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Introduction and first reading  
Referred to Transportation

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transportation; authorizing Legion of Merit special license plates;  
1.3 proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 168.  
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. [168.1245] SPECIAL PLATES FOR LEGION OF MERIT RECIPIENTS.

1.6 Subdivision 1. Issuance and design. (a) The commissioner shall issue special plates  
1.7 bearing the inscription "LEGION OF MERIT" to an applicant who:

1.8 (1) is a recipient of the Legion of Merit;

1.9 (2) is a registered owner of a passenger automobile, motorcycle, or recreational vehicle;

1.10 and

1.11 (3) complies with this chapter and rules governing the registration of motor vehicles and  
1.12 licensing of drivers.

1.13 (b) The special plates must be of a design and size determined by the commissioner.

1.14 Only one set of plates, or a single plate in the case of a motorcycle, bearing the inscription  
1.15 "LEGION OF MERIT" may be issued for each qualified applicant.

1.16 Subd. 2. Application. Application for issuance of these plates may be made only at the  
1.17 time of renewal or first application for registration.

1.18 Subd. 3. No fee. The commissioner shall issue a set of Legion of Merit plates to qualified  
1.19 applicants free of charge, and the plates must be replaced without charge if they become  
1.20 damaged. In addition, no fee may be charged for a subsequent year when a motor vehicle  
1.21 listed in subdivision 1 on which the Legion of Merit plates are placed is reregistered under

2.1 section 168.017. The motor vehicle must be for personal use and not for commercial  
2.2 purposes.

2.3 Subd. 4. **Transfer.** Notwithstanding section 168.12, subdivision 1, Legion of Merit  
2.4 plates issued under this section may be transferred to another personal motor vehicle  
2.5 registered to the Legion of Merit recipient upon notification to the commissioner.