

SENATE BILL NO. 17—SENATORS WIENER AND CARE

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Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to certain special license plates for veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States. (BDR 43-68)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; increasing the number of sets of special license plates that may be issued to certain qualified veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, qualified Nevada motorists who are survivors of the attack on Pearl Harbor, disabled veterans, ex-prisoners of war and recipients of the Purple Heart are authorized to apply for and receive one set of license plates commemorating those particular classifications. (NRS 482.3765, 482.377, 482.3775) This bill authorizes those motorists to apply for and receive an additional set of license plates commemorating their status. This change is consistent with existing law which authorizes qualified Nevada motorists who have received the Congressional Medal of Honor to apply for and receive two sets of license plates commemorating their receipt of the Medal. (NRS 482.378)

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 482.3765 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:
3 482.3765 1. **[A person who qualifies pursuant to this section**
4 **may register one passenger car or light commercial vehicle having a**



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1 ~~manufacturer's rated carrying capacity of 1 ton or less, for his own~~
2 ~~personal use.] A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States~~
3 who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, is
4 entitled to ~~[a]~~ specially designed license ~~[plate]~~ plates inscribed with
5 the words "PEARL HARBOR VETERAN" or "PEARL HARBOR
6 SURVIVOR," at the option of the ~~[person who qualifies pursuant to~~
7 ~~this section.] veteran,~~ and three or four consecutive numbers.

8 2. *Each person who qualifies for special license plates*
9 *pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of*
10 *plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an*
11 *additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different*
12 *number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant.*
13 *Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used*
14 *only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a*
15 *motor home.*

16 3. The Department shall issue ~~[a]~~ specially designed license
17 ~~[plate]~~ plates for persons qualified pursuant to this section who
18 submit an application on a form prescribed by the Department and
19 evidence of their status as a survivor required by the Department.

20 ~~3.]~~ 4. If , during a registration year, the holder of a *set of*
21 *special [plate] license plates* issued pursuant to this section disposes
22 of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, ~~he shall retain the~~
23 ~~plates and:~~

24 ~~(a) Affix]~~ *the holder shall:*

25 ~~(a) Retain the plates and affix~~ them to another vehicle which
26 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
27 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
28 transfers; or

29 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
30 return them to the Department.

31 ~~4.]~~ 5. The fee for ~~[the special license plate]~~ *a set of special*
32 *license plates issued pursuant to this section* is \$25, in addition to
33 all other applicable registration and license fees and governmental
34 services taxes. The annual fee for a renewal sticker *for a set of*
35 *special license plates issued pursuant to this section* is \$5.

36 Sec. 2. NRS 482.377 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 482.377 1. ~~[A person who qualifies pursuant to this section~~
38 ~~may register one passenger car or light commercial vehicle having a~~
39 ~~manufacturer's rated carrying capacity of one ton or less, for his~~
40 ~~own personal use.] A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United~~
41 States who, as a result of his service:



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1 (a) Has suffered a 100-percent service-connected disability and
2 who receives compensation from the United States for his disability,
3 is entitled to [a] specially designed license [plate] plates inscribed
4 with the words DISABLED VETERAN and three or four
5 consecutive numbers.

6 (b) Has been captured and held prisoner by a military force of a
7 foreign nation, is entitled to [a] specially designed license [plate]
8 plates inscribed with the words ex-PRISONER OF WAR and three
9 or four consecutive numbers.

10 2. *Each person who qualifies for special license plates
11 pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of
12 plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an
13 additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different
14 number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant.
15 Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used
16 only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a
17 motor home.*

18 3. The Department shall issue [a] specially designed license
19 [plate] plates for persons qualified pursuant to this section who
20 submit an application on a form prescribed by the Department and
21 evidence of disability or former imprisonment required by the
22 Department.

23 [3.] 4. A vehicle on which license plates issued by the
24 Department pursuant to this section are displayed is exempt from
25 the payment of any parking fees, including those collected through
26 parking meters, charged by the State or any political subdivision or
27 other public body within the State, other than the United States.

28 [4.] 5. If , during a registration year, the holder of a *set of*
29 special [plate] license plates issued pursuant to this section disposes
30 of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, ~~he shall retain the~~
31 ~~plates and:~~

32 —(a) ~~Affix~~ the holder shall:

33 (a) *Retain the plates and affix* them to another vehicle which
34 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
35 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
36 transfers; or

37 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
38 return them to the Department.

39 Sec. 3. NRS 482.3775 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 482.3775 1. ~~[A person who qualifies pursuant to this section
41 may register one passenger car or light commercial vehicle having a
42 manufacturer's rated carrying capacity of 1 ton or less, for his own
43 personal use.]~~ A veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States
44 who was awarded the Purple Heart is entitled to [a] specially



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1 designed license ~~[plate which indicates]~~ plates which indicate that
2 he is a recipient of the Purple Heart.

3 2. *Each person who qualifies for special license plates*
4 *pursuant to this section may apply for not more than two sets of*
5 *plates. If the person applies for a second set of plates for an*
6 *additional vehicle, the second set of plates must have a different*
7 *number than the first set of plates issued to the same applicant.*
8 *Special license plates issued pursuant to this section may be used*
9 *only on a private passenger vehicle, a noncommercial truck or a*
10 *motor home.*

11 3. The Department shall issue ~~[a]~~ specially designed license
12 ~~[plate]~~ plates for any person qualified pursuant to this section who
13 submits an application on a form prescribed by the Department and
14 evidence of his status as a recipient of the Purple Heart as required
15 by the Department. The Department may designate any appropriate
16 colors for the special plates.

17 ~~3.]~~ 4. If, during a registration year, the holder of a *set of*
18 special ~~[plate]~~ *license plates* issued pursuant to the provisions of this
19 section disposes of the vehicle to which the plates are affixed, ~~The~~
20 ~~shall retain the plates and:~~

21 —(a) ~~Affix~~ the holder shall:

22 (a) *Retain the plates and affix* them to another vehicle which
23 meets the requirements of this section and report the change to the
24 Department in accordance with the procedure set forth for other
25 transfers; or

26 (b) Within 30 days after removing the plates from the vehicle,
27 return them to the Department.

28 ~~4.]~~ 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, no fee
29 in addition to the applicable registration and license fees and
30 governmental services taxes may be charged for the issuance or
31 renewal of *a set of* special license plates ~~[issued]~~ pursuant to this
32 section. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,
33 stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of
34 replacement license plates from the Department for a fee of \$5.

