

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2301

Sponsor: SENATOR LANGERHOLC

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of
2 said lines and inserting

3 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
4 Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for
5 special plates for recipients of Expeditionary Forces Medal,
6 providing for special plates for recipients of Global War on
7 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, further providing for
8 Distracted Driving Awareness plate, for special motorcycle
9 plates related to veterans and for special plates for
10 veterans and providing for special plates for recipients of
11 Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal; and, in fees, further
12 providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles
13 from fees.

14 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 6 through 12, by striking out all
15 of said lines and inserting

16 Section 1. Section 1356 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
17 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
18 § 1356. Special plates for recipients of Expeditionary Forces
19 Medal.

20 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the
21 Expeditionary Forces Medal, accompanied by a fee of \$20 which
22 shall be in addition to the [annual] registration fee and by
23 such documentation as the department shall require, the
24 department shall issue to such person a special registration
25 plate designating the vehicle so registered as belonging to a
26 person who is a recipient of the Expeditionary Forces Medal[.],
27 except as provided under section 1356.1 (relating to special
28 plates for recipients of Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary
29 Medal). The special registration plate may be used only on a
30 passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not
31 more than 14,000 pounds. The special registration plate shall
32 bear the Expeditionary Forces Medal.

33 Section 2. Title 75 is amended by adding a section to read:
34 § 1356.1. Special plates for recipients of Global War on
35 Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.

36 Upon application of any person who is a recipient of the

1 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, accompanied by a
2 fee of \$26 which shall be in addition to the registration fee
3 and any documentation the department requires, the department
4 shall issue to the person a special registration plate
5 designating the vehicle licensed as belonging to a person who is
6 a recipient of the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.
7 The special registration plate may be used only on a passenger
8 car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than
9 14,000 pounds. The special registration plate shall bear the
10 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal.

11 Section 3. Sections 1358.2(b) and 1361 of Title 75 are
12 amended to read:

13 § 1358.2. Distracted Driving Awareness plate.

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15 [(b) Expiration.--This section shall expire December 31,
16 2025.]

17 § 1361. Special motorcycle plates related to veterans.

18 (a) [Honorably discharged veterans.--Upon application of any
19 person who is an honorably discharged veteran of the armed
20 forces of the United States, or a reserve component of the armed
21 forces as defined in 51 Pa.C.S. § 7301 (relating to
22 definitions), accompanied by a fee of \$20] Veterans.--Upon
23 application of any person who is a veteran as defined under 51
24 Pa.C.S. § 7101.2 (relating to definitions), accompanied by a fee
25 of \$26 which shall be in addition to the [annual] registration
26 fee and by such documentation as the department shall require,
27 the department shall issue to the person a special registration
28 plate designating the vehicle as belonging to a person who is a
29 veteran. The special registration plate may be used only on a
30 motorcycle.

31 (a.1) Women veterans.--Upon application of any woman who is
32 a veteran as defined under 51 Pa.C.S. § 7101.2, accompanied by a
33 fee of \$26 which shall be in addition to the registration fee
34 and by such documentation as the department shall require, the
35 department shall issue to the person a special registration
36 plate designating the vehicle as belonging to a person who is a
37 woman veteran. The special registration plate may be used only
38 on a motorcycle.

39 (b) Honoring our veterans.--Upon application of any person,
40 accompanied by a fee of [\$35] \$41 which shall be in addition to
41 the [annual] registration fee and by such documentation as the
42 department shall require, the department shall issue to the
43 person a special registration plate designating the motorcycle
44 as belonging to a person who is honoring veterans of the armed
45 forces of the United States. The special registration plate may
46 be used only on a motorcycle. The Veterans' Trust Fund shall
47 receive \$15 of the fee paid by the applicant for the plate.

48 (c) Honoring our women veterans.--Upon application of any
49 person, accompanied by a fee of \$41, which shall be in addition
50 to the registration fee and by such documentation as the
51 department shall require, the department shall issue to the

1 person a special registration plate designating the vehicle as
2 belonging to a person who is honoring women veterans of the
3 armed forces of the United States. The special registration
4 plate may be used only on a motorcycle. The Veterans' Trust Fund
5 shall receive \$15 of the fee paid by the applicant for the
6 plate. The portion of the fee transferred to the Veterans' Trust
7 Fund under this subsection shall be used for programs and
8 resources that assist women veterans.

9 Section 4. Section 1364(a) of Title 75 is amended and the
10 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

11 § 1364. Special plates for veterans.

12 (a) [Honorably discharged veterans.--Upon application of any
13 person who is an honorably discharged veteran of the armed
14 forces of the United States or a reserve component of the armed
15 forces as defined in 51 Pa.C.S. § 7301 (relating to
16 definitions), accompanied by a fee of \$20] Veterans.--Upon
17 application of any person who is a veteran as defined under 51
18 Pa.C.S. § 7101.2 (relating to definitions), accompanied by a fee
19 of \$26 which shall be in addition to the [annual] registration
20 fee and by such documentation as the department shall require,
21 the department shall issue to the person a special registration
22 plate designating the vehicle as belonging to a person who is a
23 veteran [of the armed forces of the United States]. The special
24 registration plate may be used only on a passenger car or truck
25 with a registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds.

