

**SENATE
STATE OF MINNESOTA
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S.F. No. 731

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DATE 01/25/2023 D-PG Introduction and first reading OFFICIAL STATUS Referred to Transportation

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to motor vehicles; clarifying requirements for certain veterans' license
1.3 plates; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 168.1235, subdivision 1;
1.4 168.1253, subdivision 3.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1235, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. **General requirements; fees.** (a) The commissioner shall issue a special
1.8 plate emblem for each plate to an applicant who:

1.9 (1) is a member of a congressionally chartered veterans service organization and is a
1.10 registered owner of a passenger automobile, pickup truck, van, or self-propelled recreational
1.11 vehicle;

1.12 (2) pays the registration tax required by law;

1.13 (3) pays a fee in the amount specified for special plates under section 168.12, subdivision
1.14 5, for each set of two plates, and any other fees required by this chapter; and

1.15 (4) complies with this chapter and rules governing the registration of motor vehicles and
1.16 licensing of drivers.

1.17 (b) The additional fee is payable at the time of initial application for the special plate
1.18 emblem and when the plates must be replaced or renewed. An applicant must not be issued
1.19 more than two sets of special plate emblems for motor vehicles listed in paragraph (a) and
1.20 registered to the applicant.

1.21 (c) The applicant must present a valid card indicating membership in the American
1.22 Legion ~~or~~, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or Disabled American Veterans.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 168.1253, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 3. **No fee.** The commissioner shall issue a set of Gold Star plates, or a single plate
2.3 for a motorcycle, to an eligible person free of charge, and shall replace the plate or plates
2.4 without charge if they become damaged. If the eligible person requests personalized Gold
2.5 Star plates, the commissioner must not charge the fees listed in section 168.12, subdivision
2.6 2a.