

1 HB420  
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, a disabled veteran whose  
9 physical disability exceeds 50 percent or whose  
10 physical disability requires his or her motor  
11 vehicle to be equipped with special mechanical  
12 control devices, upon proper application, may  
13 receive a disabled veteran distinctive motor  
14 vehicle tag for a fee of five dollars.

15 This bill would provide that a veteran who  
16 has been determined by the Veteran's Administration  
17 to be 100 percent permanently and totally disabled  
18 based on a service-connected disability and who  
19 applies for the disabled veteran distinctive motor  
20 vehicle tag would be exempt from all license fees  
21 and ad valorem taxes on the motor vehicle.

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23 A BILL  
24 TO BE ENTITLED  
25 AN ACT  
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1           To amend Section 32-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975, to  
2 provide that a veteran who is determined by the Veteran's  
3 Administration to be 100 percent permanently and totally  
4 disabled based on a service-connected disability may receive  
5 the disabled veteran distinctive motor vehicle tag at no cost  
6 for license fees and ad valorem taxes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

8           Section 1. Section 32-6-130, Code of Alabama 1975,  
9 is amended to read as follows:

10           "§32-6-130.

11           "(a) Any veteran, as defined in Section 31-5-1, who  
12 is a resident of this state and who is suffering a physical  
13 disability which requires that any motor vehicle he or she  
14 operates be equipped with special mechanical control devices  
15 or whose physical disability exceeds 50 percent, upon  
16 application accompanied by proof of eligibility to the judge  
17 of probate or other license issuing official of the county for  
18 the special license plates provided herein, as may be  
19 prescribed by the State Department of Revenue, and upon  
20 payment of five dollars (\$5), unless exempted from the payment  
21 of such fee by law, shall be issued license plates, by the  
22 judge of probate or other license issuing official as provided  
23 by law, for private or pleasure motor vehicles, upon which, in  
24 lieu of the number now prescribed by law shall be inscribed in  
25 legible letters the words, "Disabled Veteran," and shall  
26 designate the branch of service and an identifying number as  
27 prescribed by the State Department of Revenue. The plates

1 shall not be transferable. The fee established by this ~~section~~  
2 subsection shall be in lieu of the regular license fee now  
3 required for motor vehicles and shall be used to defray the  
4 cost of issuing the distinctive license plates.

5 "(b) In addition to any other benefits provided by  
6 law, any veteran, as defined in Section 31-5-1, who is a  
7 resident of this state, who has been determined by the  
8 Veteran's Administration to be 100 percent permanently and  
9 totally disabled based on a service-connected disability, and  
10 who applies for a disabled veterans motor vehicle license  
11 plate, upon proof of eligibility to the judge of probate or  
12 other license issuing official, shall be exempt from all  
13 license fees and ad valorem taxes for a distinctive disabled  
14 veteran license plate on one motor vehicle."

15 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
16 first day of the third month following its passage and  
17 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.