26 (a.1) Women veterans.--Upon application of any woman who is
27 a veteran as defined under 51 Pa.C.S. § 7101.2, accompanied by a
28 fee of \$26 which shall be in addition to the registration fee
29 and by such documentation as the department shall require, the
30 department shall issue to the person a special registration
31 plate designating the vehicle as belonging to a person who is a
32 woman veteran. The special registration plate may be used only
33 on a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of
34 not more than 14,000 pounds.

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36 Section 5. Title 75 is amended by adding a section to read:
37 § 1368.4. Special plates for recipients of Borinqueneers
38 Congressional Gold Medal.

39 (a) Issuance.--Upon application of a person who is a
40 recipient of the Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal,
41 accompanied by a fee of \$26 which shall be in addition to the
42 registration fee and any documentation the department requires,
43 the department shall issue to the person a special registration
44 plate designating the vehicle so licensed as belonging to a
45 person who is a recipient of the Borinqueneers Congressional
46 Gold Medal.

47 (b) Limitation.--A special registration plate under this
48 section may be used only on a passenger car or truck with a
49 registered gross weight of not more than 14,000 pounds.

50 (c) Design.--The department shall design and produce the
51 special registration plate under this section to display the

1 Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal emblem and the words
2 "Borinqueneers Congressional Gold Medal" at the bottom of each
3 plate. Each special registration plate under this section that
4 is not personalized shall also include the letter "B" as a
5 prefix or suffix to the numerals on the special registration
6 plate.

7 Section 6. Section 1901(c) and (d)(2) of Title 75 are
8 amended and subsection (b) is amended by adding paragraphs to
9 read:

10 § 1901. Exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees.

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12 (b) Title and registration fees.--No fee shall be charged
13 for titling or registration of any of the following:

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15 (6) Vehicles registered to a veteran who lost a limb or
16 eye or who became partially paralyzed while serving in the
17 armed forces of the United States.

18 (7) Vehicles registered to a person who, as a member of
19 the armed forces of the United States, was captured by the
20 enemy in any armed conflict for which the Department of
21 Defense authorizes a campaign medal.

22 (8) Vehicles registered to a person who has been awarded
23 the Congressional Medal of Honor or the Purple Heart.

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25 (c) Processing fee in lieu of registration fee.--No
26 registration fee shall be charged for vehicles registered by any
27 of the following but the department shall charge a fee of \$10 to
28 cover the costs of processing for issuing or renewing the
29 registration:

- 30 (1) Hospital.
- 31 (2) Humane society.
- 32 (3) Nonprofit youth center.
- 33 (4) American Red Cross.
- 34 (5) Church.
- 35 (6) Girl Scouts of America.
- 36 (7) Boy Scouts of America.
- 37 (8) Salvation Army.
- 38 (9) Duly chartered posts of national veterans'
- 39 organizations.
- 40 (10) Young Men's Christian Association.
- 41 (11) Young Men's Hebrew Association.
- 42 (12) Young Women's Christian Association.
- 43 (13) Young Women's Hebrew Association.
- 44 (14) Jewish Community Center.
- 45 (15) Nonprofit corporations of musical marching groups
- 46 of youths.

47 (16) [Any] (i) Subject to adjustment under subparagraph
48 (ii), a person who is retired and receiving social
49 security or other pension and whose total annual income
50 does not exceed [\$19,200] \$29,906. Unless the retired
51 person is physically or mentally incapable of driving the

1 vehicle, the retired person shall be the principal driver
2 of the vehicle but may from time to time authorize
3 another person to drive the vehicle in his or her stead.

4 (ii) Beginning the first day of January following
5 the year of the effective date of this subparagraph and
6 each January 1 thereafter, the maximum total annual
7 income amount in subparagraph (i) shall be fixed annually
8 by the department based upon the maximum amount in the
9 prior year as adjusted to reflect the change in the
10 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for
11 the United States for all items as published by the
12 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
13 Statistics, for the previous 12-month period. The maximum
14 amount as adjusted shall be rounded to the nearest
15 multiple of \$1. The department shall transmit notice of
16 the new maximum amount to the Legislative Reference
17 Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

18 [(17) Any veteran who lost a limb or eye or who became
19 partially paralyzed while serving in the armed forces of the
20 United States.

21 (18) A person who, as a member of the armed forces of
22 the United States, was captured by the enemy during World War
23 I, World War II, the Korean Emergency, the Vietnam Conflict
24 or in a future armed conflict for which the Department of
25 Defense authorizes a campaign medal.

26 (19) Any person who has been awarded the Congressional
27 Medal of Honor.]

28 (20) Nonprofit organizations which care for or otherwise
29 provide services for the elderly or the infirm.

30 (21) Nonprofit organizations which principally serve
31 mentally or physically handicapped or disabled persons.

32 (22) Nonprofit mobile aviation museum.

33 (23) Nonprofit corporations that provide ambulance or
34 emergency medical services.

35 (d) Limitations.--

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37 (2) Only one passenger car or truck with a registered
38 gross weight of not more than 9,000 pounds may be registered
39 to any person under the provisions of subsection (b) (4), (6),
40 (7) and (8) and subsection (c) (16) [, (17), (18) and (19)].

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42 Section 7. This act shall take effect as follows:

43 (1) The amendment or addition of 75 Pa.C.S. §§ 1356,
44 1356.1, 1361, 1364(a) and (a.1) and 1368.4 shall take effect
45 in 120 days.

46 (2) The amendment or addition of 75 Pa.C.S. § 1901(b)
47 (6), (7) and (8), (c) and (d) (2) shall take effect in five
48 months.

49 (3) The remainder of this act shall take effect
50 immediately.