

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 277—ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON; BENITEZ-THOMPSON, BUSTAMANTE ADAMS, CARLTON, DIAZ, DONDERO LOOP, FLORES, MASTROLUCA, NEAL, PIERCE AND WOODBURY (BY REQUEST)

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS HALSETH, LESLIE; BREEDEN, CEGAVSKE, COPENING AND WIENER

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for special license plates honoring female veterans. (BDR 43-810)

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.

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AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles, with respect to special license plates for the support of outreach programs and services for veterans and their families, to make such plates available to female veterans with an optional image representative of female veterans; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles to order the preparation of special license plates for the support of outreach programs and services for veterans and their families. These special license plates are available to veterans of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States, a reserve component thereof or the National Guard, or the spouse, parent or child of such a veteran. (NRS 482.3763) **Section 4** of this bill requires the Department to make the plates available: (1) to female veterans; and (2) with an optional image representative of female veterans. The fees for the initial issuance and renewal of the optional version of the special license plates for the support of outreach programs and services for veterans and their families are the same as for the regular version.

Under existing law, new special license plates authorized by an act of the Legislature typically are subject to all of the following: (1) approval or disapproval



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14 by the Commission on Special License Plates; (2) the limitation on the number of  
15 separate designs of special license plates that may be issued by the Department at  
16 any one time; and (3) the requirement that the Department receive at least 1,000  
17 applications for the issuance of the plate within 2 years after the effective date of  
18 the act of the Legislature. (NRS 482.367004, 482.367008, 482.36705) The optional  
19 special license plates for female veterans are exempt from all three of the preceding  
20 requirements because the plates are simply an optional version of existing special  
21 license plates for veterans.

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

1      **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2      **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

3      **Sec. 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

4      **Sec. 4.** NRS 482.3763 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5      482.3763 1. The Director shall order the preparation of  
6 special license plates for the support of outreach programs and  
7 services for veterans and their families and establish procedures for  
8 the application for and issuance of the plates.

9      2. The Department shall, upon application therefor and  
10 payment of the prescribed fees, issue special license plates for the  
11 support of outreach programs and services for veterans and their  
12 families to:

13     (a) A veteran of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or  
14 Coast Guard of the United States, a reserve component thereof or  
15 the National Guard; ~~or~~

16     (b) *A female veteran; or*

17     (c) The spouse, parent or child of a person described in  
18 paragraph (a) ~~or~~ *or (b).*

19     ➔ The plates must be inscribed with the word "VETERAN" and  
20 with the seal of the branch of the Armed Forces of the United States  
21 , ~~or~~ the seal of the National Guard ~~or~~ *or an image representative*  
22 *of the female veterans*, as applicable, requested by the applicant. A  
23 person may request that personalized prestige license plates issued  
24 pursuant to NRS 482.3667 be combined with special license plates  
25 for the support of outreach programs and services for veterans and  
26 their families if that person pays the fees for the personalized  
27 prestige license plates in addition to the fees for the special license  
28 plates for the support of outreach programs and services for veterans  
29 and their families pursuant to subsection 4.

30     3. If, during a registration year, the holder of special plates  
31 issued pursuant to this section disposes of the vehicle to which the  
32 plates are affixed, the holder shall:

33     (a) Retain the plates and affix them to another vehicle which  
34 meets the requirements of this section if the holder pays the fee for



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1 the transfer of the registration and any registration fee or  
2 governmental services tax due pursuant to NRS 482.399; or

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

5 4. In addition to all other applicable registration and license  
6 fees and governmental services taxes, and to the special fee imposed  
7 pursuant to NRS 482.3764 for the support of outreach programs and  
8 services for veterans and their families, the fee for:

9 (a) The initial issuance of the special license plates is \$35.  
10 (b) The annual renewal sticker is \$10.

11 5. If the special plates issued pursuant to this section are lost,  
12 stolen or mutilated, the owner of the vehicle may secure a set of  
13 replacement license plates from the Department for a fee of \$10.

14 **Sec. 5.** The Nevada Veterans' Services Commission, created  
15 by NRS 417.150, shall provide an image representative of female  
16 veterans to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the purposes of  
17 NRS 482.3763, as amended by section 4 of this act.

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