver may display an illuminated sign provided by a Transportation Network Company within the interior of his or her vehicle so long as such sign is approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission or the Philadelphia Parking Authority, as applicable. The Transportation Network Company shall file the illuminated sign with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission for review and approval. If the PennsylvaniaPublic Utility Commission does not approve the illuminated sign, the

Philadelphia Parking Authority may approve the illuminated sign within their jurisdiction, after the Transportation Network Company files the illuminated sign with the Philadelphia Parking Authority for review and approval. The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and the Philadelphia Parking Authority shall each have 15 business days to review the illuminated sign, as applicable.

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- Section 4. This act shall take effect as follows:
- (1) The amendment or addition of sections 1346 and 1368.3 shall take effect in 120 days.
- (2) The addition of section  $43\overline{07}$  (c.1) shall take effect in 60 days.
  - (3) This section shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED--The 24th day of October, A.D. 2018.

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